



Country Village Preschool & Kindergarten

NEWSLETTER

FOOTHILL RANCH

MAY 2007

SCIENCE ROOM NEWS

Check out the great activities going on in our science room this month. We are incubating chickens eggs and they should begin to hatch very soon! Each classroom received caterpillars that we will put into our butterfly garden. We will start planting seeds in our garden so be on the lookout for things to start sprouting up!

DAY IN THE PARK

Due to inclement weather, we were very disappointed to have to cancel our annual Day in the Park on Saturday, April 21st. In lieu of Day in the Park, we would like to invite our families to enjoy the activities with their child on Thursday, May 3rd and Friday, May 4th on the yards. Stop by during your child's yard time and we'll have the fun experiences we had planned available on our playgrounds.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Country Village celebrates Teacher Appreciation Week **May 7th-11th**. Let's show our teachers how much we appreciate all the love that they give and hard work that they do.

FAMILY NIGHT and BOOK FAIR

On **Thursday, May 17th, from 6:30 to 7:30pm** will be our Family Night and Book Fair. This is a special night for the children to invite their families in to the classroom to see all of the wonderful work they have done. Janis Silver of Children's World sponsors our book fair. She will have fabulous books for our families to purchase on our patio. Hope to see you here!

TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Country Village Foothill Ranch is celebrating its tenth anniversary this month! We would like to extend our heart felt thanks and gratitude to all of our wonderful families for their support and patronage over the last ten years. We would also like to thank our wonderful staff of teachers for all of their hard work and dedication in teaching and caring for all of your children. Thank you one and all!!

COUNTRY VILLAGE T-SHIRTS

We have cute Country Village t-shirts available in the lobby for \$10. If you would like one, stop by the office and pick one up!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 3rd / 4th** "Day in the Park" on the playgrounds
- May 17th** Family Night and Book Fair 6:30-7:30pm
- May 28th** **Closed** for Memorial Day
- June 13th/14th** Last days of school
- June 14th** Kindergarten Graduation
- July 2nd** Summer Session begins
- July 4th** **Closed** for Independence Day



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
May 7th-11th, 2007

We asked the parents and children

"Why do you love/appreciate your teacher?"

ROOM #1: MRS. CINDY GOODRICH

"Mrs. Goodrich is the most amazing teacher! Our kids are all the richer now for having been taught by her, a teacher like no other. She has a big heart and great passion. We applaud you Mrs. Goodrich. You are a truly gifted teacher!"
~ Tullius Family

"We love her! (Sabrina Noh) because she's so smart...(Lena Suheimat)...she's so sweet...(Riley Murdock)..and she even teaches us math." (Riley Mills)

ROOM #2: MISS ERIN HOAGLAND

"You can tell Miss Hoagland truly enjoys her job when you walk into her class room. She is always organized and well prepared with her lesson plans. We, as parents, can easily talk to Miss Hoagland about any issues or concerns we have about our child. She is personable and well liked by all the children in the yard. Because of her, Julia's self confidence has shot up this year in her class. Julia looks forward to preschool these days and all the new adventures Miss Hoagland has in store for her. Thank you for all your hard work and effort this year!"
~The Martinez Family

"Because I really do like her...because she likes me all the time."
~ James Slaybaugh

ROOM #2: MRS. MARY MARQUES

"I am truly grateful that my daughter's first year of preschool was with Mrs. Marques'. She has a very warm and friendly way of engaging her students. I have been impressed with the organization in the classroom and the children's enthusiasm to participate. My experience with Country Village and all of the teachers has been rewarding for us, as parents, and for my precious little girl. Thank you so much."
~ Lisa Carlos

"Umm...because she always teaches me stuff....I love her."
~ Reynalyn Linis

ROOM #3: MISS SHELBY KEAYS

"Miss Keays has a gift for teaching and a love for her students that is evident in everything she does, from her fun and meaningful lesson plans to the

pride with which she helps our kids display their work for parent conferences and open house. Her open arms and open heart make her a perfect teacher."
~Lilienthal Family

"Because she lets me play soft blocks and well...she helps me with stuff."
~John Warburton

