Welcome!

We hope that you all enjoyed the semester break and had special time to spend with family and friends. We had some fun here at the Children’s Center during Winter Session and accomplished a few maintenance items. You may have been here while the redwood trees were trimmed or the new Fire Alarm system installed.

May 3rd Open House

We are planning for our traditional Spring Open House on May 3rd. We have all the classrooms open for visits and enjoy a lovely outdoor potluck. That same evening we will also be featuring the very popular event: the children’s clothing exchange! This is how it works: bring in any and all gently used children’s clothes and shoes that your child has outgrown. We will sort and arrange by size in the Bella Room. During Open House, shop and take as many items as you can use. All leftovers are donated to a local shelter. Start saving your child’s outgrown clothes now, this is a great chance to clean out those closets and benefit other families here at the Children’s Center!

“Bun-Bun” the Rescued Rabbit

Last year we welcomed a new pet to the Bambini yard: Bun-Bun, a rescued rabbit. Bun-Bun has quite the life story involving a swimming pool rescue and adoption by the Bambini teachers. Bun-Bun has a well-developed skill for tunneling out and escaping, although he does always return. We want to construct a more permanent enclosure for him that will also improve access by children so they can go in and visit with Bun Bun. To raise some funds for this project, we are planning a Bun-Bun tee-shirt fund raiser! Some of you may have seen Teacher Katie and her staff wearing the proto-type shirts! Watch the lobby for more information and samples of our new Bun-Bun’s logo tees.

Classroom/Teacher/Phone

Bambini 1 / Jina... 278-5111
Bambini 2/ Katie ... 278-5112
Bambini 3 / Theresa ... 278-5113
La Casita 1/ Dao/Veronica ... 278-5115
La Casita 2/ Mary... 278-5116
Casa 1/ Jenessa... 278-5114
Casa 2/ Cal ...278-2114
Casa 3 /Alma and Fellowship Teacher Rocio ...
278-5127 / 278-5128
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Children’s Center Traditional Event This Spring

We have a long standing Spring tradition to celebrate the Week of the Young Child. This year the designated week is April 14-20. [www.naeyc.org/woyc]
We will hold our annual "Day on the Quad" April 18. For this special day, we set up outdoor classrooms in the Library Quad and run our entire program outdoors for the day. The goal is to increase the visibility of children on campus as well as to simply celebrate children and childhood.

Families are encouraged to participate and spend time with us out on the quad.

It is a huge effort that we need a lot of help with. There will be opportunities for you to help with donations and volunteering. Please watch for more information as we get closer to April.

"Wisdom begins with wonder"
Socrates

Special Recognition: At the recent ASI awards banquet the Children’s Center was awarded the “Celebrating our Differences” award. You can see our lovely plaque and artwork in the lobby!

Reminders

Our health and wellness policies have been pretty successful in keeping us healthy each year. We know there is an increased concern with the flu in California and our Public Health officials are saying what we already know: The best line of defense is basic hand washing!

Please remember that as you arrive in the classroom, you and your child should wash hands together. This way you are modeling wellness habits for your child.

The teachers have also asked me to remind families to label everything that comes to the center with your child’s name. We know you want your things back, and a name will help us all!

Dates to remember:

Spring Break Center Closed
March 28 & 29

Center Closed for Cesar Chavez Day
April 1

Day on the Quad
April 18

Spring Open House
May 3

Spring semester ends
May 17