

Dear True Sunshine Community,

This month I am excited to invite you to a workshop by Child Development specialist Sylvia Ford. She will be discussing early brain development and how we should be using creative strategies when working with young learners. I was first introduced to her when I was working as a preschool teacher and found her approach very unique and helpful. The workshop will take place on Thursday July 6th at True Sunshine Preschool.

The following Wednesday July 12th we are hoping that you can come to our last Parent Advisory Meeting of the year. We will be sharing important changes to the program as well as sharing the results of the Parent Surveys and celebrating our accomplishments for the year.

We will provide Supper and childcare at both events so please sign up to save a spot!

Sincerely,

Marianne Lam

Director

Special Requests and Announcements

- We would like to ask parents to take their children to wash their hands upon arrival at True Sunshine.

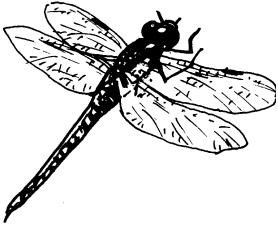
- Every Friday please bring your child's knapsack home to wash.
- The Butterfly class would appreciate donations of recycled materials such as toilet paper rolls, cereal boxes, or anything else that the children can use to create 3D sculptures with. Please drop off your donations in the box near the sign-in binder.
- If you have not yet come to the class as a visiting expert on bags please arrange to do so with Teacher Mei Yi or Teacher Anna.

Important Dates

- 7/3 Leo's Birthday
- 7/4 Independence Day (School Closed)
- 7/6 Creative Discipline Workshop at 5:30
- 7/7 Dragonfly field trip to Betty Ann Ong Playground
- 7/11 Jayden's Birthday
- 7/12 Parent Advisory Meeting 5:30
- 7/18 Butterfly Fieldtrip to the Marina Branch Library
- 7/27 Both groups go to the Marina Branch Library

Special Acknowledgements

- Thank you to Jasmine's mom for donating her bags to the school.
- Thank you to all of the parents who made food in celebration of the graduates.
- Thank you to Catheryn for volunteering to bring a cake to celebrate all of the Spring and Summer birthdays.



The Dragonflies

Teacher Julie, Teacher Anna, Teacher Bao Wen

Designing Cloth Bags

In June the Dragonflies continued to design their own cloth bags. The children first thought about what they wanted to draw. Then Teacher Anna gave each child a piece of paper and a pencil to draw a sketch of their design. They then chose an art form to use to transfer their designs onto their bags.

Through this activity many children learned that drawing their own designs onto the cloth bags was much easier than drawing onto the waxy paper bags that they used earlier in the month. The children also learned that using crayons on their bags did not work as well as paints. They learned that they could mix two colors of tempera paints together to make a new color. Some of the children have taken this same concept to make new colors when the color they desire is not available.



The Butterflies:

Teacher Wendy, Teacher Mei Yi, Teacher Ming, Teacher Amy

Designing Our Own Graduation Caps

In celebration of the graduates, the children designed their own red caps to remember their time at True Sunshine. They used construction paper and other art materials such as pom poms, yarn, colored tape, and foam stickers.

Through this activity the children learned how to fold a piece of construction paper around their heads to measure them. The children used their fine motor skills to tear off colored construction tape from the tape dispenser and practiced turn taking as they waited to use the tape dispenser. They used their creative thinking skills to decide which foam stickers or pictures to include on their caps. The children also used their fine motor skills to hold a pair of scissors to cut pieces of yarn shorter in order to make the tassels. Through this activity they also learned the following new vocabulary words: caps, tassels, and graduates.

Fundraising

Schoola

- Check out our new Schoola storefront where you can shop to earn funds for True Sunshine!
truesunshinepreschool.ashopz.com

Amazon

- When making Amazon purchases use the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2242733>. True Sunshine will receive 0.5% of all of your purchase.

Food4Less

- Do you shop at Food4Less? If so, please visit www.food4less.com. There you may register to donate a portion of your purchases under the community rewards tab.