ROOM #4: MRS. DEBBI KAPLAN

"I want to extend my gratitude and admiration to Mrs. Kaplan for the unconditional love and respect she gives to each of the kids in her classroom. She has nurtured, loved and cared for my son and because of that he has gained confidence and grown academically, emotionally and socially. Supported by enthusiasm, she has provided him with guidance and discipline, which has created and will continue to foster a love for learning. Mrs. Kaplan has contributed to Brad's future successes and for that I am grateful."
~ Engelke Family

"Umm...because she has blond hair...'cause she has a lot of toys in her room...I like to draw in her class."
~Faith Lee

ROOM #5: MISS KATHY ROBERTS

"We are so thankful for Miss Roberts She has made our preschool experience such a delightful one. She has made such a positive change with our daughter Emily from when she first started at Country Village. Miss Roberts always keeps me informed about Emily's day. We couldn't have asked for a better teacher. Thank you Miss Roberts!"
~The Turner Family

"Cause she lets us play whatever we want and she lets us color and paint."
~Rachel Wissmueller

ROOM #6: MISS SHANNON CHAFFEE

"We are so thankful that our daughter has been able to receive the benefits of such extraordinary teaching and all around caring that Miss Chaffee has given. Miss Chaffee cares personally for each child as their own being, and not just as a student. She has been able to teach them each so much without them ever having the feeling of being taught. They learn through all of the various activities that Miss Chaffee has constantly available for them, including the numerous projects that she offers where each child can use their own independent expression. And she doesn't hesitate

a second to shift gears and follow the children's lead in what works best for them. She is always listening to the kids, and they know that, making them feel that much more comfortable in school. It is always amazing to us that Miss Chaffee can know so many details about each individual child in her class, while still leading and giving attention to the entire classroom. Thank you to Miss Chaffee for being such a wonderful teacher."

~The Gilbert Family

"Because she gets snack...because she's the best teacher...because she likes me." ~Andre Torres

ROOM #7: MRS. RAYNA KERBER

"How can you add some spice to your life? How about taking over a pre-school class of a bunch of crazed 4 year olds when the school year has already started?! Well, that is what Mrs. Kerber did and she has been wonderful. It is not an easy task taking over any assignment once it has started but Mrs. Kerber did that when she took over Room 7 and the kids never missed a beat. She incorporated her new ideas into the "routine of Room 7" and the year has been such a success. Her creative ideas and enthusiasm creates so much energy in Room 7 that all the kids truly have a great time throughout the day. She is VERY patient and she works very hard to create a positive learning atmosphere. All of the kids and parents are very lucky to have such a wonderful teacher supervising, teaching and dedicating her time to our kids. With children of her own it is easy to see where she gets her patience and knowledge for the development and progress for all the kids in Room 7."

~ Sanders Family

"I just love her...'cause I give her a big hug."
~ Eric Howells

ROOM #8: MRS. THERESA CLINCH

"Words cannot express how wonderful Mrs. Clinch has been! She is a wonderful teacher with an incredible love for what she does. She always has a warm welcome for the children as well as their parents. She has created a classroom that has excitement throughout every center and so many interesting choices that keep the kids anticipating what they get to do next. Her enthusiasm is so contagious it's not uncommon to see parents jumping in and joining the activities as well. She has made her class so loving that Trevor asks why he

can't go to school on the weekends! Thank you Mrs. Clinch, for ALL that you do! Its teachers like you that make such a huge impact on our children's lives and can never be forgotten."

~The Morgan Family

"Cause I love her...'cause I love to play with her."

~Asger Abildgren

ROOM #9: MISS SHEENA ELY

"Miss Ely is the one of the best teachers a child could ever have. Cameron constantly talks about her, and he is always showing us something new that she has taught him. As a matter of fact the other day he started to sing a song, and when I asked him where he learned the song he said (Miss) "Ely". Miss Ely really cares about her students, and it reflects in how much they care about her. After missing a few days of school because of vacation, he mentioned that he misses Miss Ely, and said "want to go to school". How many kids actually say they want to go to school? We can't thank Miss Ely enough for how much she has done for, cared for, and taught Cameron. Have a Great Teacher Appreciation Week!"

~ Ohlrich Family

"Because we love her."

