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# The Celebration Times

February  
2012

It's TAX time!  
Our tax id# is  
**68-0427679**

## Upcoming Events

Friday, February 24  
Babysitting Night  
6:00 pm-10:00 pm  
Ms. Meredith & Ms. Janell

Monday, February 20  
School Closed for  
President's Day

Tuesday, February 21  
Parent Night  
Kindergarten Readiness  
7:00-8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, February 29  
Parent Night  
Matt VanCleave  
7:00 p.m.

1st two weeks of March  
Parent/Teacher  
Conferences

## Director's Scoop

Everyone knows parenting isn't for cowards. It's the toughest job in the world, and with a lot at stake. We all want our kids to grow up healthy, well-adjusted, and be contributing members of society. It's a job we never really master because just when we think we've finally figured out our kids, they change along with everything we "thought" we knew. It's exhausting really. But good moms and dads keep plugging away because we love our kids and it's the right thing to do. A lot of times we think we're in it alone and no one else faces the same obstacles and frustrations we do. This can be especially true if you have a special

needs child. If you are a parent of a child with behavior problems or have suspicions that your child is not developing typically, we have a great resource you may want to contact. It's called Care Parent Network. They are a resource center for families of children with special needs in Contra Costa County. They provide information, referrals, resources, and other family support. Ms. Loretta, a teacher of our Raccoon class has an autistic son and has used the Care Parent Network. She said their support was crucial to her getting help and information. I have their brochure in our resource binder in the lobby. If

you would like more information, please feel free to ask Ms. Loretta or myself about this. We also have other resources as well: family counselors, marriage counselors, physical therapists, play therapists, behavioral intervention, etc.

With a staff as large as ours, it's likely that one of us has been through what you are going through! Let us know how we can help.

~Tina

## Birthdays

1 Marco Q.  
2 Logan W.  
6 Keeley R.  
7 Carter M.  
11 Ayden S.  
11 Lilyana S.  
12 Jackie G.  
15 Allison L.

16 Cole L.  
17 Cole B.  
21 Aiden A.  
22 Katti W.  
26 Emily S.  
27 Ms. Tammi



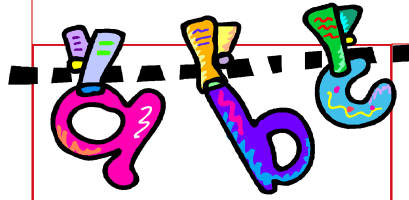
## Kindergarten Seminar

We will be having a Kindergarten Readiness seminar on Tuesday, February 21st from 7:00-8:15 pm. A couple of local kindergarten teachers will be here to answer questions and talk to parents about what to expect for Kindergarten in the fall. Please sign up at the front desk.

# Parent/Teacher Conferences

Student evaluations will be completed at the end of this month. These evaluations cover multiple areas of development: autonomy and social skills, movement and coordination, oral language, mathematical reasoning and number sense, visual arts, and spiritual development. Teachers will be posting a sign-up at the END of February for you to schedule a conference with your teacher. Conferences will be held the first two weeks of March.

Conferences for the Cubs, Raccoons, Cheetahs and Chipmunks will be held the week of **March 5-9th.**



Conferences for the Ducks, Pandas, and Monkeys will be scheduled for the week of **March 12th-16th.**

These conferences are not mandatory, but are strongly encouraged.

Conferences will be scheduled in 15 minute increments so that teachers can meet with every family in a timely manner.

If you cannot find a time that

works for you, the teachers will be happy to conference via phone if that works better.

We thank you for allowing us to partner with you in the education of your children.



**NEW**

To the Library

## ENOUGH

Discovering Joy Through Simplicity & Generosity

By Adam Hamilton

**LIVING RICH FOR LESS**

Create the Lifestyle you want by Giving, Saving, and Spending Smart

By Ellie Kay

**LOVE TALK**

Speak Each Other's Language Like You Never Have Before

## Kindergarten Registration

The following information is for Kindergarten registration in the Brentwood school district.

### General Information:

Child must be five years old on or before November 1, 2012.

Child must have a complete and up to date immunization record.

Appointments for Kindergarten

Registration will be made by calling your designated area school beginning

February 15, 2012.

### Items Needed:

1. Your child.
2. Official Birth Certificate or Passport.
3. Proof of Immunizations.
4. Proof of physical examination and oral health examination.
5. Proof of Residency

### Contact Information:

Brentwood Elem.	513-6360
Garin	513-6370
Krey	513-6400
Loma Vista	513-6390
Marsh Creek	513-6420
Pioneer	513-6410
Ron Nunn	513-6380

**Mark your calendars!**

**MATT VANCLEAVE**

will be back for another

**PARENT NIGHT—Feb 29th**

More information will follow.

[www.mattvancleave.com](http://www.mattvancleave.com)



## Mid-Year Evaluation Results

Thank you to everyone who took the time to fill out the mid-year evaluations and provide us with such valuable information. More than 100 of you responded. The results of your feedback are available at the front counter for you to view, (just ask Ms. Amy if you would like a copy) but here are just a few of the comments:

When asked if you had one **compliment** you'd like to share with us and our board, you said....

~My son says his prayers at night that he learned at school

~Everyone is so kind and caring. I love walking in and seeing smiles on everyone's face. I couldn't ask for better loving, caring, and supportive teachers

~I really feel everyone cares for our son and has his best interest in mind.

