

Jumping Jack Journal



The Newsletter for Fullerton Community Nursery School



Director's Message: Melissa Brewer

There are only five weeks of school left! The year has flown by. We have lots planned for those last few weeks, so get out your calendars!

Summer School Sign-Up Update

Miss Micky and Miss Jackie are planning a super fun summer school calendar! Online registration is still open, but only a few spots remain available. We currently have one opening left in Session 1 (June 3-13) and five spots left for Session 2 (June 17-June 27.) Sign up ASAP to secure your child's spot!

Mothers' Teas

We will have our annual Mother's Day Tea Parties on Tuesday, May 7 & Friday, May 10, at 11:15 AM. The children have made you a gift. They will prepare you a snack, and the older classes will serve you! Teachers will read you a special Mother's Day story. Please arrange babysitting for younger siblings to help make this a special time for you and your preschooler(s). If, for some reason, you can't attend that day, be sure to let your teacher know! Grandma is welcome, or any special friend if mom can't make it. It is also important not to be late for tea. Some children get very upset when mom hasn't arrived and everyone else has started eating.

Tile Fundraiser

You will have the opportunity to make a tile for our breezeway wall the week of May 6. We will have the tiles and paint set up for you to paint. The cost of the tile is \$50. You should have a good idea of what you want your tile to look like before you arrive. You can have your child help or not. There are many options! We have stencils, too, if you need some artistic help. We had a delay in firing last year's tiles due to the remodel at The Muckenthaler. We hope to have last year's and this



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year's tiles fired together as soon as possible so we can get them hung in the breezeway promptly.



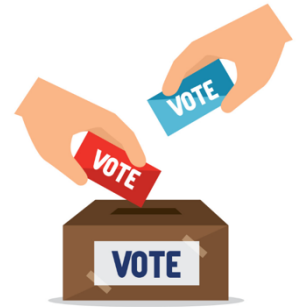
Last Mandatory Meeting

Your last mandatory meeting is a picnic at Craig Park in Fullerton on Tuesday, May 14, and Friday, May 17. You should bring your child to school at 9:00 AM, but pick them up at 10:30 and head to the park. We will make sandwiches with the kids at school, and the parents will have a potluck lunch. Potluck sign-ups will be available soon.

Slate for Voting at the May General Meeting

We will vote for two board members at the picnic. Sarah Nixon (Emery's mom, Grp. 2) has volunteered to be our Secretary. Thank you, Sarah! Rose Challis has also volunteered to continue as Second Vice President/Maintenance Chairperson for the third year! Thank you, Rose!

We will also vote on the new tuition rates for the 24-25 school year.
2-day tuition to increase by \$5 or 2.4% from \$212 to \$217 [\$28.63/class]
3-day tuition increase by \$2 or 0.6% from \$314 to \$316 [\$29.72/class]
5-day tuition increase by \$15 or 3% from \$500 to \$515 [\$28.28/class]
These percentage increases take into consideration the average cost per class. Holidays were also considered in these calculations.



Finally, we will vote to approve these changes to our Bi-Laws and Standing Rules, which were approved by our board at our April meeting:

Standing Rules

IV: Membership

Section 3: Enrollment

A. (Current) Registration for re-enrollees and alumni families shall be held preceding enrollment of new families. All forms must be submitted by summer, except the Health Forms. Health Forms are to be completed for the child and parent before opening day of school.

(New) Registration for re-enrollees and alumni families shall be held preceding enrollment of new families. All forms must be submitted by April 1st (or two weeks following acceptance of enrollment for new families, whichever comes first.), except for the Health Forms. Health Forms MUST be completed by a health care provider and submitted for the child and parent by Family/Teacher Welcome Conferences in mid-August.

VIII: VIOLATIONS OF BY-LAWS

Section 1: Late pickup of children

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- A. (Current) Children are to be picked up from class at 12:00 p.m.
- B. The first late pickup violation will result in a verbal warning to the parents.
- C. The second late pickup violation will result in a letter from the Board of Directors being mailed to the parents by Certified, Return Receipt Requested mail.
- D. The third late pickup violation will constitute a violation of the school's By-Laws, Article IV, Section 6:b.1.

- A. (New) Children are to be picked up from class at 12:00 p.m.
- B. The first two late pickup violations will result in a verbal warning to the parents.
- C. Further late pickup violations will result in a fine. A 5-minute grace period will be given. After the 5-minute grace period, a \$1.00 per minute charge will be assessed until the child is picked up.
- D. The third late pickup violation will constitute a violation of the school's By-Laws, Article IV, Section 6:b.1.

