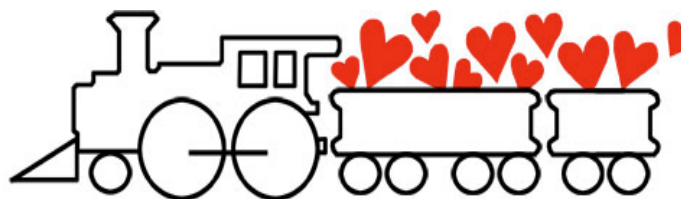


# Jumping Jack Journal



The Newsletter for Fullerton Community Nursery School

## Director's Message: Sally Newton



Hello all! Things are going so well! Thank you all for keeping sick kids home, sending in appropriate snacks, extra masks, and spare clothes and earthquake meals! There are just a very few forms and earthquake meals missing. Please get those in ASAP.

I want to send a thank you to Katy Streeter, Erika Jallins, and Mike Davis for showing up to our first maintenance day in October before school started. We got the yard looking good, just in time for that crazy wind storm that messed it up again! Luckily, we have some wonderful gardeners that blow it clean every Tuesday morning!

We are going to have another cleanup day, **Saturday, Jan. 2 at 9 a.m.** We will need 6-8 volunteers again! If we don't get enough help, we will have to make it mandatory. We are going to have one over Spring break also. Just 3-4 over the whole year, so if everyone can pitch in one or 2 times, it's done! This is how we keep expenses down around here. Let me know if you can help in January. We'll be sweeping, hosing outside and cleaning floors and vacuuming inside. Many hands make light work!

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We have not had any takers on the treasurer's position yet. Are you considering it? Can I give you Elena's phone number to talk about it with? We really need this filled.

The See's candy fundraiser is going on! You can either give us your order form or do it online:  
[www.yumraising.com/secure/fullertoncns\\_fullerton\\_community\\_nursery45/candy?h=AndBer9672](http://www.yumraising.com/secure/fullertoncns_fullerton_community_nursery45/candy?h=AndBer9672)

Just one last thing. As you know the virus is on the upswing again. Please observe the state guidelines for your Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations. Unless it changes, it is strongly suggested you keep gatherings to under 10 people and no more than 3 households. If you do exceed those numbers, please do not send your child back to school until one full week goes by. Remember, we are a small community now that needs to help take care of each other! Thank you!

Miss Sally



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## President's Message: Becky Anderson

Hello FCNS Families,

Welcome back to school! It has been quite a year, and I am thankful that we have been able to safely open our school. It has been such a joy to hear about the fun activities, songs learned, and new friendships that are being created. If you are a returning family, we are so thankful you are back! If you are a new family, we want to extend a warm welcome! Things are a bit different but our community spirit is still strong.

I wanted to say a huge thank you to Ms. Sally! Ms. Sally has gone above and beyond to keep up with the changing recommendations and make all the adjustments necessary to open our school safely. Thank you Ms. Sally for your dedication to keeping staff and our families safe. Your thoughtfulness, attention to detail, strong leadership, and love for FCNS have carried us through this difficult year.

Thank you, Ms. Micky and Ms. Kelly! You both are cornerstones of our community, and I am thankful for your commitment and care for FCNS. Thank you for all the time and energy you have poured into our kids these past few weeks.

Thank you to our new group reps Kate Davis (Group 1) and Kayla O'Brian (Group 2)!

Thank you Monique Flores for being our OCCPPNS Representative! We are thankful you have joined the board and stepped into these roles.

We are still looking to fill the role of Treasurer. If you are willing to do this, please let us know. We will provide training and will help you along the way.

Thank you also to the Board of Directors- Clare Pena, Barbara Pulmanova, and Elena Cruz! Each of you have provided wisdom and helped us move forward each month. I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness and support.

Cheers to a unique year at FCNS! I look forward to getting to know more of you as we watch our kids grow beautiful friendships.

