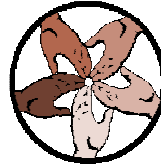
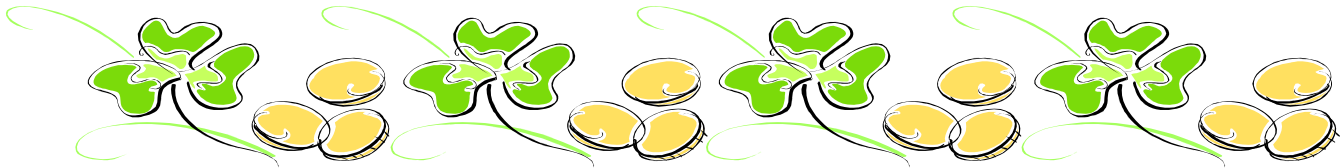


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MARCH 2009 PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

EVENTS TO TAKE NOTE OF IN MARCH 2009

March 2, 2009: First Day of the 2008-2009 Open Enrollment

March 3, 2009: Niosha Dance Academy

March 7, 2009: 2008 Summer School Enrollment Begins

March 19, 2009: Bruce Cotter, the Bagpipe Player

March 20, 2009: Minimum Day. School ends at 12:00 pm. No daycare.

March 26, 2009: Europe Immersion Day

Parent Information Meeting: Open Forum

2009-2010 OPEN ENROLLMENT



Open enrollment for the 2009-2010 school year starts on Monday, **March 2nd**. If you have friends or neighbours who might be interested in enrolling their children in One World's Infant, Primary, Elementary or Junior High programs, now is the time for them to contact us.

Any family who refers a child to OWM who enrolls for the school year will receive a credit equivalent to one month's tuition.

NIOSHA DANCE ACADEMY

In honor of No-Rooz (Persian New Year), the children will enjoy a performance of the Niosha Dance Academy on Tuesday, **March 3rd**. The Niosha Dance Academy strives to maintain and enhance the awareness of Persian dance and culture by performing traditional and contemporary dances from Iran.

The children will celebrate No-Rooz on this day by planting mung bean sprouts and creating Persian art.

SUMMER SCHOOL



This year, we will be offering 8 sessions of summer school, from July 6th to August 28th. There will be no school and no daycare from August 31st to September 8th, as the staff uses this time to thoroughly clean and set-up the classrooms in preparation for the next school year, as well as take the required CPR/first aid and disaster preparedness trainings. The 2009-2010 school year will start on Wednesday, September 9, 2009.

Enrollment for summer school starts Monday, **March 7th** and is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are considering enrolling your child(ren) in summer school, be sure to turn in your forms early.

The San Jose campus will only be operating one classroom this summer, as the other will be used for teacher training. Therefore, our

class size will be limited to 48 students. Summer school at the San Jose campus will be held in the Primary 3 classroom.

Summer School is reserved for students enrolling in the 2009-2010 school year.

BRUCE COTTER – THE BAGPIPE PLAYER



On Thursday, **March 19th**, in honor of St. Patrick's Day, we will enjoy a visit from Bruce Cotter, our favorite Bagpipe player. He will come in full regalia wearing his tartan or clan's colors. After the performance, he will answer the children's questions.

MINIMUM DAY

Friday, **March 20th** will be a minimum day. School will end at 12:00 noon. There will be no school and no daycare in the afternoon.

PARENT EDUCATION EVENT

The Montessori Foundation, publisher of "Tomorrow's Child" (the Montessori magazine you receive in your hanging folders/cubbies each quarter) is holding its annual West Coast conference in March 2009 at the Dolce Hayes Mansion in San Jose. New this year is a special event for parents on Sunday, **March 22nd**. The main focus of this workshop will be providing an overview of Montessori philosophies and practices that parents can incorporate into their homes and lives.

If you are interested in attending, please visit <http://magazinevolume.com/5453montessori/>

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING



Our next Parent Information Meeting will be on Thursday, **March 26th** at 3:30 pm. This is an open forum, so please come with any question or topic you want to discuss. The parents in

San Jose have already requested an exploration of the mathematics materials. For those interested, there will be a sign-up sheet on the white board next to the office (Santa Clara) and in the lobby (San Jose). We need a minimum of 8 people for the meeting to occur. Childcare will be available upon request. Cost is \$15.00 per hour/per child.

EUROPE IMMERSION DAY



On Thursday, **March 26th** we will have our Europe Immersion day. We need help with our celebration. Please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible if you or someone you know would like to talk about Europe. We would also appreciate any assistance you may be able to offer with European food, recipes, artifacts, pictures or slides.

SAN JOSE – EXTRA CLOTHES



If you have borrowed extra clothes from the school, please remember to return them. Our current supply is extremely low.

SANTA CLARA HOT LUNCH

There will be 12 days of hot lunch in March: 5 Mondays (pasta), 4 Wednesdays (mac and cheese in Primary II/quesadilla on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays and mac and cheese on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays) and 3 Fridays (pizza).



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Santa Clara

Thank you to Yiqing Guo for her constant support and immediate availability when any needs arise in Primary I and to Edna Borg, Yoshiko Mita, Sock Hoon Soh, Chitra

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San Jose

Thank you to Eden Nguyen's family for the donation of Vietnamese clothes for Chinese New Year/Tet and to the parents of Primary 3 children celebrating February birthdays for donating the geometric solids. Thank you to the Do family for the Costco shopping they did out of their own pocket and to Noriko Sakaguchi for giving the children a lesson on making sushi. Thanks to the Cheung family for donating the Asia flags to Primary 4 in honor of Jayden's birthday. Thanks to Rania Boulos, Phuongcac Nguyen, Victoria Sanchez-Toledo, Tricia Cooper and Tiffany Trevers for helping with our Asia Immersion Day

presentation. Thank you to the Wimsatt family for donating the book in honor of Rebecca's birthday and to the Luu family for providing artifacts for the classroom.

APRIL PREVIEW

April 8, 2009: Passover acknowledged

April 9, 2009: Easter acknowledged

April 10, 2009: Minimum Day. School ends at 12 noon. No daycare.

April 13 to 17, 2009: Spring Break. No School. No Daycare.

April 24, 2005: Earth Day celebrated at the San Jose campus