X: DISCIPLINE POLICY

Section 2: The staff may elect to:

- A. (Current) Use a time out on a limited basis.

A. (New) Use calming strategies such as redirection or removal from the situation to allow time and space for self-regulation or co-regulation.

Bi-Law Changes:

Article X: Duties of Elected Officers

Section 2: President

Remove this sub-point:

- I. I. President's child may have priority to enroll in the class of their preference at Registration, if desired and if all fundraising commitments have been met.

Section 3: First Vice-President- Membership

Remove this sub-point:

- H. Membership's child may have priority to enroll in the class of their preference at registration, if desired and if all fund-raising commitments have been met.

Article XI: Standing Committees

Combine H. Orientation Chairperson and M. Historian into one position

- J. Hospitality Chairman

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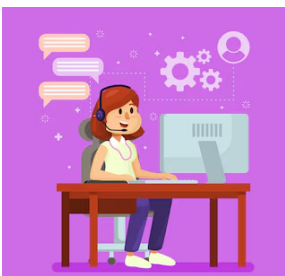
1) (New) Shall be responsible for organizing the providing of refreshments and the set-up and clean-up of the room for compulsory meetings and special events.

Goal Setting Meeting

On Wednesday, May 15, we will have a goal-setting board meeting on Zoom at 7 PM. We'd love to have people with creative ideas and enthusiasm for keeping FCNS going strong join us! If you can't attend the meeting, email us your thoughts and ideas!

Volunteers Needed!

- Do you have a Sam's Club membership? We are looking for a volunteer who can order and pick up cupcakes the week of our Mom's Tea events. The school will pay for the order!



-Tech Help Needed:

- We have been trying to set up a Google for Non-Profits Workspace but are having some difficulties. Please see Jane if you can help.

-We are seeking someone to help us devise a system, spreadsheet, or program to organize and utilize our alum email lists.

Several board and committee chair positions are still open for the upcoming school year. If you would like to remain in your current position, or if you would like to try something new, please let us know ASAP. Available positions:

In-coming president (January- December 2025), OCCPPNS, Parliamentarian, Personnel, Health, Scheduler (Group 2), Rummage Sale (2 co-chairs needed), Publicity/Social Media, Librarian, Ways and Means, and Laundry Helper

So Many Thank Yous!

A huge thanks to Jennifer Dominguez and her Family Fun Day Committee for organizing such a fantastic event! Thanks also to Tania Torres Prieto and her Opportunity Drawing committee, who collected fantastic donations from our community. Preliminary net fundraising proceeds of \$3,755 have been tallied. This total should increase due to an amazing last-minute donation from an alum family.



-Thanks again to Eddie Long, his family, and his company, Organix Recyclables. Last month, we mentioned that Eddie donated, delivered, and installed our new wood chips. He also donated and delivered our new playground sand. We can't thank you enough for your generosity!



-Thanks also to Mercy-Commons Church, The Fullerton YMCA, and our April Maintenance crew for the help with our Love Fullerton

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Project this last weekend. We are so grateful to be a part of such an amazing local community!

-Thanks also to Edwin Oak, who has volunteered to help us with our security camera research. We will keep you posted as this project progresses.



A note about the Jumping Jack Journal- during our Orientation workshops, we got some feedback on the length of the JJJ. Our JJJ Editor, Darwin Rungsarangnont, helped us put together a trial run of a shorter newsletter format. Thank you, Darwin! We received some feedback- a few loved the shorter version, but many wished to keep the longer format. We discussed this as a board and voted to keep the more extended version for now, but to try to keep it as short as possible. I know this month's issue is longer than average, but due to our board's parliamentary procedures, extra items must be included here before our upcoming membership vote. We will try to keep it a bit shorter moving forward!

Lastly,

For your planning purposes, we will begin our next school year on August 19, 2024, and orientation will be on Thursday evening, August 15.

I think that's all for now! Please let me know if you have any questions!

Miss Melissa

President's Message: Bryana Brewer

Hello FCNS Family,

I'm so delighted to be stepping into this role as the newly appointed President of the FCNS Board! It's an honor to join the dedicated group who leads our amazing community, and after sitting in on my first meeting, it's clear that each and every person is committed to making our school the wonderful place that it is.

**MADAM
PRESIDENT**

I wanted to give a huge shoutout and thank you to our outgoing President, Tisha (Inaaya's Mom, Group 1) for her hard work and leadership over the past year and a half. We are all so grateful for your service and your contributions to FCNS!

As we approach the end of this school year and look ahead to the next, I'm so excited to continue to collaborate with all of our parents in

making this school year a memorable one.