Kindly,

Becky Anderson  
(Aleya, Group 2)



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## Teacher's Message: Miss Micky, Group II



I just am so happy and glad to have these two groups of kiddos. My days are filled with smiles, questions, singing, handwashing, disinfecting, mask-wearing preschoolers. I'm so grateful to be here daily working with my FCNS family.

We have been busy learning routine and working on being independent and pumping on swings (well, getting pushed for now). I look forward to getting to know all our families as the year progresses. Thank you Emilie's mom in Group I for our pumpkin muffins on first week of school.

Thank you Group 1 and 2, Miss Sally and Miss Kelly for my birthday celebration. It was REALLY so thoughtful and I appreciate being celebrated.

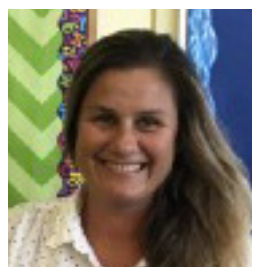
We're getting ready to talk about nursery rhymes and celebrations and traditions in December. I hope you have a good Thanksgiving.

I have a lot to be thankful for, and that includes all of you.

Love,  
Miss Micky

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## Teacher's Message: Miss Kelly, Group I



Greetings, FCNS friends!

Thank you all for a great start to our not-so-normal school year. I'm so impressed with your children and their ability to wear the masks for the entirety of our day. Well done! I am really enjoying our class and getting to know each and everyone. I'm starting to see the kids grow friendships and practice kindness. It's so sweet to witness! I really love this class.

We started out the school year with our unit on germs, wearing face masks and proper hand washing. Our second week included family and community. We rounded out this last week with Thanksgiving, gratitude and a re-enactment of our staff's favorite tradition of stone soup. Miss Micky and I make a great team and we have found lots of creative ways to keep the kids safe and engaged. I look forward to the next few units on nursery rhymes and holiday traditions. We may just go looking for a gingerbread man on the loose at FCNS.

As the Covid numbers continue to grow, we ask that you practice mindfulness in regards to travel, mask wearing, hand washing and large gatherings. We'd really love to keep our school open and these kids playing. I too am making some hard adjustments and plan on doing lots more hibernating.

Have a delicious Thanksgiving!

I am thankful for you and yours, Miss Kelly



## Teacher's Message: Miss Sally, Group II

I would like to congratulate you all on the way your children are wearing their masks so well! We are so thrilled that for the most part, it is not an issue at all. We don't like it, but we're doing it!

Group 2 is settling in, getting to know each other, learning names, and going over our puzzle pieces to know some of our favorite things. If you haven't sent it in yet, please do so!

We are learning who likes to get wet with sand play, and who doesn't! Don't forget to send in spare clothes, when we send wet ones home! We are trying to get them to put on rain boots before soaking their shoes, but it's a process we are still learning.

Playdoh is a big hit with this group, and swinging is huge. We only have one pumper at this point, so we are trying to teach that—it's developmental—a kind of rhythm they have to feel in their body. Some get it sooner than others. Certainly, the more they swing, the quicker they get it! We have some that are close!

It has been fun for me to work with the younger kids. I have been teaching four-year-olds for many years. They don't have all the skills yet, but they are precious!

We made drums and practiced rhythms. You can ask you child to play for you! We did a rainstorm, with drizzling (light taps) that progressively gets stronger to thunder and lightning (hard taps) and back to drizzles, then the sun come out and the rain stops. They like that one!



We also did these patterns:

1,2,3, rest, 1,2,3, rest, etc.

1, rest, 1 rest, 1, rest, etc

B- I -NGO, just like the song

We sang Twinkle, Twinkle and beat the words.

Rhythms are patterns, patterns are math! Try it at home with their drums. They have to show a lot of self-control when we drum as a group, and this group did great!

We have talked about what we are thankful for- and I sent home those quotes. Save those forever! Sweet memories.

I am loving being back with children. Thanks for trusting them with us. I hope you have a happy, healthy, Thanksgiving!

Miss Sally