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## FEBRUARY 2010 NEWSLETTER

February is picture-taking month at Little Acorn School. Lifetouch will be here on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:00 AM. Picture forms have been put in your mailboxes; please fill these up and return to us on or before the picture days. As in the past, siblings can also have their pictures taken; come earlier so they can have their pictures taken at the start.

Since all children will have their pictures taken, we request that you come not later than 9:15 AM on picture days. Ordered pictures may be delivered in 3-4 weeks. Meantime, we are looking for 2 parent volunteers to help us; each gets their child's pictures FREE. Please let Josefina know as soon as possible.

Valentine's Day will be celebrated in the classrooms on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Children will do their Valentine card exchange and special snacks in the morning. If your child does not normally come on Fridays, you can bring your child on that day to participate and brought home when the Valentine's Day activities are done.

Many Valentine's cards are available from the stores, but you can make and create cards with your child. It will be a lasting memorable experience that both of you can enjoy!

Although we celebrate February as HEALTH month curriculum wise, we will also talk about Groundhog Day (February 2<sup>nd</sup>), Chinese New Year (February 14<sup>th</sup>), Presidents' Day (February 15<sup>th</sup>), Dr. Seuss Week, and Winter Olympic Games. Children may bring "Show and Tell" items on these topics.

Children's progress reports/evaluation forms should have been given to you by now. You can schedule a conference with your child's teacher; schedules are posted at the classroom doors.

We will need your help-

- Baby wipes and diapers for diapered children
- Emergency Food if you have not brought one yet
- A spoon/fork, a napkin and a cup in your child's lunch box
- Make sure to **clean your child's lunchbox** before putting in his lunch.
- Miss Jane is asking for some small unwanted toys that you can donate for her "Market Day", a reward system she has in Red 2 that children look forward to. Thank you very much in advance.
- We will soon be planning for our Spring/April Festival. We will need all the help and ideas we can get. More details will follow.

Our million thanks to Juju's parents for donating a new computer plus new printer, monitor and keyboard to LAS, and to Mason's and Miles's parents for the many Kleenex tissues they supplied us. Many, many thanks also go to our parents for the toys, craft materials, yummy treats, and many other donations they bring. We are very grateful.

Do we have your updated address and emergency telephone number?

Six teachers- Virginia, Lilia, Jane, Vangie, Avelino and Josefina- participated in the UC Davis workshop "Scientific Inquiry for Young Children" on January 9<sup>th</sup>. This workshop/training was funded by the Child Development Division of the California Department of Education in partnership with Sunnyvale Youth, Family and Childcare Resources. They will again participate in early childhood education training in March.

LAS is closed on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, to observe Presidents' Day Holiday.

We welcome back Tom Perloff as our new School Board chairman. We are happy to still have our former chairman, Jay Bhattacharya, as a church and parent Board member. Another member, Gayle Rosenberry, may be unavailable starting February to serve in the school board. We sincerely thank her for all the support and invaluable ideas she has given Little Acorn School.

The next Board meeting is on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM, Room 7, LAS Bldg. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**