~Kosta Anastasakis

ROOM #9: MRS. COURTNEY LARCOME

"It has been wonderful for our daughter's first year in preschool to have a teacher with so much enthusiasm for teaching young children. Beae receives excellent care and many stimulating activities every day. She has been encouraged to excel in the things that she is good at and given multiple opportunities to learn and grow. She has learned songs that she sings at home and enjoys all of the stories and art activities planned for her each day. Mrs. Larcome spends the time to make and keep the classroom stimulating, organized and creatively accessible. We cannot thank her enough for taking the time to do this and for all of the extra love and attention she bestows on her students. Knowing that Beae receives such excellent care, we can leave her in the mornings with sense of peace and pride in our school. Thank you and all of the Country Village staff!"

~ Bernstein Family

"Just 'cause...we just do."

~Aiden Nguyen

ROOM #10: MRS. RASHMI KOTHARI

"Mrs. Kothari is a very special person in our house! My son loves his teacher and thinks she is full of fun ideas! Mrs. Kothari greets him with enthusiasm and a big hug every morning. He can't wait to get to school every day and is so disappointed on Saturday and Sunday that he can't go to school. Mrs. Kothari has created a safe, exciting, and inviting environment in which kids flourish while having a ball! As a parent, I appreciate the obvious love she has for each of her students and the skilled way she guides each child to reach their full potential. Each morning as I drop my son off, I see a carefully prepared classroom awaiting him, filled with fun, educational activities set up and ready to go. I can hardly get my two year old daughter out of the room! Castles made of blocks, animal habitats, experiments, pretend play stations...so much to do and enjoy! I also appreciate the fantastic units Mrs. Kothari prepares that have given my son so much knowledge about the world around him. It is so exciting to my husband and I to see our son learning so much each day!

Mrs. Kothari once told me that she cares about her students as if they were her own kids. This is so evident in the way she teaches and cares for her students! We are truly blessed to have Mrs. Kothari as our son's teacher this year!"

~ Barr Family

"Cause she's my favorite teacher... 'cause I just like her...because she keeps giving me two kinds of snack."

~Cameron Owens

ROOM #11: MRS. CYNTHIA SANCHEZ

"Eureka! Our family certainly struck gold this year with Mrs. Sanchez! Our daughter has certainly blossomed to her full potential both academically and socially because of the gifts Mrs. Sanchez processes as a teacher. Mrs. Sanchez is incredible for so many reasons. A few of them are her loving nature, creative mind, enthusiastic teaching and compassionate heart. Her gifts such as these are certainly a blessing to Faye and the other children in room 11. Thank you, thank you, thank you for all you do, all you are and all you stand for. We cherish you and honor YOU this week and always."

~ The Bostrom Bunch

"Cause I like her and she's a nice teacher to me."

~Meghan Dorame

ROOM #12: MRS. ROSARIO CHERRY

"Thank you so much Mrs. Cherry for stepping in mid school year to co-teach in room 12. What a great addition you have made to the classroom! We love your warmth, gentleness, and caring manner you display with and for all students. Your work and dedication to children is greatly appreciated. Thank you!"

~The Kuno Family

"Cause she's smart."

~Nicholas Sorge

ROOM #12: MRS. KRIS HOFFMAN

"We appreciate Mrs. Hoffman's experience and knowledge of child development. During the year she has given us valuable feedback on Dylan's progress and growth. When Mrs. Hoffman conducted his assessment we were really able to get a grasp on how he was doing in her room. She covered all of our questions and exceeded our expectations with in-depth explanations. We have seen tremendous growth in Dylan since he started in Mrs. Hoffman's class and we owe it all to her and the excellent assistants and staff at Country Village."

~The Schwartz Family

"Cause I love her."

~Rohan Biju

RESOURCE TEACHERS**MRS. DEBBIE DUNCAN**

"Cause she's nice."

~ Matthew Fox

MRS. YVETTE BAHA

"Because she puts out hula hoops for us to play with and fun things to do and it's from Baja."

~Allyson Meister

MRS. SIMIN ESMALI

"Cause I love all the teachers and we want all the teachers to be our teachers."

~Rory Dudley

MISS AIMEE KRULL

"Cause she's real nice."

~Connor Invancik

MRS. BARBARA RODRIQUEZ

"Cause she sets up the obstacle course and she's nice like Riley said."

~Lena Suheimat