

Mira Mesa Presbyterian Preschool Newsletter

March
&
April
2014



Director's News

Dear MMPP Families,
I would like to send each of you a heart felt thank you for your support for me. You must know that your kind words and prayers will continue to be with me in the days to come.

My husband Mike and I were married for 45 years so I have many lovely memories of our life together with our 3 daughters, grandchildren and extended family. God continues to Bless me with a wonderful place to work, staff that is as dear to me as family and all of the children of MMPP.

As one of the children on room 4 told me, "we have lots of happy here!"

Thank you also for your generous donations for the playground tree and bench in Mike's memory. This will certainly be a wonderful place to observe the happy-fun children create while playing on the playground.

Love from,
Diane

Chapel Day News

At our last visit with Pastor Brad he was teaching the children about how God wants us to love others. Pastor Brad asked the children how they could help a sad friend. One of our thoughtful four year olds had this to say, "You could tell him a joke!"

REGISTRATION REMINDER!

If your child is returning to MMPP for the 2014-15 school year your **MUST** re-register. On March 17 we will accept new students into the school, if you forget to register we may not have a place for your child!

We are also registering for SUMMER SCHOOL.
*Please invite your interested friends to come tour preschool.

School T- Shirts

We still have several school t-shirts for sale in the school office.

Does your child need one to wear on our Zoo Trip? Just \$9.00 per shirt.

March Field Trip Thursday 3/20 Friday 3/21 8:30 a m

We are looking forward to our spring field trip to the San Diego Zoo.

Look for a flyer in your child's file to read about the details.

It is important for everyone to arrive by 8:30 so we can organize our group to be ready for the 9 am Zoo entrance. If you are not on time you may have to pay the full entrance fee.



PARENT EDUCATION EVENING

Wed April 9
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Several of our teachers will be addressing the topic of "Positive Discipline" for school and home!

After a brief presentation the teachers will accept questions from the audience.

SAFETY ISSUE!!

Parents we need your **HELP.**

We are noticing several children playing running games on the concrete in front of the school.

This is a very dangerous place to run. A few years ago one of our students suffered a concussion from a fall on the concrete. Let's work to keep our children safe!

Parents Night Out!!!

Friday April 25

5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Are you ready for some “adult time”? A quiet dinner or a movie without the kids? But what to do with the kids? We have the perfect answer!!!

Bring your children to preschool for a few hours on a Friday night! Several of our staff are volunteering to care for the children. Our future plans for the playground include building a new playhouse building so we are starting the fund with the proceeds from this evenings income!

Cost: \$30.00 for 1 child, \$15.00 for a second child. Open to preschool children (must be potty trained) up to age 10. A flyer will be sent home. Space is limited, sign up in the office beginning April 7th.

New Fence Covering

A special “THANK YOU” to the many parents and children who helped remove the old plastic slats from the playground fence. I'm sure you will agree the new solid covering looks great and provides needed privacy for our children. Thank you Scripps-Poway Fencing Company!



St. Jude's Trike-a-Thon

March 26 & 27

Each spring we ask out families to participate in this very worthy fundraising event for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

St. Jude's is a non-profit children's hospital located in Memphis, Tenn. Children from all over the world receive free medical care at St. Jude's. One of our former students, Steven Bell, was stricken with a brain tumor. At the age of nine he and his family spent several months at St. Jude's. Steven, who is now 19 and in college, is cancer free and we pray he remains healthy. His health is due to the free treatment he received at this amazing hospital.

As in past years we are asking children to bring their bike, trike or scooter and helmet to school on the above dates. In the front parking lots there will be two speeds of riding tracks, for safety. Mrs. Erickson's class will be using the bike path on the playground. The children will be riding up to half an hour, beginning at 8:45. Parent participation is needed for safety.

Fundraising materials will be sent home prior to the event so that you can seek tax deductible donations from family and friends. We usually raise over \$1,000!

Valentine Basket Drawing

We would like to thank everyone for supporting the Valentine Basket Drawing. There were six happy winners and we earned \$930.00 for new toys!

Winners

Am Barnera—Pamper Yourself
Megan Bowers— In the Garden
Ananya Jain—Disney
Anita Barker— Family Fun in the Kitchen
Pinakin Dhamahere & Eric Flint—Gift Cards

DATES TO SAVE

- March 20 & 21 Field Trips to San Diego Zoo
- April 9 (Wednesday evening 6:30—7:30) Parent Education evening.
- April 16 & 17 Easter Celebrations
- April 18 Good Friday - No School
- April 25 (Sat. 5:30 to 8:30) Parent's Night Out!
- May 8 & 9 Crazy Hair Days
- May 15 & 16 Messy Paint Days
- May 29 & 30 Family Breakfasts
- June 5 & 6 Celebration Sings & Last days of school
- June 17 Summer School begins