

# A Fly on the Wall...

## Lunch Bunch with Miss Ball, Mrs. Schroeder, Mrs. Knott, Mrs. Zuidema & Mrs. Wyatt

We have been busy bees (or cicadas) in Lunch Bunch this month! We have been enjoying the weather by picnicking under the trees in the field with our new cicada friends. At playtime we have been enjoying the exploration that the emerging bugs bring with cicada weddings being held and houses being built for the creatures. We are excited to end the year with necklace making, spray painting and of course playing group games with the children. We recently went through the lost and found and organized the clothing while reinforcing Spanish words. If you are looking for a missing mitón it could be in the lost and found! Thank you all for a wonderful year of Lunch Bunch it has been a pleasure to spend our afternoons with your children!



## Music with Mrs. B

The children are gearing up for their last performance of the year! They have been amazing learning songs outside and without seeing my mouth moving! Just so you know, they are all singing and smiling under their masks! Please come and enjoy their songs with us! Happy Summer!



## Pre-first with Mrs. Barta

Thank you to everyone who came to the "world famous" publishing party. It was a wonderful way to share all of the hard work the students have been doing over the months. It was such a joy to watch the children's writing, illustrations and storytelling come to life and develop throughout this year...what amazing progress and accomplishments!

We have enjoyed learning about our fifty states and some very important American symbols. The students are extremely proud of their completed U.S.A books.

Thank you so very much for sharing your children with me this year. It has been a tremendous year of growth socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically. I am so proud of each, and every one of the children for their hard work, determination, dedication, and enthusiasm. They have made great strides individually and as a class. I wish them all the best next year and, in the years, to come. Please help them to always remember the Redeemer Rules...Be Kind, Be Safe and Have Fun! Enjoy your summer!

## The 2s with Mrs. Wyatt & Mrs. Zuidema

It seems like only yesterday that your children walked into the classroom as quiet, shy, and often teary two year olds. All too soon, we will be saying goodbye to the same children who have blossomed into independent, confident, and much taller three year olds. We spent the year learning about colors, shapes, patterns, and various themes from apples to summer fun. We painted, colored, and glued. We sang songs and read lots of books. We washed our hands and adjusted our masks more times than we can count. We built sand castles, rode bikes and scooters, jumped in puddles while playing in the rain, and caught cicadas. Without a doubt, the best thing we did this year was make good friends. We hope this summer brings you many fabulous adventures, and we look forward to lots of hugs in September when our old friends make their way to their new classrooms down the hall. We thank you for a wonderful year and for sharing your beautiful children with us.



## Enrichment with Mrs. Craig

Bugs, Birds, and Boomerangs, oh my! Kindergarten and Pre-first have been exploring birds and insects in science. We have gone on a great bug hunt, made balancing butterflies, and explored bird beaks and how different species find food. In art we have made symmetry beetles, bird nests, and bird collages. Pre-K finished their multi week and multi-media koi pond art projects. In science we also made Y shaped boomerangs and enjoyed watching their crazy flight paths. The Threes classes tested our magic markers last week and made watercolor paint with the ones that had dried out. This week we used them to paint! Next week we will harvest lettuce and radishes from our gardens and paint collaborative murals. It has been a busy, fun-filled year of Enrichment! I hope you and your children enjoy a happy, healthy summer with plenty of creativity and nature exploration!

## **The 3s with Mrs. Blair, Miss Ball, Mrs. Hobson & Mrs. Schroeder**

Aloha from the Ocean! The 3s have been working on our ocean unit and are so excited to discuss all we have been learning about our favorite sea creatures. We are wrapping up the year reviewing our numbers and colors and the 5 day 3s are doing a unit on Transportation, where the children will take a pretend trip to Hawaii! This year we have grown so much. We are comfortable practicing using scissors, crayons, markers, glue and so much more. It has been wonderful to get to know all of your children and to watch them get to know each other. We hope that everyone enjoys their summer break, and if you take a trip to the shore make sure to ask your little one how many legs a crab has! Thank you for a fantastic year!



## **Kindergarten with Mrs. Smith, Ms. Bunting & Mrs. Vandenberg**

It is hard to believe that we are wrapping up the year! We learned so much in new and creative ways this year and the students truly embraced these changes. In May, we focused on the Rainforest, insects and currently a bird unit. We have made so many incredible stories and art projects focusing on these new topics. We finished our addition and subtraction unit, with the students feeling confident! Thank you to everyone who came to the "world famous" publishing party. It was a wonderful way to share all of the hard work the students have been doing over the months. It was such a joy to watch the children's writing, illustrations and story-telling come to life and develop throughout this year. It has been a tremendous year of growth socially, emotionally, intellectually and physically. I am so proud of each and every one of the children for their hard work, determination, dedication and enthusiasm. They have made great strides individually and as a class. Thank you for the privilege of allowing us to teach your child each day and see the amazing growth that has transpired throughout the year. Each one of you should be very proud parents! It has been both an honor and privilege to work with your children. We wish you a fun, relaxing summer.

## World Cultures with Mrs. Knott

Our travels have taken us around the globe this year, with our most recent stop in India! We loved learning about Mehndi, the art of henna painting. We came up with our designs, incorporating symbols that represent love, unity, and strength. Playing games like "Dog and Bone" helped us learn valuable team skills and the art of winning and losing! All year we have loved learning how children in other cultures have so many similarities, as well as differences, to us!



## Chapel with Mother O

Chapel is coming to a close along with the school year. We have finished the Easter season and are in Pentecost now - we told the story of Jesus' ascension into heaven and the Holy Spirit's arrival among the disciples, tongues of flame and all! All summer we'll be in the green and growing season after Pentecost, or Ordinary Time. I am so excited to see and hear what has grown when we return in the fall!



## Pre-k with Mrs. Arrup, Mrs. Baker & Mrs. Knott

WE DID IT! What a wonderFULL year it has been! Pre-K has successfully zoomed through all the letters A to Z, counted and uncounted our numbers, made new friends, tried new things, created amazing artwork, explored the outdoors in all kinds of weather, and we learned so much about the world around us, all while being resilient. We worked hard on many new concepts from masks and no hugs to math and fist pumps! We followed lots of new rules and routines and we ALL adjusted so it became just a part of each day. There was plenty of free play, giggles, dancing, messes to be made, ideas to be shared, and stories to be read knowing that smiles were hiding behind the masks. Now, we are just waiting on our butterflies to emerge from their chrysalis so we can set them free outdoors. There will a lot of end of year supplies coming home, please empty backpacks each day. Thank you for allowing us to guide your children through this unpredictable year, we are grateful to have done it together. We look forward to seeing you at the June Jamboree!