

Edgewater News



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WELCOME TO EDGEWATER

Collin, Luke, and Edith in the Pixies class! Sierra in the Chipmunks class!



WELCOME TO THE WORLD

Congratulations to Claire in Munchkins and family for welcoming Chloe to the world on July 24th!

SPLASH DAYS

*Sprites and Munchkins: August 6th & 17th *Chipmunks & Muskrats: August 5th & 18th Pixies will have Splash days on all four days. Please send your child to school with their bathing suit under their clothes and with a towel.

Please do not forget to apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school. The children will be able to run through the sprinklers and play in a small pool. The teachers will also go over water safety with the children.

SUMMER CURRICULUM FUN

This month we will continue having special outdoor activities for the children. We will also have a creative art/sensory week filled with splatter ball painting, play dough, water table activities and sand art. The children will also be exposed to a variety of science concepts through digging, mixing water and soap (bubbles) and exploring shaving cream and ice! See the attached curriculum calendar.

VACATION

Do you have any vacations planned? We know things can get a little relaxed, and at the same time hectic during summer, so please remember to let us know ahead of time about planned days off. Knowing this will help us grant some families' requests for extra days and time off for staff. You can stop by the office or email us to let us know of any days you plan on keeping your child out of school.

CSULB STUDENTS

Cal State Long Beach student volunteers will not be returning for the fall semester. The children's health and safety is our priority, and we want to limit the amount of people who come in to our center.



BOON SUPPLY

(Formerly Mixed Bags)

Our Boon Supply (formerly Mixed Bags) fundraiser starts the week of August 30th! The proceeds will continue to support our staff development and yard improvements.

Boon Supply catalog is full of reusable bags varying from lunch, storage, and overnight bags. The school can receive 40% to 50% profit on all items, depending on the size of order. All orders are due into the office on or by Friday, September 24th.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Our new school year starts **Wednesday**, **September 1st.** Yearly \$50 material fees will be charged on September 1st for all children enrolled before March 1, 2021. This will automatically be added to your tuition.

With the new school year and new tuition rates, we will need all families to sign an updated admissions agreement. These agreements will be distributed in your child's sign in/out sheet during the week of **August 16th**. Please take the time to review and initial each item and return it to the office by **Friday**, **August 27th**. We also ask that one parent please stop by the office to initial your child's Emergency Information form and make any necessary changes/updates by **Friday**, **August 27th**.

MEET & GREET EVENT

As September nears, you will receive your new school year packet with an accompanying email, including a link to your child's new classroom video!

On Thursday, September 2nd, the school will be closing at 4pm for our monthly staff development, and from 5:15 to 5:45pm, there will be a parent/guardian only Meet & Greet.

This is an opportunity for parent/guardians to talk with teachers and with other parents, meet the teaching team, tour your child's new classroom and get information about the classroom. <u>Our Meet & Greet is for adults only.</u>

Please note: the school will be closing at 4pm; therefore, childcare will not be offered.

NEW RATES FOR THE FALL

In 2016 the State of California enacted legislation known as the Fair Wage Act mandating businesses to increase minimum wages for hourly rate employees. These increases were to be implemented incrementally over time with different municipalities enacting differing amounts and different launch dates. Some increases have occurred, and some are forthcoming. The next mandated increase is to take effect January 1, 2022.

Due to the significant increased expense associated with this law and to ensure that we maintain our commitment to compensate our employees above minimum wage standards, we will have a 5% cost of quality increase commencing September 1, 2021. This increase will automatically reflect on your monthly tuition charge.

We value our relationship with each family and thank you for allowing us to be part of your child's early education journey. We are committed to offering your family a daily exceptional experience. There is no more important component to the delivery of that experience than our valued educated employees. This cost of increase and raise compensation continues our commitment to that standard. Thank you for your support. We are grateful and will continue to strive to exceed your expectations. (see attached rate sheet effective September 2021)



LOOKING AHEAD

*Thursday, September 2nd: School closes at 4pm for staff development.

*Thursday, September 2nd: Meet & Greet (Adult only event) 5:15-5:45pm

*Monday, September 6th: School Closed in observance of Labor Day

*Thursday, September 16th: National Playdough Day

*Friday, September 24th: Boon Supply Fundraiser due