And while I'm shocked to see that summer is about one month away, we still have so much to look forward to, including our Mother's Tea and End-of-Year Picnic. So much fun!



It's also been a big month of activities with our field trip and Family Fun Day. Our visit to Tanaka Farms was a first for me, and I didn't realize how exciting it would be to pick our own strawberries! Did anyone else have a surplus of kale that week too? Kale chips were a constant snack that weekend for our house :P The gloomy weather did NOT get in the way of our Family Fun Day- between character visits, games, and so many activities, we didn't want it to be over! Huge shoutout to Jennifer, Tania and their committees for creating such a great day for our community!



Please feel free to reach out to me with any ideas, questions, or just to say hi (at school or shoot me an email :) bryanaapbrewer@gmail.com).

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Bryana Brewer (Artemis' Mom, Group 1)

Housekeeping Message: Erika Jallins

Hi FCNS families,

Thank you to everyone for completing their Housekeeping shifts and keeping our school clean! For the month of February, I want to thank the following families: Dawkins, Htay, Imani, Kelly, Noh, Usman, and Tagum. Thank you to Miss Micky for helping fill in at the last minute as well.

For the next housekeeping shift for the month of April, I have the following families scheduled: **Manzo, Rungsarangnont, Lee, Khwaja, Monnig, Vega, Maltbie, and Lei**. This cleaning will take place on **Friday May 24th at 9:00 am**, following our last day of school.



If you need to reschedule your housekeeping date, you are welcome to contact me in advance so we can find an alternate date. Please keep in mind that you are responsible for finding a replacement if you are not able to make your shift that day. If you have any questions, you can reach me at erika.h.jallins@gmail.com or (310) 733-9065. Thank you!

Erika Jallins

Maintenance Message: Rosemary Challis



Hi FCNS! My name is Rose and I am the Maintenance Chair. Maintenance days (outside work in the play yards) take place once or twice per month on a Saturday. They start at 8am and last 2-3 hours. Each family is required to complete one maintenance day per child enrolled for the 2023-2024 school year.

****There is no buy-out option. However, you may pay someone to do this job for your family. It is your responsibility to find a replacement. If you cannot find a replacement, and no one shows up on the day you signed up for, you will be fined \$150 and rescheduled.****

Thanks to those of you who fulfilled your maintenance requirement in February! The next maintenance day is **Saturday, May 4**. I have the following families signed up:

Nadalet (foreman), Kelly, Mallonee, and Morgan

The foreman will receive the task cards, sign-in sheet, and maintenance cabinet key in their child's cubby prior to maintenance day. Thank you for your hard work!

Rose (Henry's mom, Grp 1: T/Th)
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Teacher's Message: Miss Micky, Group 1 & 3

April still continued to give us rain. Also brought us our field trip to Tanaka Farms which I saw lots of berry happy faces. We had our karate lesson, happy to say all participated. We have learned about what comes from an egg and will continue to do so until May.

We have been having very adventurous snacks and have been eating our way through a rainbow of colors. Thank you.

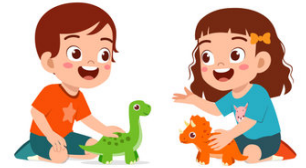
May is a time to Celebrate our mamas and we will be having our little teatime for you. We are busy making things and planning little





surprises. Shhhhhhh!!! You will see how. Please plan on joining us and Don't be late.

We will be planting and playing with dinosaurs. As we end our egg unit and year.



Parents I know we are getting to end of year. Please remember that I would appreciate it if you could please remember to come in on time on your WORKING MORNING. I really would appreciate it.

With love Miss Micky

Teacher's Message: Miss Jackie, Group 2



One more month of FCNS fun!

So far we had finished our dinosaur unit with a fun dinosaur egg hunt which the kids loved to do. We continued our egg unit with butterflies and will be doing all things bugs next to continue on.

I did not realize that end of May is right around the corner so I am planning to see when to do our seed until. More information to come.

So far in class I have been trying new techniques for circle time, moved the dots around and have put up positive pictures on what circle time should look like. I feel like there has been improvement especially since end of the year wiggles increase more and more!



There is still so much fun to be had, looking forward for it all. Also I have been getting lots of questions for my summer birthday friends. If your child has a summer birthday and would like to be celebrated we usually do it either last week or last day of school, but if you would like it any other day (possibly a day you are scheduled) let me know and we can definitely do that.

I'm going to enjoy these last couple of weeks with the kids and have as much fun possible before Summer fun begins!

Cheers,

Miss Jackie | Group 2

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