



Wah Mei School

Bilingual Education Since 1974

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Wah Mei School Newsletter

December - 2016

Wah Mei Important Dates:

12/02 Fire Drill in pm

12/02 Holiday Faire 5:00~8:30

12/09 Earthquake Drill in am

12/12 Parents and Teachers conference week

12/26 Christmas Holiday School Closed

01/02 New Year Day –School Closed



Teddy Bear / Honey Bear Class Greetings

We continue to benefit from outside resources that enrich and support our school program including Ms. Kathleen from the Sunset Library, Tandem books for the weekly book bags, Asian Art museum and Ivania from the Dept. of Public Health for the dental screening. This month in December come walk through the classrooms as we decorate for the holidays and winter season.

Several classes are holding parent conferences this month. Please sign-up with your child's teachers.

TB/HB Class



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Teddy Bears /Honey Bears Activities Highlight

This month we want to celebrate family and friends and focus on social-emotional understanding

Have a sense of self (feeling good, I can do it)

Social skills

Recognize, express, manage wide range of feelings

Tandem

Our class will decorate the classroom with their own work and pictures independently and with their classmates. We invite you, the Teddy and Honey families for activities and a potluck food sharing time on Thursday or Friday Dec 15th & 16th - Flyer will be given out.

We want to build your child's confidence. Let them share feelings and ideas, and just spend time doing things with you and their friends and feel loved and supported (Tandem)

Preschool Learning Foundations:

3.1 Group participation

Participate positively and cooperatively as group members, social expectations, group rules and rules

3.1 Friendships

Friendships are more reciprocal exclusive and enduring

* Any other special announcements, wish list, requests for parent involvement, etc.

Parents please bring something to share in class for our Christmas party (finger food is encouraged and some drinks)

Special Thanks: TB/HB

Extra special thanks to the parents of Airi Rai for sharing about the Republic of Indonesia and all the materials they brought in. The Teddy Bears learned about the country's location, flag, customs, food, animals and more. The students got to play a drum, see a beautiful handmade batik dress, decorated hats and each one received a packet of colored cards about the country.

Noah-Cake,

Vitas and Ellie-snacks

Alvin's grandparents-homemade won ton

Important Dates:

Library date: Teddy Bears 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22,

12/29 Honey Bears 12/8, 12/15

Christmas party Teddy Bears Thurs. Dec 15th @

9:15am

Christmas party Honey Bears Fri. Dec 16th @1:30pm

Parent conf. Honey Bears Dec 28th- 30th

Teddy Bears Jan 4th - 6th

Birthdays -TB Jared, HB Logan

Busy Bees Class



Activity Highlight:

The Busy Bees had a blast at the Asian Art Museum last month. They had two story/gallery tours Roly Poly Rice Ball and Mei Ling and the Dragon.

The holiday season is here! The children have been asking about Christmas for some time! They are most excited about the Christmas tree; they are going to help decorating the classroom. Some children mentioned they have never seen snow before; we are going to create snow with insta-snow and shaving cream. We will also going to make marshmallow snowman and snow globes.

Our first parent-teacher conference is scheduled on the week of Dec 12. Reminders will be sent via email and a note will be left in your mailbox. If you have any questions, please let us know! We look forward to seeing you.

Important Dates:

Happy Birthday to Cali, Rylan and Yowiney!

12/ 5 Holiday Faire

12/9 Earthquake Drill

12/13, 12/15, 12/16 Parent-Teacher Conference

12/26 School Closed

Library: 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29

Special Thanks:

Thanks **Cali** for the crackers!

Preschool Learning Foundation:

- Observation and Investigation 1.5-Make predictions and check them, without adult support, through concrete experiences
- Develop Skills in Visual Art 2.5-Begin to recognize and name materials and tools used for visual arts
- Mathematical Reasoning 1.0-Use mathematical thinking to solve problems that arise in their everyday environment

Class Wish List:

- * Clear jars
- * Large & Jumbo Kraft marshmallows
- * Pretzel sticks
- * Variety of gummy candies
- * Edible candy dough
- * Candy eyeballs
- * Frosting
- * Sprinkles

Fireflies Class



Activity Highlight:

This month we will continue to focus on Myself. We will have a measuring project to measure the children's height and then we will do a chart on the wall to show the children how his/her height is compare with other classmates. We will also do a weigh project to see how much they weigh. Besides, we will ask the children what kinds of food they like and tell them to write or draw a picture on a piece of large paper to show which of their favorite food are same or different.

Special Announcement:

Library:12/01, 12/8, 12/15, 1/22, 1/29
parent-teacher conference on 12/12 and 12/14

Panda Bears Class



Activity Highlights:

December is a wonderful time to recognize and learn the different holiday traditions celebrated in our country, such as Hanukah, Kwanzaa, and Christmas. If you would like to share your traditions with us, please let us know! We will discuss the season of winter as well as read and compare different versions of "Gingerbread Man" in circle time. Panda Bears will participate in a gingerbread man hunt to find the missing cookies around the school. Some art & craft projects you will see are origami snowflakes, wooden stick snowflake ornaments, snowman name and jingle bell bracelets. We will make pretend snow using baking soda and conditioner for our sensory play area. We will also learn how to make cookies using various holiday cutters and decorate it with icing or sprinkles. Happy holidays to our families!

Special Thanks to:

- * A big THANK YOU to everyone for bringing food to our Thanksgiving potluck.
- * Gabriel's dad for sharing the link of "The More We Get Together" performance.
- * Ellie's family for putting the performance videos on a USB and donating a baseball glove to class.
- * Bradley's family for the sweet and tangy clementine.
- * Josephine's mom for talking with us about her job, reading a story, decorating cookies and donating a book to the class.

Important Dates:

- * Birthday celebration: Sloane, Gabriel
- * Library visit: every Thursday
- * Sharing day: every Monday

Preschool Learning Foundation:

*** History-Social Science**

1.0 Culture and Diversity - Manifest stronger cultural, ethnic and racial identity and greater familiarity with relevant language, traditions, and other practices.

Show more interest in human diversity, but strongly favor characteristics of their own group.

*** Develop skills in Visual Art**

2.3 Make more representational forms out of dough or clay, using paper and other materials to make two- and three-dimensional works.