



News from Strawberry Preschool



~March, 2018~

Strawberry Families,

Theme: Continue with our Animal Unit

Our animal theme will continue throughout the month of March! Allowing this unit to last for several months gives the teachers and children the opportunity to really dive into the world of animals, thoroughly exploring and learning about where they live, what they eat, and why they look and act the way they do. If you have anything at home that you think will help add to this fun unit, please feel free to bring it in. Books, pictures, stuffed animals, etc. are all examples of things your child can bring in and share with the school/group. The month of March will be broken down into the following sections:

- Weeks of March 5th & March 12th: Ocean animals
- Week of March 19th: Reptiles
- Week of March 26th: Birds

Messages from Our Board

Parent's Night Out-Saturday, March 24th, 2018 at Servino's Restorante in Tiburon

- **RSVP:** The Deadline to RSVP has been extended to **Monday, March 5th!** Please confirm your attendance by responding to the evite (<http://evite.me/W2ddRvWcf>). This is a great opportunity to enjoy a fun night out, meet other parents and teachers in an informal setting, while helping to raise much appreciated money for our schools.
- **Donations:** Thank you for the donations received so far! A gentle reminder to please submit your donation forms in the envelopes provided in the school drop-off area or to stacey.johnson.strawberry@gmail.com. If possible, we would like to have notice of all donations by Monday, March 5th so that we can adequately prepare for the event.
- We are seeking:
 - Vacation Homes
 - Sports, Music, Theater Tickets
 - Special Experiences
 - Art, Wine, Collectibles, Sports Memorabilia
 - Services-do you have a skill or service you can donate?
 - Sign-up Parties-do you have a fun idea for a sign-up party you can host?
 - Any other great items you are willing to donate!

- We are also in need of prizes valued at \$25-\$100 for a surprise raffle and nice bottles of wine (valued at \$20+) for the wine pull.
- Questions? Strawberry Preschool contact: Stacey Johnson (stacey.johnson.strawberry@gmail.com) or Emma Reilly (emma.reilly2010@gmail.com)

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Strawberry/Tamalpais Preschools and teachers, we thank you for your support in attending and for your generous donations!

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A Message from our Financial Administrator

If you have any questions regarding your tuition or Curacubby, you can call or email Rose at (415) 246-4941 or rosetsp1@yahoo.com.

A Few Notes and Reminders

Conferences: Conferences have started this week. Sign-up sheets have been posted above the cubbies in the preschool, please sign up for a time that works best for you. This is a great opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and to talk about how the year is going, as well as ask any questions you may have. The conference dates are:

- Pre-K Elephant Group: February 28th, March 1st and 2nd
- Seahorse Group: March 5th, 7th & 9th
- Lizard Group: March 13th, 14th, 15th & 16th
- Frog Group: March 20th & 22nd
- Fish Group: March 27th & 29th

Toys from School: We know how exciting it can be to bring toys from home; children just love to show their friends their new or favorite toy. As difficult as it is, we ask that all toys stay at home. They can get easily lost or broken, and feelings can get hurt when toys are shared with some friends, but not other friends. We appreciate your help with this.

Safe Shoes: Please remember that crocs, jellies, Uggs, Rain boots and Flip-flops, although cute, are not safe school shoes, as they can cause the children to trip or slip more easily. If your child insists that they wear shoes that are considered unsafe for school, please bring another pair of shoes, we will happily help your child change.

Summer Camp Update: This year, Camp Strawberry will be a 6 week summer camp that will run from June 18th-August 3rd (we will be closed the 4th of July week), and is a great opportunity for new and continuing students to participate in a wide variety of activities, games, projects and

so much more. It will be broken down into 6 one week sessions, and you will have the flexibility to pick the weeks that work best for you. A brochure along with additional information and prices will be available shortly.

Is Your Child Under The Weather? We are all well aware of how nasty this cold and flu season has been. We ask that you please help us reduce the spread of all of those nasty germs by keeping your child home if he/she seems to be a little 'off' when they wake up in the morning. Even though we are getting close to spring, this is still considered the cold and flu season, and children who are 'fighting' something tend to get worse as the day goes on. Giving them an extra day at home is sometimes all they need, and greatly helps us keep our teachers and children healthy. We thank you in advance for your support with this.

Extra 'Big Kid' Clothes: We are running low on extra clothes for our oldest children. If you have any pants, shorts, underwear, long or short sleeved shirts at home for 4 or 5 year olds, we'll gladly take them. Thank you so much!

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Staff In-Service Day, school is closed: Monday, March 12th
- Parent's Night Out: Saturday, March 24th at Servinos in Tiburon
- Spring Break: The week of April 9th
- Last Day Of School: Tuesday, June 12th
- First Day of Summer Camp: Monday, June 18th

Here's to a great March,

Lisa Woods and the Strawberry Preschool Staff