

GLEN OAKS MONTESSORI

From Tiny Acorns Mighty Oak Trees Grow

Sharing

This month will be practicing our winter performance songs during our circle times. In order to fit our Montessori curriculum in with the singing, we will not have sharing during the month of December. We will resume 'Sharing' in January.

Coat Drive

This month Glen Oaks will be accepting donations of new children's coats for the Samaritan House of San Mateo. **The last day to donate is Wednesday, December 12th.** So far we have collected 4 new children coats. We thank you for your contributions!



Extended Care

On Wednesday, December 12th the **extended care will close at 5:30 pm** for the teachers annual holiday party. We thank you for your cooperation!

Dear Parents,

This month, the children are busily preparing the classrooms with decorations for our holiday performance and practicing our songs daily! The classroom is filled with holiday themed, multi sensory materials and the children continue their study of Africa, its animals, art, clothing and landmarks. The children will be reading books and talking about holiday traditions from all over the world as we gear up for the Winter Performance and Pot luck.

We are thankful for our parent volunteers from November! Sachi, Akane's mom, who made origami with the children, Madhavi, Sachin's mom, who helped us celebrate Diwali, Deborah, Quinn's mom, who led a circle about Hanukkah and prepared Potato Latkes for the children, and Ashley, Peter's mom for volunteering as a Mystery reader.

Winter Performances and Potluck: Friday 12/21

We invite you to our annual Winter Performances where the children will be singing winter and holiday themed songs. **The schedule for the day will be as follows:**

9:45 am All children are dropped off in their morning classroom, either 1 or 2. The children will be singing in two groups this year to give parents extra viewing space. (parents, relatives and friends please wait in the hallway until 10:00am)

10:00 am Parents enter the classrooms and performances begin promptly.

10:45 am Surprise visit from Santa in Classroom One, children may wait in line sit on Santa's Lap.

11:00 am Pot luck in the Classroom Two (Sign-ups will be available on the clipboards next week)

All children are encouraged to join the performance regardless of their schedule. Glen Oaks is closed for the normal school day on



Thanksgiving Celebration 2018

December's Curriculum:

- Geography - Africa and Lake & Island
- Zoology - Fish
- Botany - Parts & function of the stem
- Special Topics - The needs of Humans (Shelter, Clothing, food)
- Peace - Self Awareness
- Seasons - Winter
- Holidays - Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa

After school Art

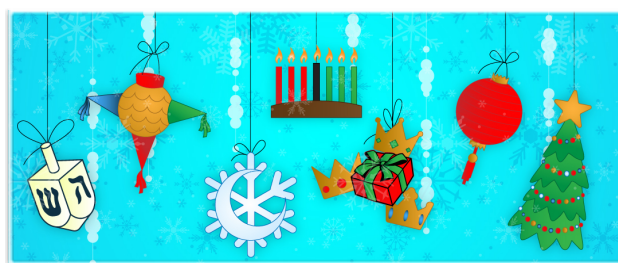
Little artists, come join Ms. Val in eight (8) sessions of exciting arts and crafts activities that are delightful and fun to do. The class provides opportunities for your children to explore, work their creativity, learn various art techniques and develop their cognitive, social-emotional and multi sensory skills. **Classes begin Monday, 12/10.** Please see the flyer on Pg 3 to enroll.

the 21st. We ask that each child be accompanied by a parent or guardian for this event. If your child will not be able to attend, please let us know ahead of time. We have special costumes planned for the children, please dress your child in brightly colored clothing for this event.

Because there is limited parking, we ask that you come early in order to find a space. Be gracious to the parents of our neighboring schools and please park on either Santa Margarita or Barcelona instead of the parking lot.

Pot luck: This year, we're trying something new! Please bring a dish that originates from your families original or adoptive culture, or from your favorite culture. Please attach a card that includes your dishes name and origin. Sign ups are posted on the bulletin boards.

December	January	February
12 Wednesday Extended Care closes at 5:30 SCHEDULE CHANGE	7 Tuesday First day of the spring semester REGULAR SCHEDULE	1 Friday Lunar New Year Celebration REGULAR SCHEDULE
20 Thursday Last day of fall semester REGULAR SCHEDULE	21 Monday Martin Luther King Jr. Day SCHOOL CLOSED	8 Friday SY 2019-2020 and Summer 2019 application forms due
21 Friday Winter Performance <i>Parents Invited!</i> SCHOOL CLOSED	25 Friday Application forms for SY 2019-2020 and Summer 2019 sent home	13/14 Wed & Thurs Valentine's Day exchanges REGULAR SCHEDULE
Dec 24 - Jan 4 Winter Recess SCHOOL CLOSED	Fur, Scales and Tails Reptile Show, TBA	15-18 Fri-Mon President's Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED



Creative Hands Hub

Winter Arts & Crafts

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Location: **Glen Oaks Montessori**

Time: **3:30-4:45 p.m.**

Dates: **Mondays - 12/10, 12/17, 1/7, 1/14, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, and 2/25**

Cost: **\$225 (including all materials)**



Creativity is intelligence having fun!"

- - Albert Einstein

To sign up your child, kindly fill out this form and return it to the school with your payment on or before December 7, 2018 (Friday). Please make checks payable to Valerie Altura. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Val at creativehandshub@gmail.com. Thank you!

Child's name: _____

Parent's phone: _____

Parent's email: _____



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Holiday

Coat Drive

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