Tam Preschool Newsletter: June 2024 Celebrating 66 Years!

Our school year is ending soon. It has been a pleasure getting to know all our new families and spending more time with our returning friends. Your children have brought us great joy and made this a memorable year! We are looking forward to end of year the events and hope to see everyone enjoying the celebrations.

Tam Camp is starting in a couple of weeks! Let us know if you want to add sessions or sign up to attend. Look for more information below and in the attached brochure.

I will be sending Fall information soon for our returning families. We are just waiting for camp to begin before looking at Fall updates. We are so happy to have many returning families in the new school year. For those moving on to elementary, please make sure to stay in touch and give your teachers a hug. We will miss you-so please visit when you can!

Tam End of Year Celebration:

*All Tam Classes: Saturday, 6/1, from 4:00 to 6:30 pm. Meet at Hauke Park for a Taco Party!

Hope to see you this weekend to have fun and celebrate the end of the year together. Details on this link, please RSV if you have not already: <u>https://www.paperlesspost.com/go/dwZq91kC3bWaArfvayw5n/pp_g/6a657d4eaff685e83076f2efbfbd</u> <u>45768070d91d?utm_content=view_flyer&utm_source=flyer&utm_medium=email</u>

<u>Graduation for The Garden and Ocean Room Class</u>: Monday 6/10 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm located in the Church Sanctuary. Family and friends are welcome to attend the celebration.

Garden and Ocean families can come into the church Sanctuary 10 minutes before 6:00 pm. Children will go into the choir room in the entrance area where teachers will be waiting for them, while parents and family find a spot to sit in the church pews marked for their class. There will be announcements when the ceremony starts and children will walk with their teachers to take their seats for the ceremony near the center area. Classes will have a turn to sing songs and teachers will hand out diplomas to each child in their class, giving parents a chance to take a photo. After everyone has their time to shine, the ceremony will be over.

<u>Puppet Show:</u> Tuesday, 6/11_at 11:30 am. We are scaling down this event as we want to focus on our Tam students. This will allow teachers and students to enjoy a fun and memorable last day of school. If you want to see the puppet show, you are welcome to join us in the Sanctuary at 11:30 am. Please let us know if you want to attend. Parents are not required to come see the show, as we plan to have a regular full school day in class with the children. We also already have a family celebration on 6/1 with everyone. Aftercare will stay open until 5:00 pm on 6/11. Regular picks ups will be as usual at 1:00, 3:00, or 5:00 pm.

Specialist Activities for our Students:

Puppet Art Theater Co: The Three Little Pigs on 6/11 from 11:30 to 12:00 pm. Families are welcome to attend the performance held in the Sanctuary.

*Your donations help fund our specialist events, as well as new equipment for the school. Thank you all for your support! This year, we were able to have Coach Alek every Wednesday in all Tam classes, and in the Spring, Jamaroo (a music and movement team) every Thursday in the Creek Room. Next year, we hope to have Jamaroo in the Ocean and Creek Room all year, while the Garden Room has Hand Writing Without Tears.

Thanks to your donations we were also able to have: The Insect Discovery Lab, Jungle James, The Lizard Lady, Perry the Magician, two performances from The Puppet Art Theater Company, and All About a Farm Petting Zoo.

This year, we created an Outdoor Learning Lab, and we hope to expand it next year to include more natural materials, have water activities, and blocks. We were also able to create more seating areas in the playgrounds, added more bikes, jump horses and mat for the Creek Kids, as well as storage areas and shades for the nap room.

Tam Camp 2024: Open from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, June 17 to August 16 (closed 7/4 and 7/5) You can register by emailing your camp reservation form (attached) to director@tamalpaispreschool.org or handing your reservation form to our teachers in any of our classrooms. If you are adding dates to your existing reservation, you need to fill out a new form with the dates you are adding (don't include your existing reservation, as it may confuse charges). Payments are made using Curacubby once you turn in a camp form. For assistance reach out to Marcela or Rose.

Tam Camp 2024: Open 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, June 17 to August 16 (closed 7/4 and 7/5) Camp Weekly Sessions and Themes:

Session 1: June 17 to 21 --- Bubble Science Session 2: June 24 to 28 --- Under the Sea Session 3: July 1 to 3 (Closed July 4 and 5) --- Carnaval Session 4: July 8 to 12 --- Bugs and Crawlers Session 5: July 15 to 19 --- Shark Week Session 6: July 22 to 26 --- Cooking Science Session 7: July 29 to August 2 --- Enchanted Forest Session 8: August 5 to 9 --- Building and Construction Session 9: August 12 to 16 --- Fiesta!

Important Reminders:

*Please drop off and pick up your child on time either by 1:00, 3:00, or 5:00 pm. Late charges apply when picking up late, and chronic lateness may cause loss of aftercare privileges.

*Keep your child home if he or she is not feeling well. If your child looks to be under the weather when he or she wakes up, please give your child a day at home to rest and make sure he/she is well, as 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 recover may take longer without proper rest.

*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 <u>symptom-free</u> and/or on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before he or she is able to return to school. This guideline helps ensure everyone is healthy at school and exposure is kept to a minimum. Thank you for helping to keep our school community healthy and helping us remain open.

***We have a lice and nit free policy**. Children have to be lice and nit free to attend school. A child with a positive case will be sent home and needs to be rechecked upon returning. Our preschool children work and play in very close contact and precautions limits the spread.

Billing:

For billing questions, please contact Rose Lofrano, our Chief Operating Officer. Her contact information is 415- 246-4941 and rosetsp1@yahoo.com.

To look up and print tax information in Curacubby, please look in the 'ledger' or 'statement' tabs. If you have any trouble, please contact Rose directly.

Invoices are sent through Curacubby 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. **May was the last monthly bill for this school year.**

If you have questions regarding childcare charges, you can view daily attendance sign in/out times in Curacubby. Students entering school from 8:00 to 9:00 am are charged for morning care, and those getting picked up at 3:00 or 5:00 pm will be charged for their corresponding aftercare hours. **Morning Care and Aftercare are billed at the end of the month, so May and June bills are still coming.**

Dates to Remember:

*All Tam Classes: Saturday, 6/1, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Meet at Hauke Park for a Taco Party!
*Graduation for The Garden and Ocean Room Class: 6/10 at 6:00 to 7:00 pm
*Puppet Art Theater Co: The Three Little Pigs on June 11, at 11:30 am
*End of Year Teacher In-Service Days (NO SCHOOL): June 12 – 14
*Summer Camp 2024: Starts June 17 and will be open until August 16