

# March 2010 Newsletter



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## Is it Spring yet!?

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences with the Teachers will be held during the week of March 22.

### Spring Break

Spring Break is March 29 - April 2. We will be offering optional childcare that week for those who signed up. The cost will be \$45 per day, which just covers our costs of staying open.

### Thanks to those who took advantage of our Parent's Night out

This night and the one in December helped cover the cost for many of our staff to attend the annual Early Childhood Conference in Albuquerque on March 6

### It's registration time

In-House registration ends on Friday, March 12. We will start filling spots from our waiting list and accepting new families March 15.

### We welcome Desiree Roybal and Kim Ray to our staff

Desiree joined us as a part-time Teaching Assistant. She previously worked at the Ark and currently attends Northern New Mexico College pursuing an Early Childhood degree. Kim also joins us as a Teaching Assistant. She previously worked at the Ark and Little Forest.

As always, please don't hesitate to bring any concerns or suggestions to our attention. You may reach Susana and Cheri at [director@sagecottage.us](mailto:director@sagecottage.us) or 672-0534. We appreciate your support!

Thanks.

Susana & Cheri

# Transition Class

Dear Families:

Spring is almost here!

This month is full of discovery about birds, nests, new life, and flowers. We also will acquaint the children with the continent of Asia with food, people, and animals being the focus. We will prepare rice in a rice cooker and make rice balls with chocolate (teriyaki) sauce.

We have a field trip coming up on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to Bradbury Science Museum for Dr. Seuss' Birthday celebration and another to the Children's Museum in Santa Fe on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

We are looking forward to meeting with you all during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please sign up for a day/time on the list posted in our class.

We welcome Ave Bean to our class from the Infant/Toddler room. She is doing great.

Our school is looking for someone to take over coordination of our gardens. It involves working with the kids growing plantlings, planting them and seeds in the gardens and helping care for them. Please let us know if this is something you would be willing to do this spring and summer.

Thank you,  
Ms. Tanya  
Ms. Alyssa

# INFANT and TODDLER CLASS

Hi Infant/Toddler Families:

You have precious children and we are enjoying their inquisitive natures. They are all starting to talk more and are able to let us know their needs.

In March we will introduce the children to all types of birds - small ones and big ones, as well as their habitats.

We hope summer is around the corner. We are hearing the birds and watching our flowers pop through in our garden.

Asia is the theme for the older classes, so we will join in and make rice in a rice cooker. We will try to make rice balls. EAT THEM TOO!!

We hope to start going to Music and Movement again on Wednesdays at the library.

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be Wed. & Thurs. afternoons, March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The Sign-up sheet is up.

The Infant Room would like to welcome our newest infant, Alexander Sheats. He has missed school lately due to illness but we hope he is feeling better and will be back with us soon.

Owen is almost walking. He is taking a few steps by himself. He has also started feeding himself.

Curtis has learned new words. He is talking more.

Thanks for all your support thus far. You are always welcome in the classroom anytime you can stay awhile.

Ms. Beth, Ms. Jennifer, Ms. Juanita, & Ms. Tammy

# Early Childhood

Dear Early Childhood Families:

The children were so excited to share with you what their day is like and it was great to see such a positive response on Parent Night. Thanks to all the parents that joined their children for this event.

This month will take us to the continent of Asia and we will focus mostly on Japan and China. We will study their languages and cultures and in addition we will make rice balls.

In Zoology we will study birds and include art activities.

Reminders:

- We are still in need of some updated family portraits.
- Several Field Trips -
  - March 1<sup>st</sup> - Los Alamos National Bank in Los Alamos
  - March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bradbury Museum for Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration
  - March 17<sup>th</sup> - Children's Museum in Santa Fe
- It is time again for Parent Conferences. Our conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 8AM to 12 Noon. Schedule will be posted soon so that you can sign up for a time to meet with me.

Thank you.  
Ms. Barbara