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Letter from the President

Hello Everyone,

I can't believe we only have a couple weeks left of school!

I also can't believe that this is the last letter I am writing!

It has been an amazing three years!

Four years ago I started to look for a preschool for the twins. A neighbor had mentioned Campbell Parent Participation Preschool. I had never heard of a parent participation school, so I was curious.

The kids and I came to the open house and instantly loved it. What a wonderful program! I could not think of a better gift to give the kids. The first three years of their education has been filled with discovery and wonder. The kids and I have made friends for a lifetime. We will miss seeing you in our everyday lives, but will be thinking of you often.

Being president for the past two years has been such a great experience! I have seen first hand how hard our teachers work for this school. I would like to thank Carol, Monica, and Erica. Please know that all your work is appreciated. I thank you for all the support that you have given me over the past three years.

I want to thank the Board and all our members for all your hard work this year. We had lots of challenges, but I think we really did a great job.

A big thank you to Tara (in the 2's class) and the girls who volunteered to paint the mural on the boat for us this weekend. It really came out adorable!

Just a reminder to everyone, that summer school still has openings. If we do not get enough children signed up we will have to cancel the class. Summer school is open to incoming and outgoing 3's.

I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to be on the board next year. I am excited to say that all the openings are full!

Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

Leticia Hunter
CPPP President

Important CPPP Dates!

May 24

Payment Due for Summer School Session

May 27

Last Day of School

May 28

Completion Day for the 4's Class

July 6

First Day of Summer School

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Two's Class

Sophia Kharal 3/1

Mia Pujol 3/20

Three's Class

Zach Allard 3/16

Asher Laughlin 5/2

Sasha Wang 5/6

Maya Rafat 5/8

Sidney Wang 5/22

Four's Class

Samantha Remotigue 5/25

The Two's Class

The end of the school year is upon us and many of us are reflecting back to the beginning of the year when our two-year-olds were starting the class. They have developed so many amazing skills in the few months we have had together. It is so touching to see friendships forming that will be continued next year in the Three's class and beyond. A BIG thank you to all of you for making this year a special experience in the Two's class. It is always hard for the school year to end and for us to say our goodbyes, but wonderful experiences await you all with your phenomenal children.

Teacher Monica



The Three's Class

The Closing Days in the Three's Class

It has been a year filled with fun activities and wonderful families. I had the good fortune this year to have a class full of dedicated and loving parents. It is unusual for so many families to go the extra mile beyond the basic requirements. It has been an honor to work with each one of them. You're getting a wonderful class Teacher Erica.

We closed off the month of April enjoying, handling and releasing the ladybugs Teacher Monica shared with us, seeing the first silkworm caterpillar spinning his cocoon, pouring gallons of water over our flower boxes, and finishing with selecting flowers to fill May baskets. April is so much the heart of the preschooler with all the garden activities to enjoy. The children's nasturtiums they planted at the beginning of April have all sprouted and were sent home for the children to give to their mothers for Mother's Day. :-)

Our Cinco De Mayo celebration consisted of the children making Papel Picado's by hammering golf tees through paper to punch holes in them and then we decorated the main room. An extra big THANK YOU to Shannon for the fabulous snack. The children enjoyed quesadillas (melted grated cheese in flour/corn tortillas), canned corn and black beans, fruit salsa, and horchata to drink. Horchata is made from rice, milk, and cinnamon. It was delicious. Shannon had the children help chop the fruit with a hand slap chopper. She used strawberries, watermelon, and pineapple. The children had an excellent time whether they helped chop or just enjoyed eating it. They danced to "La Bamba" and used shakers to add to the festive air. Our story was called "Borreguita and the Coyote" and is an old folk tale from Ayutla, Mexico. It was an excellent day enjoying the sounds, holiday decorations and foods of another country.

As we draw closer to the end of May, I watch with much joy the growth our Three's are showing. They are playing in much larger groups. Negotiating on their own for what they need or want, problem solving social situations and talking, laughing, coping, and in general, behaving like the four year olds they are all becoming. May will be our beach and water theme month. With the summer weather not far off, we will explore the many shells and creatures of the sea and ponds. Teddy bear day is next, when the children can enjoy a school day with their favorite stuffed animal from home. We'll have a Teddy bear picnic for snack time and lots of bear fun.

