

February 2021

Good Sam News

Covid Update

Santa Clara County has re-entered the purple tier following Governor Newsom's lifting of the Stay-at-home order. The green light has been given for many outdoor activities to resume once again. We must still practice social distancing and wear masks in public areas. Northern California's ICU unit availability is back up past the 15% capacity. Even with the news of our county moving back into the purple tier, we must remember things can quickly change.

There is still a travel advisory from the California Department of Public Health. If you travel outside the county line more than 120-mile radius or out of state for "non-essential travel", you must quarantine upon return for a minimum of 10 days. Please continue to be safe and stay inside your bubble. We know this is hard to do, but

we are a preschool community and we must think of everybody.

To keep up to date on county regulations and guidelines, go to: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/>  
Thank you again for sticking to the program.

Happy Valentine's Day

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. If you want to bring Valentines, please make sure you bring enough for each child. Also, we are asking one family to bring a treat for the class, please let your teacher know if you are interested. Thank you

Labeling your items

Please remember to label all your children's items. Lunch boxes, cups, bottles, bedding, spare clothing, jackets, thermometers. We mean everything! This protects your belongings and hopefully insures it gets back to the right house.

### Re-enrollment

Summer is coming up quickly and usually at this time we start to plan our summer. Things are still very much up in the air right now. At this time, we will be moving forward with summer enrollment and fall enrollment planning. It is very important that you take a moment to fill out the re-enrollment forms. This will guarantee that your child will have a spot for summer and fall, and give us an idea how we should plan staffing. This is due on Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. There is a re-enrollment fee of \$90.00 for children who are continuing here for the next school year. If you will be leaving for the summer and returning for fall you will need to put a deposit down to hold your spot. The deposit is \$200 and will go toward your fall tuition

As for our summer planning, we are waiting to see if things change. Thank you for your patience.

### Reminder

The school will be closed February 15<sup>th</sup>, Presidents' Day holiday.

### Teddy Bear news

First, we want to thank our Teddy Bear families for being so supportive during this pandemic and helping us keeping our classroom and school safe.

For the month of February our classroom theme will be friendship. We will sing songs and read books related to our theme. The color of the month is red and pink. Please keep in mind when we move forward with our art projects some children may not be ready to get their hands messy. They are always welcome to just observe and participate when they are ready.

The Teddy Bear room is usually our opening room but when our Ladybugs come in, we might switch rooms for morning drop off. Just make sure you try both doors. We are here.

We look forward to a fun month and we are always available to answer any

questions or concerns you might have.

Thank you,

-Ms. Maria and Ms. Co

introducing a simple concept of taste, touch and opposites.

We are looking forward to a love-filled month of February.

-Ms. Lyn and Ms. Grace

### Flower Room February News

The first month of 2021 went by so quickly. The Flower Room was busy but had so much fun. They enjoyed all of the winter themed crafts and activities. We painted using colored ice cubes and sprayed water colors outside. We also talked about *Sharing is Caring*. They have been doing a lot of sensory projects and enjoying group time.

February will be filled with lots of friendship and love. With Valentine's fast approaching there is definitely feeling of love in the air. We will be talking about love, how we love our families and our friends. We will be learning about Legos and Outer Space. We will learn the importance of "Healthy Teeth" with brushing, flossing and the importance of eating healthy foods that keep our teeth strong. And also, we will start

### Rainbow Room News

Hello Rainbow families, January flew by in the blink of an eye. February is going to be a very fun and exciting month. It's the month of love; yes, it's Valentines month. We will be doing lots of art activities related to Valentines. We will be celebrating Valentines Day on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Children can bring cards for their friends and we are asking one family to sign up for a special treat to share. Please let me know if you're interested in signing up.

Our curriculum will also focus on math and language. We will continue to talk about our letters and sounds as well as recognition of number.

Thank you again for all your support.

-Ms. Dee

### Alpaca Room News

Hello my Alpaca room parents January was super exciting the children enjoyed their Anna Dewdney book study. The Llama Llama series was a big hit with them. We were able to address a lot of the social/emotional skills reading these books. In the last two weeks of January, we started our animal safari, where we explored the indigenous animals of America and Africa. We learned about their habitats, the kinds of food they ate. We listened to the sounds they make and tried to mimic them. We tried to make the stripes and spots they had. We discussed how important it was for the wild animals to stay safe, far away from humans in the wild. In the month of February we will continue our safari exploring more indigenous animals of Australia, Asia, the arctic and Europe. We will be improving on our culinary skills by making some yummy heart-shaped sandwiches. We will learn L is for 'LOVE' and talk about all the people we love in our lives. We will be also doing a lot of crafts this month. We

will be having our parent teacher conferences on the 25th and 26<sup>th</sup>. I'm looking forward to our zoom meets. We are very excited for our Valentine's Party. It is on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Any goodies that parents want to drop off for the party would be great!

-Ms. Sneha

### Bumblebee Newsletter

This month we will be learning about snakes and arachnids. We will discuss what we know and what we want to know about both subjects. We will discuss where snakes live, their habitats, venomous vs non-venomous snakes and much more! In our arachnid unit we will talk about the different types, where they can be found, why they are similar and different, and make our very own arachnid creations. The students will study the life cycles of both snakes and spiders. We will have parent-teacher conferences this month and you will be receiving a progress report as well! Looking forward to a month of exploration and fun!

-Ms. Lydia

### Hedgehog Newsletter

Hello Hedgie parents! Another month has gone by and now we are heading towards February. The Hedgies have grown so much with their academics and social skills. I am so proud of the direction they are heading:!) This month we will be learning about space! We will learn interesting facts about our eight planets. We will also learn how to spell the planet names, learn how to add simple numbers, and learn a phrase, "I like \_\_\_\_" and make simple sentences. Please do not forget our parent-teacher conference is on February 23.  
-Ms. Vanessa

### Turtle Room News

We have made it though the 1<sup>st</sup> month of 2021. Your children are doing an awesome job with time management. We are still working on reading the analog clock and figuring out how many minutes until "our" next meeting.

As you know, in the month of February, the children have an entire week off from their academic school. During that week off we will be

implementing lots of fun activities. We will have PJ day, lots of art and games, movie day, and we will celebrate Valentines Day on Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup>. We will be sending more details out the first week in Feb. Thank you for all your continued support.

-Ms. Sarah and Ms. Maria