



NEWBURY OAKS PRESCHOOL

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION CENTER

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August Adventure!

During the month of July our students learned about Space (ages 3-6) and Nursery Rhymes (ages 2-3). The older children enjoyed learning about the sun, moon, stars, and planets. Children worked at collecting data in our space station. Our younger classes read and sang many Nursery Rhymes and made art projects to accompany the rhymes. Each class had a teddy bear picnic with teddy grahams, teddy bears and other stuffed creatures.

This month we are embracing the African Wildlife: The Desert & The Rainforest. Children are learning about the different animals' traits and their adaptations for living in their unique environments. The students will create their own interpretations of giraffes, lions, and snakes. They will also enjoy wearing masks and acting like the animals.

In celebration of the end of summer, we will be having a special s'mores snack on Monday, August 20 and Tuesday, August 21. Please

let your child's teacher know if you would like your child to have something other than a s'more for snack. We use Honey Maid graham crackers, Kraft jet-puffed marshmallow cream and Hersey's chocolate.

Our Enrichment Center is currently enrolling children for our Preschool Preview Classes which will begin in September. Preschool Preview drop off classes will be offered Monday—Friday from 9:00am-12:15pm for ages 18-36 months. Children can attend up to 3 days per week. Our preschool preview teacher for the new year is Ms. Sarah!

Ms. Sarah has been teaching at Newbury Oaks since the day we opened, September 1, 2009. She has taught our two year old class, our Kinder Camp class and our preschool preview class.

Ms. Sarah was born in Niles, MI and lived there for twenty-eight years. Ms. Sarah earned her Associates in Arts degree from Lake Michigan College and her Associate in Science degree from Indiana University at South Bend.

Ms. Sarah has been married to her wonderful husband, Tom, for twenty-four years and has two fantastic children, Victoria, 18, and Valerie, 17. Ms. Sarah's daughters keep her and Tom very busy at home. Victoria is majoring in Biology at Cal State Long Beach and Valerie loves to play tennis and attends Thousand Oaks High School. The girls keep the family schedule going around the clock!

Ms. Sarah has taught in a childcare center since 1992. During that time, she has worked all over the United States due to her husband's job. From Michigan, Tennessee, Texas and California, Ms. Sarah has worked

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Dates to Remember!

- AUGUST 20 & 21—PAJAMA DAYS
- SEPTEMBER 3—SCHOOL CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
- SEPTEMBER 4—1ST DAY OF FALL CLASSES
- OCTOBER 10—FARM FIELD TRIP SCHOOL CLOSED
- OCTOBER 13—FAMILY DAY 10AM

with many families in many preschools. She Ms. Sarah feels fortunate to be working at Newbury Oaks and she looks forward to having a lot of fun working with this great staff, students, and the parents of our school in the upcoming year.

We will miss all of our TK and Kindergarten students as they head off to their new schools. Our staff is honored to have worked and cared for with your child and family during this special time in their lives. We welcome visits from our past students!

Congratulations to Richard & The Sleeman Family and Finnley & The Berry Family on their new baby boys!



Sunscreen & Diaper Cream

Please apply sunscreen to exposed skin before school. If your child stays at school past 3:30, we would be glad to reapply sunscreen after his/her nap. Please hand your child's sunscreen to his/her teacher with your child's name on it and sign the permission form regarding this matter. If you need a permission slip, please stop by or email the office. If your child requires diaper cream, please follow the same procedure.



Home School Connection



A wonderful way to gain a better understanding of the beautiful creatures we are learning about this month is to visit a zoo. The Santa Barbara Zoo is located 50 miles from Newbury Park and maintains a mild climate throughout the year. Children can enjoy play areas and a train ride as well as the exhibits inhabiting 500 animals. Visit their website for more information www.sbzoo.org.

It's a Stay at Home Day!

If your child is vomiting, home is best.
He should also skip school with a rash on his chest,
Or a rash on the rest, if he's got nits or lice,
'cause to send him to school really wouldn't be nice.
If he's running a temp of a hundred degrees,
And his glands feel like lumps when you give him a
squeeze,
When he's got a sore throat,
When his eyes start to drain,
If he's got diarrhea or stomach ache pain,
If he tells you, "Oh Mommy, I just don't feel good!"
Then please keep him home like you know that you
should.



Enrichment Classes

In September we will resume our regular Enrichment Class schedule. Soccer will be offered on Mondays, Cooking on Tuesdays, Spanish on Wednesdays, Music on Thursdays and Gymnastics on Fridays. Enrichment Classes will begin the week of September 10, so that our new students will have a chance to adjust to their new classrooms and teachers prior to adding the enrichment classes.



NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS:

The State of California Department of Social Services sets certain standards for the safety and well being of all children. The current requirements from this agency refer directly to the Sign-In/Out sheets that are on the clipboards outside each classroom. The state is requiring that the adult signing the child in or out do so by signing their full legal name and enter the time of day the child is accepted into the school and the time of day the child is released from the school.

These sheets are legal documents and are the only required record of the children placed in our care for the day. It is **EXTREMELY** important that you sign your child in and out. In case of an emergency and evacuation, these clipboards are our only means of knowing which children are attending school or if anyone has been picked up early.

The Department of Social Services collects a \$100.00 fine per unsigned child in a facility. In the event that we receive such fines due to lack of signatures, we will have to collect the fine from the appropriate families. Please help us keep our children safe by signing them in an out correctly. Thank you for your continuous help in this matter.