



Edgewater News



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WELCOME TO THE WORLD

Congratulations to Nicolas in the Pixies class for welcoming baby Carmen to the world!

SPLASH DAYS

***Pixies, Sprites, and Munchkins:**

- Wednesday the 2nd
- Friday the 11th
- Tuesday the 22nd

***Pixies, Chipmunks, and Muskrats:**

- Thursday the 3rd
- Thursday the 10th
- Wednesday the 23rd

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! 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 have a creative art/sensory week filled with splatter ball painting, playdough, 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 about any days you plan on keeping your child out of school.

SPIRIT DAYS!



This month we will be having **Green Days!** This month's spirit day will be on Thursday, August 10th and Friday, August 11th! Children are invited to wear any green apparel!

Cherrydale Fundraiser

Our Cherrydale fundraiser starts the week of August 28th! The proceeds will continue to support our staff development and center wide special activities. The school can receive 40% to 50% profit on all items, depending on the size of order. **All orders are due on or by Friday, September 29th.**

MEET & GREET EVENT

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

On **Wednesday, August 30th**, 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 parents/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. Our Meet & Greet is for adults only.

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

NEW RATES FOR THE FALL

Due to the significant increased expense associated with the Fair Wage Act, inflation, and to ensure that we maintain our commitment to treat and compensate our employees at the professional level they deserve, we will have an 8% cost of quality increase commencing September 1, 2023. This increase will automatically reflect 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 quality increase and rise in 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 2023)**

CSULB STUDENTS

As some of you may know, before the pandemic, Edgewater served as a lab school for the CSULB Family Consumer Science students. We will be opening our doors for the CSULB fieldwork students again this upcoming fall semester starting the week of August 28th!

Some of the benefits of having interns include lower adult to child ratios for daily interactions (children love the extra attention), constant exposure to new and ongoing teaching practices, and new stimulating experiences for children. Edgewater teachers are role models for interns and oversee all guidance and activities involving the children, this sharpens their skills. Interns are never left alone with children, nor do they help in any way with diapering and restroom needs, including changing children's clothes. Interns are required to meet most of the same qualifications as our team members, including background checks and proof of immunizations. They will be wearing vests when performing volunteer hours, so they are easily identified.

NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Our new school year starts **Friday, September 1st**. Yearly \$100 material fees will be charged on September 1st for all children enrolled before March 1, 2023. 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 14th**. Please take the time to review and initial each item and return it to the office by **Friday, August 25th**. 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 25th**.

LOOKING AHEAD

***Monday, September 4th:** School Closed in observance of Labor Day

***Friday, September 15th:** National Playdough Day

***Thursday, September 21st:** School Closes at 4pm for Staff Development

***Friday, September 29th:** Cherrydale Fundraiser due