

Checking in with Younger Families

The UUCSC families with young children are VERY busy during the Pandemic. In answer to my email a few of them did check in. Here, in their own words, is what they had to say.

The Avizinis Family

It has been crazy busy at the Avizinis house! Jess and Ed have been busy with Aimable (5 years old) and Nina (8 mos). They have been avoiding the pandemic by gardening and chicken rearing. They love UUCSC and miss everyone.

The Grant Family

The Grants (Caleb, Meg, and three girls Aila (10) Maisey (7) and Elsie (4) are faring well. We are missing the UUCSC community a lot but are not participating in its virtual manifestations.

The older girls spend a lot of time on computers for school, so on nights and weekends we try to be as screen-free as possible.

We do watch the RE videos Lee puts together, and find them lovely and centering.

Our biggest coping strategies for Covid include getting outside to work, garden, camp, and hike around in the woods, as well as having a very small circle of friends with kids who we can get together with as long as no one is feeling sick. We try to start all dinners with a simple "What are you grateful for today?."

In other news, the girls all just got new rain boots! Aila is still playing her fiddle and saved up money for a Leopard Gecko named Tofu :) Maisey has turned into a master home furniture gymnast and "cozy town" fort maker, and Elsie helped split and stack wood to heat our house this winter and argues "Aren't I the fastest and strongest runner ever?"

In general we are hoping all are well. If any members reach out to us and receive complete silence do not read anything into it :)

I find I need as little computer time as possible to get through Covid times and stay sane.

Peace and positive changes,

-Caleb

The Magidow Family

The Magidow household sends you greetings for a beautiful autumn. Zayn turned 4 at the end of summer. His preschool re-opened in June, a relief for all of us! We've been prioritizing playing outside, so haven't joined Zoom RE yet, but we enjoy the videos and resources provided by RE Director Lee - Thank you!