

FUMPS

FIRST UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL



Hello Dear Families!

Well, the Valentines have all been read, the tables cleaned from all the glue & paint, and the floors swept from all the glitter & parties... all that we have left is the laughter, the smiles, & the love that we all shared on our party days, and that is more than enough to keep us all going here at F.U.M.P.S.!!! I hope all of you had a happy & delightful day with your families.

So here comes March & boy are we busy!! Fall Registration and Pizza for Lunch Bunch, (details follow in this Newsletter), kick off the 1st of this Month. We have registered all of our returning families and will now open up to the public. I want to thank you for all your referrals. It is families like you that help make our preschool great! We get to celebrate Dr. Suess' birthday with former student Victoria Chard's grandmother coming to read to us dressed as the Cat in the Hat. The KidSpace Museum from Pasadena is coming to us to show us some "awe" mazing science experiments. Please be sure to ask your child to tell your family what they learned when you are all gathered around the dinner table that evening. Lucky the Leprechaun will stop by and of course he will cause all kinds of mischief & maybe some gold will spill out of his pockets as he prances through our play yard!!! We will start our Spring Fundraiser with See's Candy, March 2nd. The candy will be delivered to you in time for Easter gifts. As always we appreciate your support as it enables us to bring all the wonderful enrichment programs to your children.

So welcome sweet Spring! Welcome longer days, & welcome to the songs of birds & the sounds of children's laughter that fills the springtime air!

Have lots of fun & take good care of each other,

Karen Wilson



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See's Fundraiser

March 2nd we begin our Spring Fundraiser with See's Candy. Just in time for Easter, order your chocolates and candies for your family, friends, and loved ones. Every dollar we make goes toward our Enrichment Programs such as The Aquarium of the Pacific, Snow Days, Lizard Wizard, etc. Thank you for your faithful participation!

Say cheeeese!

Sunshine Photography is coming to take Spring Pictures on March 17th and 18th. Sibling pictures will be taken between 8 am and 9 am. We will have a picture of the backdrop and props at the office.



Fall Registration Begins

We have tried to register everyone already at FUMPS and now we open up to our waiting list. If you haven't registered or know someone who wants to, please pick up paperwork in the office as we are filling up fast. **Thank you for all of your siblings, relatives, neighbors, friends, and referrals!**



Pizza For Lunch Bunch Begins!

How about "Pizza" for Lunch Bunch? Every Thursday and Friday beginning March 5th & 6th until Lunch Bunch ends May 8th we will be offering "Pizza for Lunch Bunch." For an additional \$2.00 (making the charges \$8.00 for Pizza Lunch Bunch and \$13.00 for Late Pizza Lunch Bunch), your child can buy 2 slices of Capone's pizza (cheese or pepperoni), a glass of milk and fresh fruit. Please write "YES" in the pizza column on the sign in sheet in the morning when you sign your child in. All lunch bunch and pizza fees will be charged to your account and can be paid with the following month's tuition payment. Regular Lunch Bunch continues Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays and children who do not want pizza can bring their own packed lunches. Enjoy!



A special thank you to Didi Anderson from the Elks Vision Screening Project for playing "the pirate game" with our children. If you received a referral, please do follow up with a check-up. "Lazy eye" caught before age five can be completely corrected. We have also discovered that behavior can improve dramatically when a child no longer has to struggle to see. The Elks can help financially with eye doctor visits and purchasing glasses, so please give Didi a call if you need assistance. The Elks also collect old glasses. If you have a pair, bring them to us and we will make sure they get recycled.



With much appreciation to all of the families that generously baked, frosted, chopped and "sprinkled love" on our yummy snacks for our Valentine's Day Parties, we could feel the love through the whole school! Thank you! Thank you, too, for the parents who gave of their time (and seatbelts) to help transport our 4 year olds to Stater Brothers for their field trip. We couldn't do it without you!

Thank you to **Elise** in the Cute Kittens and mom, Mariko, for the foam blocks; to **Luke** in the Little Rascals and family for the apple sauce and graham crackers; to **Emersyn** in the Little Rascals and family for the oranges; to **Sawyer** in the Dancing Daisies and family for the apple juice; to **Jazzilyn** in the Dancing Daisies and mom, Wendee, for the chocolate covered strawberries.

If you have donated something and we didn't get to thank you, please add your name to our donation list. We don't want to leave anyone out. We thank you all!



Happy March Birthdays to...

Friendly Fish

Carlos Madril	3/7
Ezra Henry	3/12
Cole Dunlap	3/21
Lizzy Folsom	3/24

Cute Kittens

Addison Gearhart	3/2
Miles Cloud	3/4
Elise Hara	3/6
Mia Murley	3/12

Rockin' Robins

Aspen Ungerer	3/23
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Birthday

A birthday is a special thing
 With cards & gifts and songs to sing;
 A cake with candles all about
 And wishes when you blow them out;
 And one more year of standing tall
 To add a mark upon the wall;
 A day of extra special fun
 To dream about when it is done.

Margaret Hillert

Just a reminder...

Due to liability issues, siblings not enrolled at FUMPS must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

Thank you.



- 2 Fall Enrollment begins
- 2 See's Fundraiser begins
- 2 Dr. Seuss' Birthday –Cat in the Hat reads 11.15 a.m.
- 11 & 12 Annie Banannie 11 a.m.
- 5 & 6 Pizza for Lunch Bunch begins
- 8 Daylight Savings Time-spring ahead one hour
- 10 & 11 Handprint Plaques
- 16 See's Fundraiser ends
- 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day
- 17 & 18 Picture Day
- 19 & 20 "Awe" mazing Science Experiments
- 23-30 Spring Break – Preschool closed
- 30 NO PRESCHOOL –Teachers in service
- 31 Preschool resumes

We will be closed March 23-30 for Spring Break. Enjoy your week off and we will see you back at school on Tuesday, March 31st.



Hats Off to our Outside Teacher...

Taylor Pfeiffer is a 28-year-old Riverside California native. Her mother attended FUMPS as a young child, leading Taylor, along with her younger sister Kathryn, to attend FUMPS as well in the early 90's. Taylor still has strong, wonderful memories of her time attending the preschool, and it is one of the ultimate reasons she has returned. Taylor's parents were also married at First United Methodist Church before she was born making both the church and the Preschool near and dear to her heart. She earned a Cosmetology license through Riverside City College in 2012 at the age of 21, but has recently decided to return to school to follow her dreams in doing what she loves most, which is working with children. She has completed her core Early Childhood Education classes at Riverside City College and is working towards her ultimate goal of achieving her Bachelor's in ECE. In Taylor's spare time she enjoys being with friends and family, spending time outdoors / anywhere near a body of water, watching baseball, and traveling. She is beyond excited to be working at FUMPS both on the playground and in the classroom, and she believes children learn most through play, spending time with other children, using their instilled imagination and being hands on. She is confident that one day her children will attend FUMPS, as well.



Please welcome baby girl Ludmila Gail Shannon, baby sister of Kitty (Dancing Daisies) and George (Cute Kittens). Born January 29th, 21 inches, 8 lbs. Welcome to the FUMPS family!