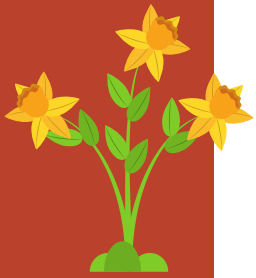




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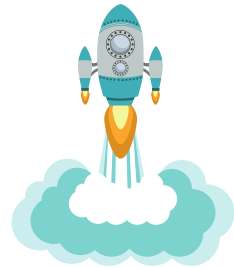
FROM THE CLASSROOM

Once again we are starting this with thank you. We are very fortunate to work with such a wonderful, caring, trustworthy group of parents. Your help in the classroom, enthusiasm and support of our school makes our school great. We know many of you are hard at work finishing up auction projects and organizing the big night, **thank you**.



Spring is a time for tremendous growth, not only outdoors but within your child. Remember we talk about the whole child and fostering growth in all areas. This is when you really see the intellectual growth happen before your eyes. Many of the children as late 4 or 5 year olds are very excited to start writing. They may be asking you to spell everything you can imagine. This is exactly where you want them, excited about letters and what they can create. Encourage this whenever you can. As they learn the sounds of letters encourage “guess and go” spelling. Every word does not need to be spelled correctly, this will come with time. The important part is that they are practicing writing the words and understanding that the letters together make the word. This is a great time to start making books. You might write some of the words and then let them write some of the words. Then let them illustrate the pages if they would like. Or maybe their book only has pictures and they can tell you the story. It is a wonderful way to encourage fine motor development, use the imagination and fine tune those pre-reading skills. The 3-year olds are very interested in the letters in their name. They may find the letters every where or they might write the letters on any surface! They are also interested in shapes and might be pointing out shapes where ever you go.

Back to the whole child, this is also a wonderful time to get outdoors and plant. There is something marvelous about working with the earth and seeing the rewards. Children love to see things they have actually planted start to emerge. Take time to point out the little buds emerging and the beautiful flowers on the trees. Spring really is an awakening!



This month we will go to space. The dramatic play room will become a space station complete with mission controls, and spaceships that the children make themselves. It is a magical, imaginative time that brings out lots of discussion and exploration. The week of the month will be devoted to making spaceships and planets and learning general knowledge about the solar system. You may hear lots of countdowns over the next few weeks: 5-4-3-2-1... Blastoff!! The second week will be devoted to the story Papa Please Get The Moon For Me by Eric Carle, and the song Aikendrum, usually performed by Raffi. We will also throw in St. Patrick’s Day on March 14-16. Don’t be surprised if your child talks about a little green man that messed up the classroom.

Parent-Teacher conferences are March 22- 23 (no school). We have conferences in the classroom with each of you. It is a chance for us to share our thoughts about how your child is doing and what to expect over the next year. Sign up sheets for conferences will go up on March 5th. Thank you so very much for your cooperation.

Happy Spring,

Teachers Andy and Emily

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

03	8a-3:30p	PCPO Early Childhood Conference / Clackamas HS
03	9-11 am	School Cleaning (sign-up in hallway) / CCP
12	7:00 pm	Preschool Board Meeting / CCP (childcare)
15	7:00 pm	Parent & Me Playgroup Spring Orientation
22		Parent & Me Playgroup Spring Session Begins
22		NO ANDY'S 3s CLASS - CONFERENCES
23		NO SCHOOL - CONFERENCES
26-30		NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK

APRIL

02	school hrs	Classes Resume
04		Andy's 4s "Talk About Trees"
07	9-11 am	School Cleaning (sign-up in hallway) / CCP
09	7:00 pm	Preschool Meeting of the Members / CCP
11	school hrs	Class Photos (wear red school shirts)
12	school hrs	Andy's 3s Class Photos (wear red CCP shirts)
13	school hrs	Grand-friends Day
21	4:30-9 pm	Auction "Kentucky Derby Style" / WVCC
23	school hrs	Emily's 3s Nature Walk
24	school hrs	Andy's 3s Nature Walk
25	school hrs	Andy's 4s at Outdoor School



****We will continue to go outside whenever we can. Please send the children with warm coats, hats and gloves.****





AUCTION UPDATE

COUNTDOWN IS ON!

We have been busy preparing for the Auction and want to thank you all for making our job easier! All donations are turned in, auction jobs are being completed, and raffle tickets are getting turned in. CCP families ROCK!!!



There are less than 60 Auction Tickets left!!

You must purchase a ticket to have dinner and a seat at the live auction. Tickets are for sale online at canbycommunitypreschool.com/auction,

UPCOMING IMPORTANT AUCTION DATES:

APRIL 6TH - RAFFLE TICKET STUBS (20) and money (\$100) due
April 21st - AUCTION NIGHT! Doors at Willamette Valley CC open at 4:30 pm

If you have any questions or concerns, as always please email us!

-- Nichole and Jenn
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PLAYGROUP CORNER

Winter session of our Parent-and-Me Playgroup has been filled with fun for the 2 and 3 year olds, and their parents. We had pajama day with teddy bears, exchanged Valentines and celebrated Dr. Seuss, to name a few things. Each week the children love to explore the classroom, art room, and dramatic playroom after participating in circle time with Teacher Jen. Playgroup is an ideal way to introduce children into the classroom environment ahead of their start in 3s classes in the fall. We have one more session, beginning March 22nd, and hope to welcome more new friends into the group.



SPRING SESSION STARTS MARCH 22ND

Thursdays, from 9:30 - 11:00am. Nine classes each term.

Spring Orientation: March 15 @ 7:00 pm at CCP

Registration Fee: \$25, Tuition: \$150, due at orientation

Child must be 2 years of age by start of the term.

Register today at canbycommunitypreschool.com/playgroup