

Miss Kelly's

NEWS

Hello Everybody!

March 2010

Directress' Message

Greetings!

Your children are wonderful! Everyone has adapted to the changes at Miss Kelly's. They are also taking very well to the new activities we've introduced on the shelf, such as the color tablets and the sewing disk. Overall we notice children more and more sociable with each other as we allow them to cope with each other's differences and diversity. Everyone seems to be enjoying each other's company more and engaging in great conversations. They ask each other all sorts of things, such as: "Do you like this?" "May I have this back please?" and "May I join you?"

There are five birthdays in March. We've passed Lucia's and Sarah's, and Sarah brought cupcakes for her birthday. We invite everyone who is having a birthday to bring something to share if they wish, as well as photos of their birth and at every birthday, so we can share in the changes. Still to come are birthdays from Emery, Jay, and Demi. We would also like to welcome Demi to Miss Kelly's. Demi is Miss Chunyu's daughter and if you haven't met her already, please say hello next time you see her. Also, Ella's last day with us will be March 19th. She is moving on to Orchard House to be with more kids who are closer to her own age. Her sister Lucia will be staying on at Miss Kelly's.

In February we observed Chinese New Year and the kids ate Lychees and made paper lanterns. We also baked muffins and bannock and did a lot of yoga, and had a great and fun time at Nora's potluck brunch, thanks to Kate, Justin and Nora! (We are looking forward to having everyone join us at Miss Kelly's for pot luck in April, see details below.) In March the kids will be exposed to Van Gogh's artworks and spending a lot more time outdoors now that the weather is warming.

As always thank you for sharing your children with us. It is a never-ending joy to be a part of their growth at this time.

Sincerely,

Miss. Kelly

MARCH REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- March is the month of Van Gogh and the coming of Spring!
- Potluck Brunch and Clothing Exchange. Saturday April 3rd 10am to 1pm clothing exchange at Miss Kelly's! Bring any decent used clothing items (no toys please) you no longer need for your child. We'll put it all in a pile at the brunch, and we can then all go through the pile and pick out items we want to bring home. The rest can be given to the Salvation Army.
- Birthdays! We have FIVE birthdays this month! All best Birthday wishes to Emery, Demi, Lucia, Jay, Sarah. As always, we invite the parents of birthday children to bring photos of their child at birth, and at each subsequent birthday, to show the children in the classroom, and to bring something tasty they'd like to share (something baked is always popular!)
- Favorite Books and Songs. Favorite books this month included Rabbit Stew, PJ Funnybunny, & the classic Mr. Frumble. Favorite songs included Happy Birthday and Bubble Gum.
- Clothing. As always, please make sure we have appropriate outer wear - kids who don't have warm enough clothing will not be permitted to go outside, for safety reasons. And remember Spring is a WET season, so keep the spare clothing supply well-stocked.
- Lost and Found. Missing anything? Children are always putting things in different cubbies, so ask us and we'll gladly do a search. That said, we suggest keeping your more valuable items at home, and as a precaution please consider labeling your child's clothing with name tags to help keep track and differentiate pieces of clothing. Some places make this a requirement, however we do try to keep track of everything and what belongs to who, but with this many children coming everyday it's not always easy.
- Toys and other items. We do ask that children keep personal items at home.
- Colds happen. But if your child has a fever, or is definitely unwell, please consider keeping her home for a day. If you have any doubts about coming in, don't hesitate to call and check with Miss Kelly first.
- Announcements. If you have anything you wish to announce in our newsletter let us know. We can also send out notices to all parents, so any announcements at any time can be forwarded to Miss Kelly for review.

