

# Jumping Jack Journal



The Newsletter for Fullerton Community Nursery School

## Director's Message: Sally Newton



I am so happy that Covid numbers are down, the vaccines are rolling out (slowly), and we may be getting out of the purple tier! Things are looking up!

Don't forget picture days are this week- Tuesday and Friday.

We will be doing another See's candy fundraiser (yum) in March for Easter. You will receive a flyer March 1, and there will also be an online option. Orders will be due by March 19, and candy will be delivered to your house (if you order online) or to school (if you order by flyer). Thank you to Ande Berumen for organizing this for us!

Many thanks to Anne Osgood for taking over as Secretary until the remainder of the year!

Many thanks to Lille Lovinus for working on adding some video tours of the school for the website. We are hoping this will allow people to see the school without an in person tour (although we can do those also). Thanks also to Lille for putting this newsletter together!

We should have your child's assessment in their cubby by March 1. If you would like an in-person conference, we can make those arrangements after you read your assessment. We are always happy to answer questions.

## Kindergarten Registration

If your child is going on to kindergarten, now is the time for registering them. Go on to your district website to see the procedure. Fullerton has several alternative programs that are popular among our alumni. There are 2 multi-age programs at Rolling Hills Elementary school, and one at Orangethorpe elementary. There is also a Spanish emersion program at Raymond Elementary. I have a parents I can hook you up with to discuss how each program works, if interested. I also have 2 videos produced by the programs to get a feel for them. Contact me for more info.

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*Maintenance Day*

We would like to have another maintenance day on **Saturday, March 27**. This is the end of the spring break. We need **8** people to meet here at **9 am** to do general clean up- inside and out. It is not hard, the more hands, the quicker it will go. The last one lasted about 1.5 hours, and we got lots done! Let me know if you can make this one. Remember, ideally each family will have done this ONE time during the school year. Thanks for your help!



*Registration for next year*

We will be registering for next year beginning March 1. You will receive an email with the information soon. This year it is going to be done through Jovial- the website we use for tuition payment. We are going to proceed as if it is a parent participation school again. We will have up to 4 classes of 15 students and two working parents each day.

**Group I- Monday/Tuesday** 3 yr olds with Miss Micky

**Group II- Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday** 4 yr olds with Miss Kelly

**Group III- Thursday/Friday** 3 yr olds with Miss Micky

**Group IV- Wednesday/Thursday/Friday** 4 yr Olds with Miss Sally

We are still working on our tuition amounts- you will be voting on them in May. Thanks to Katy Streeter, our treasurer, for working on this for us. It will not be higher than it is currently.

Clare Pana is our Membership chairperson. Her child will be joining us next year, and we thank her for her work also!

*Summer School*

We are going to plan on having summer school this year! Each day is a new theme, you will have a calendar to help you know what to expect. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have our alumni volunteers this year, but it should still be fun!

We will do 2 sessions- each 2 weeks. You can sign up for one or both. If you only want one week, you have to arrange among yourselves to split it with another family- and tell us please.

**First session: June 1—10** (we will meet on Friday, June 4, this week only- due to Memorial day holiday, May 31) 9- 12 noon, \$200 (no parent participation)

**Second session: June 14-24** Mondays thru Thursdays 9- 12 noon, \$200 (no parent participation)

We will take 14 kids in each session. It will be first come, first served and we will sign up at school beginning Monday, May 10. Your check is due when you sign up.

I think that's it for now!

Miss Sally

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## President's Message: Becky Anderson

Hello FCNS families!

Happy February! It has been great to return to school this month- Thank you, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Micky, and Ms. Sally for the fun and creative activities, songs, and games. I hope you all enjoyed the Valentine's Day card that arrived at your house. This is such a special tradition at FCNS!

I want to welcome Anne Osgood to the Board. Anne is fulfilling the position of Secretary. Thank you for jumping in!

If you are interested in getting more involved next year, we are looking to fill two board positions- the Maintenance and Secretary position. Please contact Ms. Sally for more information.

The Board is beginning to look forward and plan for next year, so keep your eyes out for information regarding summer school and registration for 2021-2022.

Kindly,

Becky Anderson  
Aleya's mom, Group 2



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

So happy to be back. The kids have grown and are having a lot of fun at school. Sometimes we are getting a little excited about bubbles. We are playing 'What time is it, Mr. Shark?' in Group I.

Group 2 has a new friend, Rylie, and are having fun cooking with petals and water and making tea. We are also using the pirate ship to sit and hide, and are having fun talking as a groups . So fun.

We have been learning about dinosaurs, and there's more to come. We will be pretending to be paleontologists and looking for fossils. They already found dino bones and that was exciting. We will be making volcanos and learning about eruptions.

We will end the month with learning about space, and that will take us into March .

Thank you for all the love that you gave me for Valentine's Day. I hope you enjoyed your Valentines in the mail.

Spring is on its way, so don't blink, 'cause you might miss all the growing that these kiddos will be doing in the next weeks.

Love, Miss Micky



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

Hey there!

It's been lovely to be back with the kids! We jumped right into Valentine's Day and talked about what we love, kindness, and being a good friend. We also chatted about the post office and mail. We set up a mock post office and practiced buying stamps, writing letters, and delivering mail to our homes. I hope you enjoyed the sweet surprise that adorned your mailboxes.



We will round out February with dinosaurs and talk about carnivores versus herbivores, and what types of dinosaurs are our favorite. According to the class survey, the infamous T-Rex is a class favorite, followed by the triceratops. We will put on our paleontologist hats and go looking for dino eggs and buried bones in the following week. After dinosaurs, we will blast off into space and learn all about this amazing solar system we call home!

Micky and I have been working hard at assessing the kids to get a feel of where they are at with fine motor skills such as tracing and cutting; gross motor skills such as pumping and pedaling; and early academic skills such as number and letter recognition. I LOVE doing these assessments because it provides such a rich experience for me to build our curriculum and set up our kids for success! Our goal is to have the assessments done by March 1.

It's truly such fun to be your child's teacher! I love watching the kid's grow and to learn alongside them!

Evermore thanks!

Miss Kelly

Here is a picture of our dinosaur survey!



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

We are having such a good time being back together again! Thank you so much for the valentine treats! I am enjoying them all!

I sure hope you all received your Valentine's in the mail. We had fun playing post office and pretending to be mail carriers. I read off your child's street names to see if they knew their address- it is a good time to talk about the number on their house, or apartment, the name of their street, and city. Many knew they lived in California.



We have moved on to dinosaurs. Last week we learned some dinosaur names and what their defense is against enemies. We talked about plant and meat eaters. We saw how big they are by laying out yarn the correct length. We dug up 2 large bones we had buried in the sand and pretended they were dinosaur bones (actually cow bones).

This week we have more fun planned with the kids finding dino eggs and cracking them open to see what dino they get.

In March we will be talking about space, seeds and eggs. Lots of science!

Take care! Miss Sally