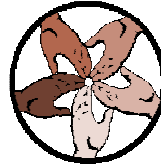


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APRIL 2009 PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

APRIL EVENTS

- April 7, 2009:** Passover observed.
April 8, 2009: Easter acknowledged.
April 10, 2009: Minimum Day. School ends at noon.
April 13 to 17, 2009: Spring Break. No School. No Daycare.
April 20, 2009: Stephen Fiske will perform for the children.
April 24, 2009: Earth Day celebration at the San Jose campus.



PASSOVER AND EASTER



We will be learning about Passover on **Wednesday, April 7th** and about Easter on



Thursday, April 8th

in the fall.

Santa Clara can accommodate a total of 36 children; San Jose can accommodate 48. Spaces are available on a first come/first served basis.

Any changes or cancellations must be made in writing by **May 29th**. After that date, you will be financially responsible for all sessions in which you have enrolled your child, whether or not your child attends.

MINIMUM DAY

Friday, April 10th will be a minimum day. School will end at 12:00 pm. There will be no school and no daycare in the afternoon.

SPRING BREAK

Spring break is from **April 13th to 17th**. School is closed during this time; there will be no classes and no daycare.

SUMMER SCHOOL



This year we are offering 8 one-week summer sessions starting July 6th and ending August 28th. Your summer school enrollment forms were distributed a few weeks ago. If you wish to enroll your child this summer, please return your form to the office before **Thursday, April 10th** with a check equal to the fees for one session. After that time, any remaining openings will be made available to new children who will be starting



In acknowledgment of our stewardship of the earth and living things, we will celebrate Earth Day on **Friday, April 24th**. The children will be making drawings and writing stories prior to the celebration, which will be displayed on that day. The children will also perform a short Earth Day pageant. The celebration will be held at the San Jose campus. The Santa Clara children will travel to San Jose on buses. They will leave at 9:30 am and will be back before lunch.

The older children from the Santa Clara site will be going to the San Jose campus during the week to practice. We will need volunteers to help transport them back and forth.

Parents are welcome to come and participate in our Earth Day celebration.

DONATIONS DUE

Please remember that your family's \$200 donation to the school is due by the end of the month. Each family is contractually obligated to make this donation, which is 100% tax-deductible. This money will go directly to our scholarship fund to help those families who are struggling financially.

GRADUATION



As you know, the 2008-2009 Kindergarteners will be graduating in June. For the graduation ceremony (which will be held on **Monday, June 15th**), the children will need to wear their blue One World t-shirt, white shorts, skirt or pants, white socks and **PLAIN** white

shoes. If you need to buy a new t-shirt, let us know as soon as possible so we can be sure that we can order enough of them. It is sometimes difficult to find white pants, skirts or shorts so we are notifying you now to give you plenty of time to shop for them. Easter is often a good time to find these items. They are also available at Hanna Anderson online.

LAST TWO WEEKS OF JUNE

Daycare is available for the last two weeks of June for Full Day students; this is included in their program. However, if we have space, we will accommodate School Day and Half Day students who need care on those days.

All parents who plan to utilize the two weeks of daycare in June (regardless of program), need to sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board so that we can staff accordingly. Please indicate the days you will be needing daycare and the hours you will be dropping off and picking up your child. Because daycare is reserved for Full Day students, you will be charged at the Full Day rate for these days (\$73/day). The charge will appear on your next statement.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES



The weather is getting warmer and the children have been growing during the winter. Please check your child's change of clothes bin/bag to make sure s/he has clothing which is the correct size and weather appropriate.

EARTH DAY FUNDRAISER



We are in the midst of our Earth Day project to raise funds to purchase rainforest acres in Madagascar. Catalogs of the apparel we are selling were recently placed in your hanging files. Every ten items sold from the fundraiser will protect an acre of Malagasy rainforest in our school's name and help save precious habitat for some of the world's most amazing species – 8 plant families, 4 bird families, and 5 primate families only inhabit Madagascar and its neighboring island groups.

Please turn in your orders to the office. We are placing 2 consolidated orders. The first order will be placed on April 2nd and the second order will be placed on April 30th.

