

Tam Preschool Newsletter: March 2026

Spring Parent Teacher Conferences: Thank you all in advance for making the time to meet with your child's Lead Teacher. They will be sending conference sign up information at the end of the month. Conferences will be in person at the end of April and early May.

Fall 2026 Registration:

Registered families will receive final registration information in Brightwheel this coming week and it will be due on March 9th. The registration packet will include: The Fall Admissions Agreement, the Fall first month deposit bill, file forms for new students, and our yearly pricing and calendar information. For questions please message "Administrator" to reach Marcela.

Tam Camp 2026: Open from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, June 15 to July 31 (closed 7/3)

A registration packet will be sent to families using Brightwheel next week.

To register, fill out the camp form in Brightwheel and your reservation will be processed. Parents will receive a confirmation message and a bill for the session(s) reserved. We have limited spots each session and I will let you know when weeks are closed. Camp reservations will be processed in a first come first serve basis, and it will close when all spots are filled. Camp details, like daily schedule and group information, will be sent to families in June before camp starts.

Camp Weekly Sessions:

Session 1: June 15 to 19

Session 2: June 22 to 26

Session 3: June 29 to July 2 (Closed July 3)

Session 4: July 6 to 10

Session 5: July 13 to 17

Session 6: July 20 to 24

Session 7: July 27 to July 31

Specialist Activities:

***Jamaroo with Michi: 3/2 (rescheduled date), 3/9, and 3/23.**

***Capoeira with Coach Diego: Wednesday 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, and 3/25.** Children should wear sneakers and comfortable clothes for running and climbing on coach days (please avoid boots, sandals, or dresses.)

***Friday, 3/20: The Lizard Lady (Students Only)**

This is a school favorite yearly activity. Each class gets to learn and touch amazing reptiles from snakes to tortoises. Teachers usually create a dinosaur theme around this reptile visit: <https://lizardladyreptiles.net>

***Friday, 4/24: Petting Zoo (Students Only)**

We are looking forward to our spring petting zoo visit. The zoo sets up in our outdoor learning lab, and every class will have a scheduled time to visit. More information will be available as we get close to the event.

<https://allaboutafarm.com>

***Friday, May 8: Insect Discovery Lab (Students Only)**

Students get to hold and learn about some amazing insects during this visit. Again, each class will have their own time for this event, so everyone gets a chance to ask questions.

<https://www.savenature.org/insect-discovery-lab>

Thank you for your contributions to our Equipment and Enrichment Fund. The money is used to benefit children directly by purchasing toys, classroom equipment, as well as pay for our weekly and monthly specialist activities.

Dates to Remember:

- ***Jamaroo Days:** Monday 3/2, 3/9, and 3/23
- ***Coach Alek:** Wednesday 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, and 3/25
- ***Monday, 3/16:** Teacher In-Service Day (No School)
- ***Friday, 3/20:** The Lizard Lady (Students Only)
- ***Saturday, 3/28:** Tam Spring Party at 10:00 am (Family Event, Board will send info)
- ***Friday, 4/24:** Petting Zoo (Students Only)
- ***April 6 to 10:** Spring Recess (NO SCHOOL)
- ***Friday, 5/8:** Insect Discovery Lab (Students Only)
- ***Monday, 5/25:** Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)
- ***Tuesday, 6/9:** Graduation and Last Day of School (School open all day)
- ***June 10 – 12:** End of Year Teacher In-Service Days (NO SCHOOL)
- ***Monday, 6/15:** First Day of Camp

Billing:

For billing questions, please message “Administrator” on Brightwheel and Rose will reply.

Tax info can be found on Brightwheel after 1/31/26: Payments >> Statements >> Export >> Family 2025 Payer Tax Statement. You will need to export a separate list for each child. Here is an article also: [How payers can pull year-end tax statements | Brightwheel Help Center](#). If you need help or have any questions, you can always reach out to Rose (under Admin on BW).

Invoices are sent through Brightwheel on the 5th of the month and are due on the 25th, a late fee will apply after that. Please let Rose know if you have any questions or difficulties.

If you have questions about childcare charges, you can view your child’s attendance in Brightwheel. Students entering school from 8:00 to 9:00 am are charged for morning care.

Important Reminders:

*Hope everyone is feeling better now, I know December was rough for many. Please keep your child home if not feeling well. Symptoms can worsen as the day goes on. If children come to school sick, not only will they spread germs, but your child will not enjoy their day at school feeling sick and recovery may take longer without proper rest.

*As part of State requirements, if a child starts to show illness symptoms at school, a teacher will isolate with the child away from the rest of the group and contact the family for pick up. Parents must have an emergency plan, that includes people in the emergency list who can come pick up a sick child within a short time. Children who are sent home with a symptom must check with the director to make sure the illness is not contagious. The health department has a list of contagious illness we are required to report.

*We follow a 24-hour health policy: If your child is home sick, or was sent home due to illness, your child needs to be symptom-free and/or on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before he or she can return to school. This guideline helps ensure everyone is healthy at school and exposure is kept at a minimum. Thank you for helping to keep our school community healthy!

*If your child suffers from allergies, please inform the teacher. Even with allergies, children may not be at school with severely runny nose or cough, as it can bring discomfort to the child. When allergies are acting up and are not under control, children are just not well enough to participate in school activities.

*Students must be lice and nit free to attend our preschool. Lice and nits are not a health risk, but they are highly contagious, especially in preschool where we play close to each other. Lice and nits are hard to get rid of at schools, as well as at home, so we do our best to prevent spreading it. Thank you for your diligence and support as we try to prevent more cases.

Hope you have a wonderful start to the holiday season!

Marcela and the Tam Teachers