I close extending many thanks to my Three's families for sharing this year at CPPP with me. I will miss each one of your precious children, but send them off to new adventures with much love and heartfelt good wishes.

Teacher Carol



Something you'd like to share with the school or your class? Here are the email addresses for our new Google Groups!

CPPP All School:
all_cpppp@googlegroups.com

**Teacher Monica's
2's Class:**
twos_cpppp@googlegroups.com

**Teacher Carol's
3's Class:**
threes_cpppp@googlegroups.com

**Teacher Erica's
4's Class:**
fours_cpppp@googlegroups.com



Have you enrolled in eScrip for the 2009-2010 school year?

Go to www.escrip.com to register your debit, credit, Safeway, Macy's, and many other cards.

Help CPPP receive a percentage of each sale!

Don't worry - all information is safe and secure.

You MUST renew your card every year, so that our school can earn the benefits. Make sure you re/register today

The Four's Class

Happy May, Families

What an amazing year! We have had an awesome journey. I am so thankful to have been a part of your families' lives for the past nine months. I have enjoyed the time we have spent getting to know each other, enjoyed the growth (and silliness) of the children, and I salute you all for your hard work at making this school a wonderful place for growing minds and bodies. I think the slideshow at the general meeting showed just what CPPP is about--encouraging each child to bloom, just as they are. It is truly humbling to be a part of such a nurturing, child-centered place.

The 4's class will finish this year with a field trip on May 19th to Campbell's Dolphin Pet Village to examine some underwater life. We will enjoy the warm weather on Monday, May 24, with a water day, and we will celebrate the last day of school with some freshly made ice cream. The fun won't end there! We will get together on Friday, May 28th, to wish good luck to our 4s class on Completion Day. Family and friends of the 4s class are welcome to attend. A short ceremony will begin at 10, followed by snacks and playground fun. We hope to see you there. Special thanks for the 3s class for hosting this event.

Much affection and good wishes for a fantastic summer,
Teacher Erica



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REMINDERS!

- ❖ Summer School—We still need students for summer school or it will be cancelled. It is for incoming and outgoing 3's (children going into the 3's and 4's in the fall). Even if you're not able to attend, tell a friend!
- ❖ The Melaleuca fundraiser is now set up and without spending any more money you could be donating 5% to our school.

We all buy products to clean our homes and to keep our families healthy. You may already be getting these products at stores like Target, Costco, and the like. Melaleuca is an eco-minded company that offers products that are non-toxic, biodegradable, concentrated, and very affordable.

If you'd like more information about this company and how your purchases can benefit our preschool, please email Huong Remotigue, huongremo@gmail.com. In the meantime, please visit www.melaleuca.com/ps and take a look around.

Thank You!

- ❖ A special thank you to our wonderful teachers, board members, and parents for making this yet another fantastic school year for us all!
- ❖ Thank you to Stacy Laughlin for all her photography skills and for organizing and creating a yearbook for the 3's class.
- ❖ Thank you to Michelle Dudley for the wonderful slideshow presentation. It seems everyone enjoyed it! A very big THANK YOU for organizing the year end party and auction. What an amazing job you did!
- ❖ I would just like to thank our 3's class coordinator Shannon Rafat for the excellent job she has done this year. It has been a really smooth year with excellent field trips and coverage by the parents on their workdays.
- ❖ Our school Treasurer, Vaish Gopal, will be moving this summer. She has done an excellent job keeping the finances of our school in good condition and spending extra time on assembling charts and cost records for us to use for budgeting. A big thank you for finding and pursuing the errors with State Fund for the second year in a row, Vaish. We will miss you so much.
- ❖ The last but definitely not least "Thank You" goes to the Executive Board and Parents Board of CPPP. Thanks for all the extra work, discussions, voting and problem solving you did this year. :-)