

March 2020



Canby Community Preschool

Happy Spring!

Dear Families,

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

Spring is a time of tremendous growth, not only outside but also in your child. Remember, we have always talked about the whole child and fostering growth in all areas. This is when you really see the intellectual growth happen right before your eyes. Many of the children are very excited to start writing at this point (late 4's or 5 year-olds). They may be asking you to spell anything 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 have 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 three year-olds are very interested in the letters in their name. They may find the letters everywhere or they might write the letters on any surface! :) They are also interested in shapes and might be pointing out shapes wherever 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 first part of the month (March 2nd and 3rd) 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 "Papa Please Get the Moon for Me" by Eric Carle, and the song Aikendrum, usually heard by Raffi. We will also throw in St. Patrick's Day on March 16th and 17th. Don't be surprised if your child talks about a little green man that messed up the classroom.

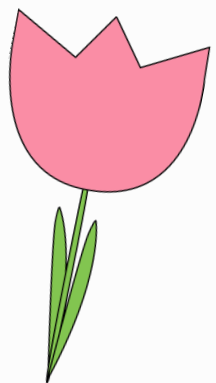
We will also have sit-down parent/teacher conferences this month. No school March 19th and 20th. We have the conferences in the classroom with each of you. It is a chance for us to share our thoughts about how your child is doing and what to expect over the next year. You will have an opportunity to sign up for a conference time.

Thank you so very much for your cooperation.
Happy Spring,

Teacher Andy, Teacher Jen, and Teacher Rosalie

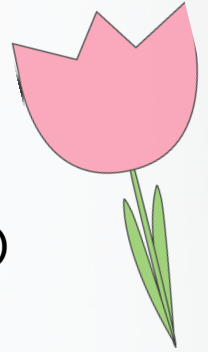


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play together
grow
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Dates to Remember

MARCH	11	7:00 pm-8:00 pm	CCP Board Meeting (Executive at 6:00 pm)
	12	9:30 am-11:00 am	First Day of Spring Playgroup
	18		Raffle Tickets Due
	19	--school hours--	No School, Conferences
	20	--school hours--	No School, Conferences
	23	--school hours--	No School, Spring Break (Through 3/27)
	30	--school hours--	Classes Resume
APRIL	8	7:00 pm-8:00 pm	CCP Board Meeting (Executive at 6:00 pm)
	8	--school hours--	Class Photos
	9	--school hours--	Class Photos
	10	--school hours--	Grand-Friends Day



Canby School District Info Night

Tuesday, March 10th, 2020 at 6:00 pm there is a Dual Language Information Night at the Ackerman Center for families interested in learning more about the K-12 program and for upcoming kindergarten parents.

PCPO Conference

The deadline is fast approaching. Register by March 6th for The Parent Child Preschool Organization (PCPO) Annual Conference Saturday, March 14th, from 8:00 am to 3:15 pm. The theme is "Community" and breakout sessions are full of great information for parents, early-childhood education educators and advocates, and co-op families. Children, other than babes-in-arms, are not allowed as no childcare is available. See parentchildpreschools.org/conference-1 for details about the conference sessions and registration. The cost is \$45 for all member schools.

Helpful Links

canbycommunitypreschool.com has parent news, updated calendar, forms, registration, and auction info.

facebook.com/canbycommunitypreschool will post events to add to your calendar and share.

facebook.com/groups/ccpfamilies is a great place for families to touch base with one another, be reminded of upcoming events, and share photos and stories about our kids in a safe, private setting.

parentchildpreschools.org is the co-op organization that supports more than 60 co-op preschools and kindergartens in the pacific northwest.

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Uptown Hoedown!

JUST OVER A MONTH AWAY!

We have been busy preparing for the auction and want to thank you all for making our job easier. Most donations have been turned in, auction jobs are being completed, and raffle tickets are coming in. We are building serious momentum as we get closer to the auction date, Saturday, April 18th 2020.

Buy your tickets now!

You must purchase a ticket if you would like to have dinner, participate in the Dessert Dash, and have a seat for the live auction. Remember, if you are working the Implementation Team for your Auction Job, you will have a break but you will still need to buy a seat ticket if you would like a meal. Tickets are for sale online only. Click [here](#) to purchase.

There are some enticing packages coming together. The silent auction before dinner will have a little bit of everything to offer; items will be as low as \$15 and up. Don't miss the chance to raise your bidder card for the enticing live auction packages after dinner. You'll see packages like family vacations, home renovation, golf outings, and sports fan packages. Some start as low as \$200.



UPCOMING IMPORTANT AUCTION DATES:

March 18th: RAFFLE TICKETS STUBS (20) and MONEY (\$100) *DUE* in the art room auction drop box.

April 18th: AUCTION NIGHT! Doors at Willamette Valley Country Club open at 4:30 pm.

With Gratitude,
Your auction co-chairs

Annie Thomas, Sandra Shoen, and Shannon Hale

Please remember that we are here to support you with any questions, concerns, or ideas you might have! You can always reach out to us through our email at ccpreschoolauction@gmail.com