

CHILDREN'S HOUSE CHATTER

Friday, April 17, 2009.

CLASS PICTURES were taken on Thursday. We should have the proofs next week so that you may place orders if you wish.

SUMMER SCHOOL begins on Monday, June 1. Your child must be registered in order to attend summer school. The registration cost is \$75.00.

MEMORIAL DAY The school will be closed on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. There will be no classes and no child care on that day.

The last day of school year 08-09 will be Thursday, May 28. The school will be closed on Friday, May 29 for our teachers' workday.

SPRING CLEAN UP Please join us from 9:00am-1:00pm this Saturday. We will clean up, paint & plant! Bring your gloves and gardening tools – we'll be getting dirty! We thank Joey Willoughby for getting a head-start on things – he has repaired all the garden benches this week – they look great!

SPARE CLOTHING Now that the warmer weather is here, please take a minute to check that your child has an ample supply of lighter clothing at school. Thank you.

We are glad to have Ms. Sheila Kuonen back with the Juniors after a prolonged bout of bronchitis and laryngitis. Ms. Jasmine worked with the Juniors while Ms Sheila was out. This week, in addition to the usual work schedule, the Juniors went to the library; shared their Time-Lines; and worked on land-forms; and rehearsed their Spring Play. The field trip to the Zoo is to be re-scheduled. The Juniors celebrated Claudia and Katie's birthday last week.

OUTSIDE CLASS The 5-year olds have been working on dynamic addition and working with our new time lessons. They've also been reading our new set of Bob Books.

We are no longer doing our group snack at 10:30am. Instead, the children serve themselves snack at a small work table. This allows the children to practice pouring, and grace & courtesy. This also gives them the freedom to choose when they would like to eat.

We are learning the Ocean song in Spanish. We are also practicing counting in Hindi, and Spanish.

DOWNSTAIRS TODDLER CLASS We are excited about Clean-Up day and hope you can come and help out for a few hours. If you have any spare plants/seeds/garden decorations to spare we'd love to have them! This week the children have enjoyed a few of the new lessons that we purchased with money from the PTO.

DOWNSTAIRS CLASS Next week we will begin the study of the "m" sound. Take your child on a "m" hunt around your house searching for things that start with "m", then choose one palm sized object to donate to our "m" lesson.

We would like to make a lesson in which the children match baby pictures of themselves to current pictures. Please send a baby and current picture of your child as soon as possible.

Please remember to send a toothbrush and comb for your child. Thank you!

UPSTAIRS CLASS We have started rehearsing songs for our Spring Play which will be performed on Tuesday, May 26 and Wednesday, May 27. In order to accommodate everyone, parents will be divided into two groups alphabetically – more info later!