



LITTLE SUNSHINE LEARNING CENTER NEWS MARCH 2016

Mission Statement

Little Sunshine Learning Center is dedicated to promoting a high quality Early Childhood Education program for children in a safe, caring, and nurturing environment that promotes each child's social, emotional, physical and cognitive growth and competency through positive experiences. We believe that all children are unique in their own way and should be encouraged to learn and develop at their own rate.

Preschool Classroom Updates

"Rain, rain, go away, come again some other day". This is the song that we sang almost every day during March. The children miss playing outside but are happy that we have rain. The preschool class has been reading stories about spring. We discussed and observed how the leaves on the trees are turning green. Recently, we have been hunting for insects and other critters to study them and learn about them. We found earthworms, snails, ladybugs, roly pollies and even a salamander.

If you have been paying attention to our bulletin boards, we have many art projects related to spring. The children have great time and fun mixing primary colors to create secondary colors. So much learning is taking place that sometimes art projects turn into science projects.

Our school will be having Easter egg hunts for the children. We ask you that you please help us with this event by bringing plastic eggs filled with goodies (stickers, sweets, etc.) to share with all the children. **NO NUTS PLEASE.** You may bring the eggs at any time before the event but no later than 10:45 am on the day of the event. We also need about 4 dozen real eggs to dye at school. We will buy food for all the children. We ask for donations of \$3 for the party.

The Preschool class egg hunt will be on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 11:45 AM.

Let us know if you would like to volunteer to help out. Thank you

2016 Holiday Calendar

The center will be closed on the following days:

Spring Break **(1 week 3/28/16 – 4/1/16)** Center is open on Monday 4/4/16

Memorial Day **(5/30/16)**

Staff Development Day **(6/17/16)**

Independence Day **(7/4/16)**

Labor Day **(9/5/16)**

Veterans Day **(11/11/16)**

Thanksgiving Holiday **(11/24/16 and 11/25/16)** Center is open on Monday 11/28/16

Winter Break **(12/21/16 – 12/30/16)** Center is open on Monday 1/2/17

Gentle reminders: with the cold weather, please make sure that your child brings a coat to school and extra clothing is appropriate. Please do not send your child to school with toys from home. Bringing toys from home can cause disruptions in the classroom.

If your child brings lunch from home, please do not send food that needs cooking. We have limited cooking capacity and time constraints when setting up for lunch. We can heat up food from home but not cook it or prepare it.

Please check your child's cubby daily for teacher notes, artwork, and/or soiled clothing.

Flu season – please DO NOT send your child to school if he/she is sick with a fever and/or cold.

Parents, as you know, parking can be difficult in our neighborhood. As such, please be considerate and do not block our driveway during pick up and drop off. Please move your car towards the front of the driveway where the stop sign is. This allows other parents to use the driveway simultaneously. As always, we ask for your consideration in dealing with the parking.

Reminders

*The center closes at 6:30 pm. If a child is signed out after 6:30pm, a late charge of \$1.00 per minute is payable to Little Sunshine Learning Center.

*Tuition is due on the 1st of the month and no later than the 5th day of the month before a late fee is applicable.

*Please don't forget to check your child's cubby on a daily basis and to pick any art work, soiled clothing or notices from the teachers.

*When you sign students in and out, make sure that you use your FULL signature (no initials). This is important and required by the State of California.

*Per the admission agreement, Little Sunshine does not provide make-up days for students who are absent. Parents/Guardians are responsible for paying the full monthly tuition regardless of illness, vacations, spring and Winter breaks, holidays or emergency closure of the school (power outages, etc.).

*Tuition adjustments are for vacations/absences that are two weeks or longer with prior notice.