SAN JOSE – PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Due to the lack of interest in San Jose, the March Parent Information Meeting has been postponed. To reschedule the meeting, we need a minimum of 8 people who are interested in attending. If you are interested, please let a member of the office staff know which you prefer – a meeting on Tuesday or Thursday. The topic is "An Exploration of the Mathematics Materials." As always, the meeting will occur at 3:30 pm and childcare will be available for \$15.00 per hour/per child.

SANTA CLARA HOT LUNCH

There will be 9 days of hot lunch in April:
3 Mondays (pasta), 4 Wednesdays (Mac and Cheese or cheese quesadilla) and 2 Fridays (pizza).

50/50 RAFFLE FOR JR. HIGH

As many of you know, One World's Junior High class is planning a trip this spring to Washington, D.C. Thank you all so much for your generous support of the Junior High's various fundraising events so far. We have about \$1,000 left to raise for this trip, so we are embarking on a new and exciting fundraiser: the 50/50 raffle. Those of you who have been at the school for a while will recognize the 50/50 from previous Wine and Cheese fundraisers.

Here's how it works: All the proceeds from the sale of 50/50 raffle tickets go into a special "pot." When the winning ticket is drawn, the winner will get 50% of the funds raised from the 50/50 ticket sales, and the Junior High program will keep the other 50%. We will also have some great bonus prizes (including a child's gardening set, and a tabletop gas grill and barbecue set), which will be drawn from the tickets left after the 50/50 winner has been drawn.

Tickets are \$5 for one ticket, 10 tickets for \$45, or 25 tickets for \$100. If every family in the school purchased just two tickets, the Junior High would raise its goal of \$1,000! Remember, the more tickets that get purchased, the higher the pot for the Junior High AND for the lucky winner!

Tickets will go on sale starting at our Spring Bake Sales (Wednesday, April 8th at San Jose, and Thursday, April 9th at Santa Clara). The drawing will be at the Santa Clara campus at 9:00 the morning of Wednesday, April 29th at the Parents' Coffee Break sale. You need not be present to win. Tickets can be purchased after those dates in the offices of both campuses, or through the Junior High. Junior High students and teachers will also occasionally be selling tickets in front of the office, before or after school.

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION



SANTA CLARA

Thank you to the Campista, Maillart, Leon, Zhan-Guo, Yang, Xia and Law families for allowing their children to participate in a voice recording to raise funds for the school. Because of their help, the school received a donation of \$1500. Thank you to Greg Tabangcura for always being available to help when needs arise, and to Silvia Cabal for sewing napkins and a curtain for Primary I. Thank you to Fransien van den Berg, Helena Drenan, Nataliya Husar, Nancy Rice, Ron Lauber, Emmanuelle Maillart and Linda Jones for helping with our Europe Immersion Day celebration. Thank you to the Yang family for replacing a bathroom rug in Primary I.

SAN JOSE

Thank you to the Toledo, Tang, Reynolds, Mak, Yuan, Chen and Jiang families for allowing their children to participate in a voice recording to raise funds for the school. Because of their help, the school received a donation of \$1500. Thanks to Victoria Sanchez-Toledo for hosting some of the recordings at her home. Thanks to Angela Bernhard for the No-Rooz presentation and setting the traditional table layout. Thank you to Michaela Bennington, Leonie Schoenmakers, Carmen Virgos, Rosemary Pacini and Mari Perez-Vizcaino for helping with our Europe Immersion Day celebration by making the delicious food and giving a presentation. Thank you to the Khetawat family for donating the bells support materials in honor of Juhi's birthday. Thanks to the Ackley, Arndt, Schuman, and Rivera families for donating money in honor of their children's birthdays. We have chosen to purchase a large moveable alphabet set with these funds. Thank you to the Chen family for donating money in honor of Madeline's birthday. The teachers were able to purchase 2 sets of phonogram digraph reading cards. Thanks to

the Cheung family for donating 2 sets of classification cards.

MAY PREVIEW

May 8, 2009: Minimum Day. School ends at noon. No daycare.

May 11, 12 and 13, 2009: Parent-Teacher conferences for returning and graduating students. No school. Daycare for Full Day students only.

May 21, 2009: Africa Immersion Day. Visit from Pope Flynn, the African drummer and Alcina, the Belly Dancer.

May 25, 2009: Memorial Day. No school. No daycare.

May 27, 2009: Visit from Stephen Kent, the Didjeridu player.

May 28, 2009: Australia Immersion Day.

