ST. MARY'S BILINGUAL PRESCHOOL

Parent Newsletter

DECEMBER 2016

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1	Free Dress Day
16	Christmas Carol Performance, **MINIMUM DAY**
19-30	Christmas Vacation, **NO SCHOOL**

JANUARY

2	New Year's Day observed, **NO SCHOOL**
3	Preschool resumes
16	MLK Jr. Day, **NO SCHOOL**
23-31	Chinese Culture Week
26	Chinese New Year celebration
27	Chinese New Year's Eve, **NO SCHOOL**
30	Chinese New Year Parade
31	ABC Book Sharing Day

Miss Caroline

(See page 4 to learn more about our new teacher!)

Mia Reynold

IMPORTANT

ABC BOOK PROJECT

(See page 3 for details)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

10:00am to 12:00noon

9:30am ♦ Arrival at Old St. Mary's Cathedral
660 California St., San Francisco

10:00 - 10:30am ♦ Christmas Concert (Cathedral)

10:30 - 11:30am ♦ Reception (Auditorium), *Refreshments will be served)*

ABC Book Project

Support your child's English language development

Parents! Your children need your help!

To further reinforce your child's English language learning, we're asking ALL of our parents to participate in the ABC Book Project. Here's what you and your child will need to do:

Step 1: **Find pictures** (magazines, ads, Internet) of things that begin with <u>one</u> of these letters:

A C M P R S T

Step 2: **Cut out**, **glue**, and **label** these pictures on a piece of paper (half of a 8.5" x 11" sheet is fine).

REPEAT STEPS #1 & 2 FOR ALL SEVEN LETTERS

Step 3: On the last page, **write a silly story** that uses **as many of the words** from the first seven pages as possible. (Sample below)

Step 4: **Practice sharing** the ABC book together, so that your child is ready to present his/her book on ABC Book Sharing Day!

ABC Book Sharing Day: Tuesday, January 31

Sample letter page

This weekend was an ADVENTURE! My MOM and Dad and I wanted to go APPLE picking. But when we got into the CAR, we saw that a PURPLE PIG was sitting in the driver's seat! We were going to call the POLICE, but it was too late— the PIG started driving! He took us to the SEA, where we went SWIMMING and found SEA SHELLS to put in our PAIL. After that, we went to have snack of PEARS and TOMATOES and MILK. Then, we took a TRAIN to AFRICA to watch a RACE between a RABBIT and a TURTLE. We were very SURPRISED when the TURTLE won the RACE! I wanted to see another RACE between a MONKEY and a PUPPY, but we didn't have enough MONEY. So then we went home and went to SLEEP.

Sample silly story

Meet our newest teacher:

Miss Caroline Cliff

We're excited to welcome Miss Caroline to our classroom this month! Miss Caroline will be taking the lead in our English language curriculum. She has nearly ten years of experience teaching young children, and has worked in a variety of international settings, including Beijing, Singapore, and Australia. We are thrilled to have her join our teaching team at St. Mary's Bilingual Preschool!

NEW TUITION RATES

Effective January 2017

Application Fee: $80
Annual Registration Fee: $700

FULL DAY 8:30am-4:00pm		HALF DAY 8:30am-12:00pm	
5 days/week	$1,400	5 days/week	$1,050
3 days/week (M,W,F)	$1,050	3 days/week (M,W,F)	$900

Toddler extra charge (under age 3) $300.00
Extended Care (4:00-5:45pm): $500 (fixed rate)