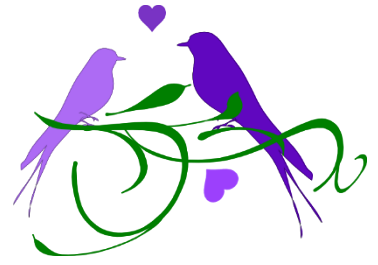
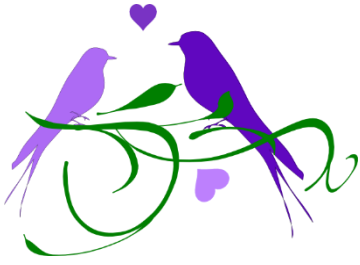


# Saddleback Children's Center

Newsletter

February 2016



"There are three things that remain:  
faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."  
1 Corinthians 13:13



## Message from SCC

With Valentine's Day approaching much focus is placed on the subject of "Love." Throughout the year we work to instill in our students the idea of reaching out to others and showing God's Love. This month we will be teaching children how they can do that by donating \$1 to Scholastic Book Trust! A suggestion may be to have your child take the dollar from their own piggy bank. Please join us as we come together to grow literacy in children!

This month we are learning about Community Helpers. We are pleased to announce that we have a policeman, a dentist, and the Fire Department coming to speak to us. We are excited that they are joining us this month! Blessings to All!

-Carla Leveratt & Meagan Kraszewski

## Room Parent

The Blue Room, Yellow Room, Room #3, & Room #2 do not yet have a room parent. This is great opportunity to get involved in the classroom.

Joy Kemmerle has agreed to be the Room Parent Liason. She can help you with any questions & will help coordinate teacher appreciation week. Please talk to your teacher or Meagan in the office if you are interested.

## Ice Sculpture Day



You may have already heard your child talk about how they got to help in the garden!





## Important Dates

### **SCHOOL CLOSED:**

- \* Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>: Teacher In-Service
- \* Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>: Presidents' Day

### Santa Margarita Pediatric Dentistry Visit:

Thursday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> and

### RSM Children's Dentistry Visit

Friday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM

They will be here to talk to the children about dental hygiene. They will share a short movie and talk about the importance of brushing and flossing. *Each child will receive a gift.*

### Valentine's Day Parties:

Wednesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and

Thursday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day with a party and Valentine card exchange in each class.

PLEASE DO NOT ADDRESS YOUR VALENTINE CARDS WITH INDIVIDUAL NAMES. Rather, have your child sign each card with your child's name.

If your child is here 5 days, you will need to bring cards to pass out on both days.

(This does not include Miss Carla's 5-day class. They will have their party on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.)

### Officer Friendly Visit:

Thursday, Feb. 18 and Friday, Feb. 19  
at 10:00 a.m.

A police officer in uniform will visit our school to talk to the children about safety. Children love to be able to see and talk to a police officer personally. (They will also bring a patrol car so children can look inside.)

### Chancy and Bruce Parent Info Night:

Thursday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held in the church to discuss the kindergarten readiness screening that will take place early February. Screening results will be handed out at this time and reviewed as a group. Questions about your child's results can be asked privately following the group presentation. This meeting is for PARENTS ONLY please!

### Fire Department Visit:

Thursday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.  
(dates dependent upon Fire Dept.'s availability).

The Orange County Fire Dept. will be visiting our school at 10:00 a.m. We feel that it is very important for the children to learn about our fire department and all they do for us. The fire fighters will talk about fire safety and show the children their fire truck. They will also show us how they look dressed in their fire protective clothing and breathing masks. This is a fun and exciting program for our children!

# THANK you!

You may have noticed by now how securely the front doors and the gate by the kitchen are closing.

A special thank you to the Rosenberger family and Barr Commercial Door for making these repairs for our school!

The safety of our children is a priority!



# Book Trust

## How It Works

Donate \$1 to Book Trust and every penny of it will go toward a monthly allowance that lets children in need choose their own FREE Books from Scholastic Reading Club.

It may be fun and a great lesson in giving to let your child donate from their own piggy bank!

Please look for a "treasure chest" in the courtyard for your donations.

## Music on the Play Yard

We want to make music on the play yard and we could use your help! We would love if you could bring items from home for the children to create music.