~Feels like family

~I never worry while at my own teaching job about the quality of care my children receives at Celebration. I truly believe the staff treats my child as they would their own children

~Excellent skills displayed in front of the classroom

~Wonderful to acknowledge Dads and Grandparents

~The staff is loving and cares for all the children. Kids are learning quickly

~Thankful for the kindness, thoughtfulness, and prayers over our children

~Everyone we have met has been inviting and caring

~As a kindergarten public school teacher, I am extremely pleased with the curriculum and how well it is being taught. When I look at my child or others who attended your school, they are all very well prepared to start school.

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When asked if you had one **concern** you would like to share with us and our board, you said...

~make babysitting available for chat with the teacher nights

~It would be great to have a nursery program for 2 and under

~It would be nice to pay for lunch bunch tickets along with tuition

~Have the school continue past preschool.



~If possible, I would like for the boys and girls to be evened out more in the classroom.

~Show kids how to cook more to enhance their math skills

~I would like to see the children go on field trips, but if that is not possible, I would like to see more visitors to come in (firefighters, pizza maker, etc.)

We value all your feedback and will be reporting to our board the full report. All of your concerns will be addressed and if you had a concern, we will be communicating with you soon. Again, if you would like to see the final results, stop by the front desk.

## Hotline to Haiti

It's hard to believe that it has been over three months since we have had the chance to return to Haiti. Our next trip is planned for February 14th and we are getting more excited by the day!!! It has been an amazing holiday season watching everyone step in and help fill the needs of the Haitian people. We were able to raise the money needed to not only help with the Haitian teacher's salaries at the "Fisherman School" but rather pay off the entire balance for the school year 2011-2012! Praise

God!! In a country where teachers only make \$50-70 a month, it's hard to believe that even that was too much for the Haitian school to be able to fund. Families spend that much on coffee alone here in America each month. Sometimes I think many people don't realize that there are people in other parts of the world who go days on end without being able to feed their children and families. Together we have made it possible for these teachers to provide for their families and

live without the worry of where they will find the money for that next meal.

-Ms. Julie



Fisherman School Teachers

**"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12**

Reminder:  
Please do not leave your children unattended in the car. It is illegal.  
Thank you.

# February 2012

Snack  
Calendar

| Sun                                                                                 | Mon                                                                                                                      | Tue                                                                                  | Wed                                                                                        | Thu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Fri                                                                                    | Sat                                                                                                               |
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|                                                                                     |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                      | <b>1</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/2 c Applesauce / Milk<br>1/2 c Wheat thins/cream cheese/Juice | <b>2</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1 slice ham/2 crackers/milk<br>1/2 c Kix / Milk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>3</b><br>Eggs/Sausage or Ham<br>1 Cheese Sticks/Juice<br>1 slice Ham/ crackers/Milk | <b>4</b>                                                                                                          |
|    |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                      | <b>8</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/2 half Grilled Cheese/Juice<br>1/2 c Green Beans/Milk         | <b>9</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/2 c baked beans/Milk<br>1/2 c pineapple/ Milk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>10</b><br>Eggs/Sausage or Ham<br>1/2 c Pears//Milk<br>1/2 c Veggie Sticks/Milk      | <b>11</b><br>                  |
| <b>5</b>                                                                            | 1/2 c Cereal or 1 Cereal Bar<br><br>1/2 cheerios/milk<br><br>1/2 c Apple-sauce/Milk                                      | 1/2 Bagel & Cream Cheese<br><br>Fresh Fruit/ Milk<br><br>1/2 Bagel/Jam/Milk          | <b>7</b>                                                                                   | <b>12</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>13</b><br>1/2 c Cereal or 1 Cereal Bar<br><br>Class Parties<br><br>1/2 banana/ Milk | <b>14</b><br>1/2 Bagel & Cream Cheese<br><br>Class Parties<br><br>1/2 c Meatballs/Milk<br><b>Valentine's Day!</b> |
|  |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                      | <b>15</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>2 squares graham crackers/ milk<br>1/2 c Goldfish/Milk         | <b>16</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/2 slice Raisin Bread/Milk<br>1/2 c Broccoli/Cheese/ Juice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>17</b><br>Eggs/Sausage or Ham<br>1/2 c cucumbers/ dip/ milk<br>1/2 c Chex /Milk     | <b>18</b>                                                                                                         |
| <b>19</b>                                                                           | <b>20</b><br><b>School Closed</b><br> | <b>21</b><br>1/2 Bagel & Cream Cheese<br>Fresh Fruit/ Milk<br>1 String Cheese/ Juice | <b>22</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/4 Quesadilla/Juice<br>1/2 c Fried Zucchini/Milk              | <b>23</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1/2 c Cheese Chunks/ Juice<br>2 squares Graham Crackers/ Milk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>24</b><br>Eggs/Sausage or Ham<br>1/2 Ham Rollup/Milk<br>1 Gogurt/Juice              | <b>25</b><br>                |
| <b>26</b><br><b>*Menu subject to change.</b>                                        | <b>27</b><br>1/2 c Cereal or 1 Cereal Bar<br>Fresh Fruit/Milk<br>2 Baby Quiche/Milk                                      | <b>28</b><br>1/2 Bagel & Cream Cheese<br>Fresh Fruit/ milk<br><br>Pirate booty/milk  | <b>29</b><br>1-2 Waffles<br>1 rice cake/cream cheese/juice<br>1/2 c rice/ veggies/ milk    | <b>"Love is Patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."</b><br><i>1 Corinthians 13:1-7</i> |                                                                                        |                                                                                                                   |