



Message from Maddy

February is "Friends at School and in Our Community" month. We will have several special visitors throughout the month; the AG Fire Dept, AG Police Dept, SLO Ambulance Service, Vision Screening from Dr. Hile, Pastor David, and Dr. Beis a dentist. Be on the lookout for notices of these special visitors. If your child does not regularly attend on the day of a visit, you and your child are welcome to come, during the scheduled visit time, to take part in these special events. **If you would like to share your occupation with the children, please contact your child's teacher.**

Rain Gutter Boat Regatta Event is coming soon. This FUN FILLED event will be held on Friday, February 24. *Do you have your boat?* It's not too late! You can still purchase a boat for just \$5. Check your family folders for information on buying or selling "Spaghetti Dinner" tickets for this BIG event. The tickets are \$5 per person. The event will start at 6:30 PM with dinner. Regatta event will begin at 7:00 PM. **We need many hands to make this event fun for everyone.** The success of every event, here at AGUMCC, is made possible by the support of all our wonderful volunteers. Also, watch for the Regatta Bracket weekly up-dates.

If you need an inexpensive Valentine gift idea, we are still selling the **Peel-Off Coupon Booklets for \$10.00.**

The booklet provides discounts and special deals at many Five Cities locations, including: Antonio's Restaurant, Back Door Deli, Boomer's, Burger King, Denny's, Doughboy's, Desire Sweet Shoppe, Gibson Brother's BBQ, Grand Deli, Jalapeno's Restaurant, Jersey Mikes, McDonalds, Nipomo Cleaners, Papa Johns, Rancho Nipomo BBQ, Red Dirt Coffee, Roasting Rooster, Round Table Pizza, Sam's Giant Manhattan Pizza, Seaside Cafe' & Bakery, Subway, The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, Zorro's Station Grill, & Village Café. **This is a gift that will keep on giving all year long.**

Mark your calendar; "Positive Discipline" is coming in March. This six week course is for parents and caregivers. It teaches positive guidance techniques that include connection before correction with kindness and firmness. The classes will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande, in Criswell Hall. It is open to the community. This course will be on Tuesday nights March 6 to April 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. **The series will be lead by Ms. Maddy and Ms. Kristel, Certified Positive Discipline Trainers.** Registration is \$40 per person or \$70 per couple. Childcare is available for \$10.00 per child per session. Registration includes the Positive Discipline book by Dr. Jane Nelsen and a workbook. Positive Discipline offers practical ways to change lives by reducing stress while raising responsible, respectful, and resourceful children. **See the attached registration form to sign**

A TIME WITH PASTOR DAVID

Pastor David's "Fruit of the Spirit" message this month will be about "Love". Ms. Shirley and "Goody Bear" will also have a special message to share with the children. Ask your child about this wonderful time we will be sharing together, on **Wednesday and Thursday, February 22 and 23, 9:30 AM, in the Church Narthex.**

Fruit of the Spirit Focus for the Month:

Love

Love is something that we cannot touch but we express it and experience it in our interactions with God and others.

At school, we are learning to grow friendships with one another through loving actions and words.

"A friend loves at all times" Proverbs 17:17

Dates to Remember

- **Friday, Feb. 3- STAFF DEVELOPMENT and School Spirit Day.** Wear your school T-shirt to show your school spirit. School will close at 3:30.
- **Selected days in February - "FRIENDSHIP DAY"** Please check with your child's teacher for details.
- **Friday, February 24 - RAIN GUTTER REGATTA** Dinner at 6:30 PM and Boat Regatta Races begin at 7:00 PM.
- **Monday, Feb. 20 - SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY**

Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Shirley's Pre-K Class

This month we are looking forward to the many visitors that we will be having come visit our school and to learning about their important jobs in our community. If anyone would like to share his or her occupation with the class, let Ms. Shirley or I know, so we can add it to our calendar of events. This is a great way to have parent participation in the classroom and it will be a lot of fun. Our letters for this month will be 'P', 'Q' and 'R' and our numbers will be 16, 17, and 18. This month is also our "Friendship Celebration". We will be having a class luncheon and I will soon be letting you know the date of this event. There will be a sign up to help with and join the children for lunch on this very special day.



-Ms. Rebecca

Miss Kristel's Preschool Class

February is the month of celebrating love, friendship and "Community Helpers." We will be busy meeting lots of great community helpers and learning about what they do and how they help our community!! We will be preparing my class by talking about the firefighters, police, ambulance and mail carriers that work in our community. Our class will also be celebrating "Friendship Day" this month. We will have a special breakfast so, look for sign-up sheets coming out soon! Also, if any of you are interested in doing story time with the children, feel free to sign up in our class!!! Our Fruit of the Spirit this month is "Love". Tim and Lucy will have lots to say about "Love". Also I have been working on problem solving with the children. Each day, we talk about different ways we can problem solve. The children are getting very good at coming up with ideas! Also PLEASE bring in a self addressed stamped envelope, as soon as possible, for the children to use on a special project!! February is going to be so much fun!! ☐ Truly,



- Miss Kristel

Cindy Bo's Young '3's

It is time again for our month of celebrating love, friendship and "Community Helpers." This is always a very fun time for the children, as we get to meet many "helpers" from our community, hear about the jobs they do, see their tools and equipment, as well as explore some special vehicles. Though most of the children in our group have worked through their fears regarding these "strangers", it is still helpful to talk with them, before being introduced to these scheduled visitors, so

that they know what to expect. The Young '3's will be given the opportunity to dress-up, as these special and meaningful people in our community and act out their jobs, all month long. We will also be reading stories and singing songs about these various community helpers and their jobs. Please bring in a self addressed stamped envelope so your child can mail a special something to you. Your children are invited to bring one thing from home, to share with the group, each week. They may place it in the "Share Basket" to share later, with the group, during "Share Time" You may want to encourage your child to bring something related to "friendship" or "helping", this month, but, if not, that's fine too. We will be having a "Friendship Day Potluck Breakfast" where families are invited to join their children for a meal and activities. Look for sign-ups in the classroom as well as more information, in your family folders, about this special day, planned for Wednesday, February 15, "We Love because He first Loved us" (1 John 4:19). Love to you all!



-Cindy Bo

Ms. April and Ms. Wasinii's Toddlers

Our classroom went through a lot of change last month. This change included Annalie and Abby transitioning from our class to Cindy Bo's Young 3's. Now, with Ms. April ready to start with our incoming group of toddlers, we can begin to settle into our new routine. We are having a great time getting to know our new friends, who started in January, and look forward to getting to know Ms. April and the children who will be joining us this month. This month we will be having many "Community Helpers" come visit our school. This means that things at school may be a little different for the children. We will be preparing the toddlers by talking about the firefighters, police, and ambulance, before they come to visit. Specifically how they are helpers in the community. You, as parents, may help by talking about them at home as well. You can tell your child how they are safe and friendly people, who can help them if needed. This is always an exciting month. There will be lots to see and do as well as a few keepsakes like coloring books, stickers and hats. Our Fruit of the Spirit is "Love". So, be on the lookout for lots of "love" projects to come home. PLEASE bring in a self addressed stamped envelope as soon as possible for the toddlers to use on a special project. Also, be on the lookout for a sign up sheet for our "Friendship Breakfast." Thank you for your support!



-Ms. Wasinii