



# the enriching hour

Preschool Newsletter

May 2023

## Dates to Remember

- May 1-7—  
Tuition Due
- May 2—  
National Teacher  
Appreciation Day
- Week of May 8—  
Visiting Days
- May 14—  
Mother's Day
- May 29—  
SCHOOL CLOSED  
Memorial Day

## 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 mink, parakeet, alligator, 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 12. The cost is \$30 made out to The Enriching Hour. A limited number of yearbooks will be on sale for \$35.00 after May 12 and will be distributed in June.

## SUMMER NEWS

Our preschool classes for the 2023-2024 school year will begin in September. Children will transition to their new classrooms and teachers in September due to our Kinder 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. Kinder Camp is a 3-6 week program teaching and promoting Kindergarten Readiness skills. It is designed for children transitioning into Kindergarten or TK the end of August. The last day of Kinder Camp is August 18, 2023.

## SCHOOL BIRTHDAY NEWS

We are looking forward to celebrating The Enriching Hour Preschool's 34th Birthday in June! Our School Birthday Party will be celebrated with a Picnic in the Park June 29 following Graduation. Please note **Thursday, June 29 is a half day** and school closes at

**12:30PM**. We will reopen Monday, July 10, 2023. Notice school will also be **closed Friday, June 30, 2023** for cleaning and teacher in service training.



## REMINDER!

**Please remember to apply sunscreen to exposed 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 29th for our children who are moving on to Kindergarten or Transitional Kindergarten in the fall. The ceremony will take place at Bernice Bennett Park at 10:30AM. The rest of the school will join us after the morning ceremony for a Picnic in the Park with your class! Look for more information regarding the graduation and picnic in our June Newsletter.

2. On Thursday, June 29th 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 Kinder Camp or taking off for summer. We will also celebrate The Enriching Hour Preschool's 34th 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 Friday, June 30th through Friday, July 7th** in order to prepare for our summer program. Classes resume on Monday, July 10th or Tuesday, July 11th depending on your child's schedule.





This month we would like to highlight our three/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 in 1993 when her husband was hired at Pepperdine University.

Ms. Marcy was working as a Director and 4-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. She began working at The Enriching Hour in August,

1993. Ms. Marcy 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.



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## **2023-2024 List of Planned Closures**

<b>IN SERVICE</b>	<b>June 30, 2023</b>
<b>SUMMER BREAK</b>	<b>June 30-July 8, 2023</b>
<b>LABOR DAY</b>	<b>September 4, 2023</b>
<b>IN SERVICE</b>	<b>October 16, 2023</b>
<b>THANKSGIVING</b>	<b>November 23 &amp; 24, 2023</b>
<b>WINTER HOLIDAY</b>	<b>December 22, 2023-January 2, 2024</b>
<b>MARTIN LUTHER KING</b>	<b>January 15, 2024</b>
<b>PRESIDENTS’ DAY</b>	<b>February 19, 2024</b>
<b>IN SERVICE</b>	<b>March 11, 2024</b>
<b>SPRING HOLIDAY</b>	<b>March 29 &amp; April 1, 2024</b>
<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>	<b>May 27, 2024</b>