

Turlock Parent
Participation
Nursery School
NEWSLETTER

October 2023



Giving Thanks!!

We have a lot of positive changes happening at school this month! Our little non-profit has received a very generous grant of \$80,000 from the Marin Community Foundation Covington Family Fund, Dennis and Candida Covington (Nana and Papa to

Finn and Sawyer Perkins). Projects were approved at our last board meeting, September 23rd, and the wheels are in motion! A huge thank you to Dennis and Candida Covington, Breanne & Matt Perkins and the MCF!



NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

We have wrapped up our first week of fire and rescue! You can ask your child what to do if their clothes catch fire or what phone number to call in an emergency. You can also show them how to access the emergency call screen on your phone. Another activity to do as a family is to talk about what to do in your home if you had a fire or emergency. **Make an exit plan and pick a spot in your yard or a neighbors house to meet.**

Dates to Remember

10/2 - 10/6 Fire and Rescue

10/5 - Fundraising Committee Meeting 5pm location TBD

10/16 No School TUSD in service

10/12 & 10/13 Pumpkin Patch Field Trips 10am

10/9 - 10/20 Spiders & Insects

10/23 - 11/3 Nocturnal Animals

10/19 5:15 p.m. Board Meeting (location TBA)

10/30 & 10/31 Class Halloween Parties

11/10 No School, Veteran's Day

11/18 - 11/26 Thanksgiving Break. (We Follow the TUSD Calendar)

Child of the Week

10/2 Louis Harvey

10/15 Ellie Wenger

10/22 Jace Sloan

10/29 Ensley Northcutt



Field Trip Information

A \$10 cash or venmo donation is appreciated. Each child will get to pick out a pumpkin and plant broccoli to harvest in Feb/Mar.

Pumpkin Patch Field Trip

Schedule:

9:00 Children arrive at school and proceed with the regular open play

9:30 Working parents, approved drivers and children at school will load vehicles and proceed to the Fruit Barn

At 4342 Geer Rd, Hughson, CA

9:50 All parents and children will meet at the front right hand side of the pond to prepare for our tour. There should be a sign that says TNS.

10:00 - 11:00 Guided tour and activities with a Fruit Barn employee

11:15 Snack on the lawn by the pond. Followed by playground time.

11:40 Gather and return to school for pick up and lunch.

Q. Can I meet you at the Fruit Barn?

A. Yes (if it is not your workday), just let teacher Jaime know your plans

Q. Can I leave from the Fruit Barn?

A. Yes, Please let Teacher Jaime know your plans

Q. I cannot attend and need a ride for my child.

A. Teacher Jaime will arrange a ride with an approved parent driver. Please leave your car seat.



Photographs in the Classroom

A Gentle Reminder: please be respectful during your workday and ask children if they would like a photo taken. If the shot is candid, be sure not to interrupt organic play.

Thank You!



CLASS HALLOWEEN PARTIES

Mon. 10/30 &
Tues. 10/31

We will have regularly scheduled classroom time in the morning with a few added special activities (like face painting) in some of our centers.

Children may wear their costumes to school (no scary masks please). If you choose to bring goodie bags, **no food/candy items please**. Children can pass out items during the first circle and we will bag them to bring home.

Fundraising Committee News

Thank you to Gina Davis with *Gina G. Photography* for our beautiful picture day photos! We have heard nothing but positive feedback and we appreciate the extra time for candid and silly shots. We earned \$455 that can go to extra expenses such as field trips and Santa Celebration.

Next Fundraising Committee meeting is scheduled for 10/5/23. Location TBD Contact Gabby Harvey at 209-678-3633 or vicepresident.tns@gmail.com

September Work Party

A big thank you to the Craig family for placing posts, and the Arceneaux family, Johnson family and the Shackelford family for tackling some very heavy sand moving and distributing on our school playground!

Another thank you to Teri and Pete Gaarde (Lacey's Grandparents) for their generous donation of 5 yards of sand to our sandbox and playground!

Contact Emilee Shackelford at tns.workparty@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to volunteer for a project.

Our next project we need volunteers for is to rototill and level our grass play area.

