

# Transitional Kindergarten News

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018



## What's New in TK

This month we are learning about Earth Day and what we can do to help keep the earth clean and healthy. Students will make earth art, pick up litter and brainstorm ideas of things we can do such as recycling and composting our scraps from snack and lunch. We will be using our worm bin for our food scraps that will also fertilize our garden bed.

In science students have been learning about life cycles. We are studying plants, butterflies, frogs, and chickens. We planted bean seeds and have been observing them grow. We will have live painted lady caterpillars and tree frog tadpoles in the classroom to observe as they go through metamorphosis. We will also plant our garden bed behind our room that we will soon be planting with edibles to care for and harvest.

## Field Trip

Our field trip to Hidden Villa in Los Altos is coming up on May 4th! This environmental education farm is a wonderful place to explore in the spring. They have baby animals, a bountiful garden and so many opportunities for learning about life cycles, science and nature.

We will need 5 chaperones to drive at least 3 children in their vehicles. Please contact me via e-mail if you would like to join us and let me know how many car seats you can hold. First come, first served. We will be leaving school at 10:30 and returning for lunch by 12:30. I am limited to having 5 chaperone/drivers. Thanks!

## Glitter Bottles

After spring break, we will be making our own glitter meditation bottles. Please bring in a clear plastic bottle with a screw-on lid for your child to use. It should be no bigger than 8oz and have smooth sides.

## TK Reminders:

- Hidden Villa Field Trip - Friday, May 4th
- May Day Parade in Woodside - Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Open House - Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm
- WSF Auction, "Circus" - Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>
- No School May 28<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day

## Wish List:

- Fresh Fruit/Veggies for snacks: apples, bananas, Cuties, grapes, pears, baby carrots, cucumbers etc. The students will eat anything that I offer them at 11:00!
- Play Dough sign ups for April and May are in the classroom