

the enriching hour preschool

May 2024

Dates to Remember

- May 1-7—
Tuition Due
- May 7—
National Teacher
Appreciation Day
- May 12—
Mother's Day
- May 27—
SCHOOL CLOSED
Memorial Day
- June 27—
Graduation 5:30PM

NOTES FROM OUR TEACHERS

Last month we enjoyed an entertaining and educational presentation from Steve of Saving Wildlife International. He introduced us to many new animals including a tortoise, macaw, alligator, spider monkey, and many more fascinating creatures. Steve also taught us ways we can help the planet stay healthy for us and the animals as we celebrated Earth Day!

May brings beautiful flowers and more spring activities. As in our home gardens, various insects and buzzing bees could appear in our classroom gardens. We will all be learning about life cycles as we enjoy special stories, art projects, and finger plays.

A few Mother's Day surprises will keep us all busy. Treasured happy feelings will be shared as we think of special moments spent with our loving Mommies, Grandmothers, and Aunts.

YEARBOOK

The yearbook pre-sale ends Friday, May 10. The cost is \$30 made out to The Enriching Hour. A limited number of yearbooks will be on sale for \$35.00 after May 10 and will be distributed in June.

SUMMER NEWS

Our preschool classes for the 2024-2025 school year will begin in September. Children will transition to their new classrooms and teachers in September due to our Summer Camp enrollment. Parents will be notified of their child's class assignment and expected teacher in June. We will introduce the children to their new classrooms and teachers the last week of August allowing time for a comfortable transition. Summer Camp is a 3-6 week program teaching and promoting Elementary Readiness skills. It is designed for children transitioning into Kindergarten or TK at the end of August. The last day of Summer Camp is August 16, 2024.

SCHOOL BIRTHDAY NEWS

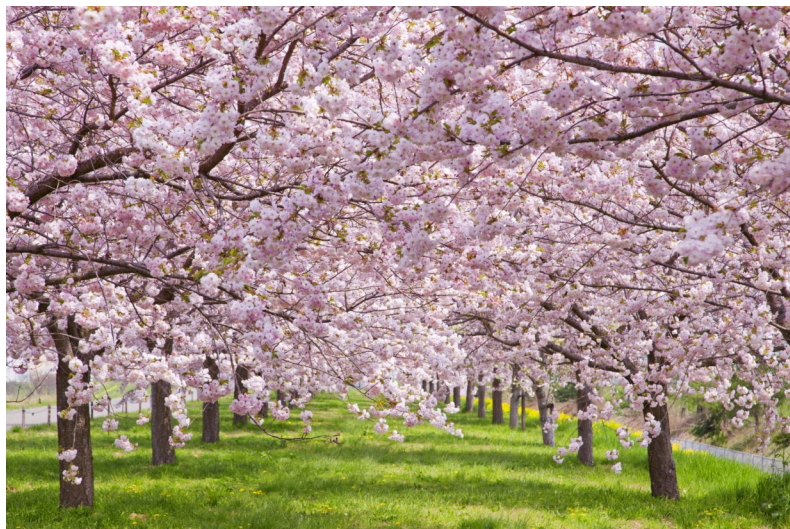
We are looking forward to celebrating The Enriching Hour Preschool's **35th** Birthday in June! Our School Birthday Party will be celebrated with a Picnic in the Park June 28. Please note **Friday, June 28 is a half day** and

school closes at **12:30PM**. The preschool is **closed Friday afternoon, June 28, 2024**, for cleaning and teacher meetings. We will reopen Monday, July 8, 2024.



REMINDER!

Please remember to apply sunscreen to exposed skin before school daily and label all of your child's personal items.



LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE

1. The Enriching Hour Preschool is having a **preschool graduation ceremony** on **Thursday, June 27th** for our children who are moving on to Kindergarten or Transitional Kindergarten in the fall. The ceremony will take place in the Auditorium at **White Oak Elementary** at **5:30PM**. Look for more information regarding the graduation in our June Newsletter.

2. On Friday, June 28th we will have our annual school picnic for the entire school. Look for more information about the picnic as we approach June. We look forward to spending time with all of our friends. The picnic offers the Staff an opportunity to say goodbye for summer and to wish good luck to the Kindergartners and Transitional Kindergarteners who will be heading to Summer Camp or taking off for summer. We will also celebrate The Enriching Hour Preschool's 35th birthday on this day with special activities for the children. Look for more information regarding the annual school picnic and birthday celebration in our June Newsletter.

3. **School will be closed Monday, July 1st through Friday, July 5th** in order to prepare for our summer program. Classes resume on Monday, July 8th or Tuesday, July 9th depending on your child's schedule.





This month we would like to highlight our four year-old teacher, Ms. Marcy. Ms. Marcy was born on Mother's Day in Houston, TX. She is married with three children who are now grown adults. Ms. Marcy started her journey to California when her husband was hired at Pepperdine University.

Ms. Marcy was working as a Director and four year-old teacher in Austin while working on her degree in Early Childhood Education. She completed her degree at Moorpark, then earned her Site Supervisor Permit. Ms. Marcy has been working at The Enriching Hour for over thirty years. She has

worked with all ages and served as Director, working with many families and little ones, and received the PACE Administrator award for 2007-2008.

Ms. Marcy has a passion for teaching, as well as being a grandmother of seven grandchildren, and caring for her family (including her bulldog, Meaux). The Enriching Hour Preschool has been the best educational opportunity for her and four of her grandchildren. Three of them live in Texas. Ms. Marcy has been delighted to work at The Enriching Hour and is looking forward to another wonderful year.



2024-2025 List of Planned Closures

MEMORIAL DAY	May 27, 2024
SCHOOL YEAR ENDS	June 28, 2024 (half day)
SUMMER BREAK	July 1-5, 2024
SUMMER CLASSES BEGIN	July 8, 2024 (first day)
LABOR DAY	September 2, 2024
STAFF IN SERVICE	October 3, 2024
THANKSGIVING	November 28 & 29, 2024
WINTER BREAK	December 23, 2024-January 1, 2025
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR	January 20, 2025
PRESIDENTS' DAY	February 17, 2025
STAFF IN SERVICE	March 21, 2025