



Message from Ms. 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, and a Vision Screening from Dr. Hile. We will also have our special Time with Pastor Mary in the Sanctuary. **If you would like to share your occupation with the children, please contact your child's teacher.** See the attached notice, to mark your calendar for all the special visitors. If your child does not regularly attend on the day of a scheduled visitor, you and your child are welcome to join us during these special visit activities.

Its time for our Annual Regatta Event and Pizza Dinner. It will be on Friday, Feb. 26. Dinner tickets for this **BIG EVENT** already went out. Dinner will start at 6:30 PM and will include pizza, salad, dessert, and beverages for \$7 per person. **What a deal!!!** The Racing will begin at 7:00 PM. **Get your boat TODAY!** All ages can race. Registration forms to purchase your AGUMCC boat for \$5 is attached. **Sorry, no outside boats allowed.** Be on the lookout for weekly up-dates on who will be racing in your age bracket. Regatta Bracket will be on the entrance hallway bulletin board. It is amazing how, each year, we sell more boats than the year before. **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.

Mark your calendar: "Positive Discipline" is coming in March. This six week course is for parents and caregivers. It provides positive guidance techniques that include connection before correction with kindness and firmness. The classes will be held at AGUMCC. The class is open to the community. This course will be on Tuesday nights March 1 to April 5 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. **The series will be led by Ms. Maddy and Ms. Rebecca, Certified Positive Discipline Educators.** Registration is \$40 per person or \$70 per couple. Registration includes the Positive Discipline book by Dr. Jane Nelsen and materials. *Childcare is available for \$10 per child, per session, with Pre Registration.* 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 up.**

TIME WITH PASTOR MARY & GOODIE BEAR

Pastor Mary will read "The Children", from Mathew 19:13-15, in the Beginning Bible. "Goodie Bear" will share a "Fruit of the Spirit" teaching on "Love". Ask your child about this wonderful time we will be sharing together on **Tuesday Feb. 2 & Wednesday Feb.3 at 9:10 AM**, in the Church Narthex.

Fruit of the Spirit Focus for the Month: LOVE

Love is something that we cannot touch but we can express 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. 5 - **STAFF DEVELOPMENT and School Spirit Day.** Wear your school T-shirt to show your school spirit. School will CLOSED at 3:30 on this day.
- Selected days in February - **"FRIENDSHIP DAY"** Please check with your child's teacher for details.
- Monday, Feb. 15 - **SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY**
- Friday, February 26 - **PIZZA DINNER AND RAIN GUTTER REGATTA.** Dinner at 6:30 PM and Regatta Races begin at 7:00 PM.

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

Hello Pre-K Families, We had a fabulous January. With the New Year here there was lots of excitement in the air. So many families went on vacation and spent time with loved ones. It is nice to have everyone back and class running as normal. February is here. We will be exploring the wonderful world of space. We will be asking the children what they want to learn about space and build our curriculum from their interests. We will be focusing on the letters, Nn, Oo, and Pp. The focus shapes of the month are Heart and Octagon. The theme is "Friends at School and in Our Community." The "Fruit of the Spirit" is "Love" and our science/nature collection is Recyclable Items. We will be having our Friendship Pot-luck on Thursday, February 11th. Please keep an eye out for the sign-up sheet, to bring healthy treats. It will be a wonderful month "blasting off into space" with our Pre-Kers!



~ Ms. Kassie

Ms. Shirley and Ms. Tresha'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 our class, by talking about the firefighters, police officers, Paramedics and EMTs that work in our community. Our class will celebrate "Friendship Day" this month. Please look for a sign-up sheet, by your child's parent folder area, coming soon. We will be racing our boats, on February 26, during the Ragatta Event, from 6:30-8:00PM. 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, our class puppets, will have lots to say about "Love." We have also been working on problem solving skills, with the children. The children are getting very good at coming up with ideas of how to solve problems on their own! Lastly, please check your child's folder for upcoming events and information. February is going to be so much fun!



~Ms. Tresha

Ms. Claudia and Mrs. Swati's Toddlers

In January children had a lot of fun exploring "snow", cloud dough, and ice. Children learned about animals that live in the arctic, like penguins, polar bears, the arctic fox, and the Orca Whale. We also talked about animals that migrate to warmer areas. We talked about the different kinds of clothes that we wear during winter like mittens, hats, and scarves. In dramatic play, the children had fun making pretend hot chocolate and coffee for each other. We also

counted and graphed the different types of weather that we had; sunny, rainy, cloudy and windy. February is the shortest month of the year and we have much to do! This month's focus is "Friends at School and in Our Community" and International Month of Friendship. We will honor this month with our "Fruit of the Spirit" which is "Love". We will emphasize the importance of friendship and how to be a "friend", through stories and song. We will also talk about the many different emotions and feeling that we all have. We hope that you can join us for our "Friendship Day Party". Watch for the sign-up sheet and more details to follow. "Community Helpers" will be visiting our school this month, too. Children are excited to see and meet different visitors and to explore their vehicles. Through books and discussions we will look at how these friends in our community help us. We would love our families to come and share their professions with our class as well. Ms. Claudia and I would like to thank all our families for their support and help in our classroom. Please sign up again to make playdough and wash the laundry. We really appreciate it. We hope to see all our families at the "Regatta Night". Happy racing everyone!!



~Ms. Swati

Cindy Bo's Young Toddlers

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 (fire truck, police car, etc.). Some of the Young Toddlers may have some fears regarding these "strangers" so it will be helpful for you to talk with them, before being introduced to these scheduled visitors, so that they know what to expect. If your child is not scheduled on the day of a scheduled visitor, you are welcome to join your child and come during that scheduled visit time. Also, the Young Toddlers will be given the opportunity to dress-up as these special and meaningful people in our community and to 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, as we explore the valuable job of our postal workers. Our class will be having a "Friendship Day Potluck Breakfast". 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. Our Friendship Breakfast is planned for Wednesday, February 10. "We Love because He first Loved us" (1 John 4:19). Love to you all!



~Cindy Bo