Examples:

- Pots, Pans & Lids
- Metal/ Wooden/ Plastic Utensils
- Painter Buckets
- Tupperware



We will have a box in the courtyard for your donations

## Chancy and Bruce Kindergarten Readiness Screening

Kindergarten screening is scheduled for Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, and Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. We will once again be having Chancy and Bruce on campus to do our screening for us. This will be for our 4 and 5-year old students that are potentially preparing for Kindergarten in the fall. Parents will need to complete permission slips and pay the \$50 fee prior to the testing date. Please make checks payable to: Chancy and Bruce Educational Resources, Inc. and turn into the office.

**Reminder: Forms are due back February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

A parent meeting will be held in the church on Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., to review the screening process and receive your child's results.

## Reminders

- ❖ **Cool Weather Warning:** Please make sure your child has a jacket with his/her name inside. We have many jacket "look-a-likes" and we want to make sure that each jacket goes home with the right child.
- ❖ **Tuition:** Tuition is due the first of each month and payable until the 10<sup>th</sup>. Payments received after the 10<sup>th</sup> will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee.
- ❖ **Sign-In:** When dropping off or picking up your child you must sign them in/out each day. **If not, you may be called to return and sign your child in/out.** No one under the age of 18 may pick up a child from school. Parents/guardians are required by the State of California to sign their child in and out of school each day. Please make sure that you use your full legal signature.
- ❖ **For your tax records:**

Our tax I.D. # is: 93-0782055

Our address is: 30322 Via Con Dios, Rancho Santa Margarita, Ca 92688

You can also find all tax I.D. information on our web site at: [saddlebackchildrenscenter.org](http://saddlebackchildrenscenter.org)

# Parents' Page

You may hear your children talking about “Rabbits in the Hole.” Our teachers have been using the following flannel board story to teach your children about earthquake safety:

Ages: 2 years to 4 years

Advanced Preparation: Cut out trees, rocks, sun, several small rabbits and one large rabbit out of felt. Place felt pieces on flannel board. Begin Story:

Deep in the forest there was a special place where all the little bunnies went to school. They would practice all their bunny lessons like wiggling their noses and hopping and their favorite game hide and seek. For snack they always had carrots to eat because that is what bunnies like to eat most! They enjoyed playing together in warm sun and were safe and happy (Put bunnies up on rocks, playing and hopping while you are telling the story).

One day, Teacher Bunny taught the bunnies a special lesson to help keep them safe. Sometimes lumberjacks would come to the forest to cut down trees for wood. The teacher didn't want her bunnies to get hurt by the falling trees, so when the lumberjacks would cut down trees close to the special bunny school the teacher would say...

“RABBITS IN THE HOLE!”

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All the little bunnies quickly hopped down in a hole under the rocks (The felt tree falls on the rocks). There they would stay until the teacher could see that it was safe to come out. The she would say...

“RABBITS COME OUT!”

And all the little bunnies would climb out from under the rocks and play.

Drill:

“We’re going to play, ‘Rabbits in the Hole’ at school today.’ The first thing we’re going to do is try to roll up like a little ball, just like a bunny rabbit” (Duck and Cover position). Have the children practice until they are all in the same position. “Now you can sit up. We do not live in a forest but sometime we might need to be safe from things that fall during an earthquake. We don’t have any rocks to crawl under. What do you think we could use that is in our room to protect us?” Hopefully you will elicit a response of “the tables!” “Great, when I say, ‘Rabbits in the Hole’ you can get under the tables, curl up like little bunnies and hold onto the legs of the tables. Remember, to stay there until I say ‘Rabbits Come Out.’”

Practice three or four times. Make sure arms and legs are tucked under the table. Teacher may climb under too if room permits. However, the teacher should always assume the duck and cover position to role model for the children and protect her/himself!



# Registration Time is Here!

Open enrollment begins February 1, 2016 for the 2016/17 school year.

As a reminder, please return your registration forms to the office so you can have priority placement.

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*register*  
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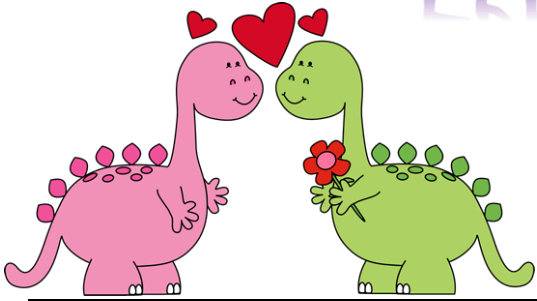


To receive your \$100.00 credit, the family that registers must tell us that you sent them.



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## February Concepts

Color: Pink  
Number: 6  
Shape: Heart



M	T	W	TH	F
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February Bible Verse: "God will help you"