



DATES TO REMEMBER

Sensory Screening

The Southern California Sensory Screening will be at our school on **Tuesday, April 5th**. They screen in four different areas including hearing, speech, language, vision and gross/fine motor. The optional screening is available for children three years and over. The cost is \$35 for any two tests or \$40 for all four tests. *Please return enrollment forms with payment by **Monday the 4th** if you would like your child to participate.*

School Closing Early

School will be closing at **4:00pm on Wednesday, April 13th** for staff development.

Week of the Young Child

Week of the Young Child is April 11th through 15th. The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association.

The purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children, their families and to recognize the early childhood programs serving them. We will have a week full of fun activities and themes for the children. (see attached flyer)

Scholastic Book Club

April Scholastic book orders are available by your child's sign in and out table. **Orders are due Thursday the 7th**. Please drop your order form and payment in the box in the office or order online at:

www.scholastic.com/bookclubs

Our school activation code is: **GKJ9B**

UPDATE ON APRIL EVENTS

The following events were **previously canceled**.

- **CANCELED - Spring Family Fest:** Friday, April 1st - Due to the cancellation of this event, we will operate at regular hours on this day 7:00am to 6:00pm. **We will not be closing at 4:00pm.**
- **CANCELED - Tanaka Farms Field Trip:** Tuesday, April 12th



SPRING CURRICULUM



The following are common topics that may emerge this month: "insects", "silkworms", "spiders & snails", "caterpillars & butterflies", and "outer space".

We have already started observing the incubation of chicken eggs. If you haven't already, we invite you to stop by the office during pickup to observe. We will let you know as soon as they hatch.

The preschoolers will also be observing the life cycle of butterflies (going from caterpillars, to chrysalides, to butterflies) in their classroom. We hope to release them by Friday, April 22nd in celebration of Earth Day!

COMMUNITY EVENT

On Saturday, April 30th from 1-4pm, join in Orange Public Library's 4th Annual Children's Day/Book Day. There will be crafts, story time, games, and more. Celebrate a love of books, family literacy, and sharing stories. The event will be held at the El Modena Branch Library located at 380 S. Hewes St.

LOOKING AHEAD IN MAY

*Teacher Appreciation Week – **Week of May 2nd**

*Lemonade Social - **Friday, May 6th**

*School closes at 4:30pm for staff development - **Friday, May 6th**

* Parent Teacher Conferences for Rooms 8, 7, 3 & 1 - **Monday, May 9th through Friday, May 13th**.

***School Closed** in Observance of Memorial Day - **Monday, May 30th**

HANDWASHING REMINDER

Handwashing is one of the best ways to protect yourself and your family from getting sick and the most effective way to prevent the spread of germs.

Washing your hands often, especially during these key times when you are likely to get and spread germs:

- **Before, during, and after** preparing food.
- **Before** eating food
- **After** using the toilet
- **After** blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- **After** touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- **After** handling pet food or pet treats
- **After** touching garbage

Follow Five Steps to Wash Your Hands the Right Way

1. **Wet** your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
2. **Lather** your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
3. **Scrub** your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
4. **Rinse** your hands well under clean, running water.
5. **Dry** your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

This was taken from the CDC website. Please visit the site for more detailed information regarding handwashing and the use of hand sanitizers.
<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>

