

INCLINE VILLAGE NURSERY SCHOOL

APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER

Director's Notes

Spring in the Sierras has finally begun, and we are already down to the last few months of school. I can't believe the year has gone so quickly!

We have two events planned in May and we wanted to remind you that **our annual Art Show will be held the evening of May 27th - outside**. While the Art Show will look different this year due to Covid protocols we are still planning on having this awesome event this year, and we are so excited! Mother's Day Tea will not be held because we can't yet have all the parents sitting in the classroom drinking tea, but **we will have a special surprise for our moms and dads at pick-up time on Friday, May 7th**. Please save the dates for both of those events!

If you are planning on returning to IVNS in the fall we ask that you please submit a registration form ASAP to hold a spot for your child. We have new families registering daily, and it's looking like the next school year will be back up to our regular enrollment numbers - classes are filling up quickly. (whew!)

Speech Screenings

Tahoe Speech Therapy (Molly and Tera Meyer) will be offering complimentary speech screenings at IVNS on Wednesday, April 21st. All students will be given a free screening if their parent signs and returns the permission form (sent home a few weeks ago, or available in our classroom). Many of our students could benefit from some early speech assistance and we highly recommend Tahoe Speech Therapy. They are fantastic, and can help answer any questions that you may have regarding your child's speech.

Star of the Week

Throughout the spring each student will have their own week to shine. During your child's star week, we'll begin by talking about their family photos. If you have not brought in your family photos yet, please do so ASAP!

On the first day of your child's star week we'll send home a "secret sharing sack" which your child can bring back to school with an item inside to share at circle time. Please help your child to choose *one* item to fit in the sack. If it doesn't fit, you can use a larger bag from home.

We ask that you please do not send toys with weapons, or toy weapons in the sharing sack. Help your child to think of descriptive clues for the item because the rest of the class will ask questions to see if they can guess what's inside. Finally, we invite you to send in a favorite book during your child's Star Week, and we'll read it during one of our circle times.

If you have not sent in family photos yet:

Please send in 5-8 photos of your child and family members so we can make a poster for your child. Photos printed on regular printer paper are the best because we will laminate the poster - so please don't send in original photos. Each child will have their own poster of their family photos hanging up in the classroom for the school year, and when it is their week to be the Star we move their poster up to the main circle time board, and they spend a bit of circle time telling us who is in their photos and what they are doing. Baby photos are great, and photos of people they can talk about at circle time.

Star of the Week Schedule

Week of May 3: **Blake**

Week of May 10: **Terrin & Colin**

Week of May 17: **Kason & Nova**

Week of May 24: **Koda & Tyree**

Week of June 7: **Erin & Peyton**

Daily Reminders

Please don't allow your child to bring toys from home into the classroom. We know this is tough, and can sometimes be a morning battle, but it's important that all toys from home stay in the car, or in your child's backpack in the hallway. The only time students are allowed to bring a toy to school to share is during their Star Week - 1 toy only.

We are done with snow clothes (unless it snows again)! The playground is totally dry and it was even warm today. Just a hoodie or light jacket is all your child needs for the playground.

Please take your child to the bathroom *before* class begins. This helps us to maintain proper ratio while we're having drop-offs and handwashing in the kitchen at the same time. It's tough to take students to the bathroom first thing in the morning while we are also trying to do check-ins.




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