



STAYING HEALTHY & SAFE

Wow, what a crazy and a little scary time for everyone. We hope everyone is staying healthy and safe. We are all resilient and will get through this together! We, just as every other human, are taking it one day at a time. We are happy to be here and available for the families who need us during this dire time and hope to continue helping those who are home. We thank all the families who replied to our April Tuition/Enrollment survey. This truly helped us plan and staff appropriately. If you have not seen it yet, we hope everyone will be able to take advantage of our "Home Activities" that were emailed out early this week. For those interested, we encourage you to post your activities on our school's Facebook page. We hope this will also act as a way of staying connected, share ideas and continue building relationships. As always, we thank you for your support!

<https://www.facebook.com/cv.preschool.orange/>

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Closing Early

School will be closing at **4:00pm on Wednesday, April 29th** for staff development.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Rooms 1, 3, 6, 7 and 8's parent/ teacher conference days will be:

- **Tuesday, April 21st** = Rooms 8 and 7
- **Wednesday, April 22nd** = Rooms 3 & 1
- **Friday, May 1st** = Room 6

Parents will have the chance to meet with their child's teacher, share ideas and find out what their child enjoys most about school. This conference is for parents only; please be sure to make childcare arrangements unless your child is enrolled for that day. The sign-up sheets are attached to the sign in/out books.

Week of the Young Child

Week of the Young Child is April 13th through 17th. The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association.

The purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children, their families and to recognize the early childhood programs serving them. We will have a week full of fun activities and themes for the children. (see attached flyer)

Scholastic Book Club

April Scholastic book orders are available by your child's sign in and out table. **Orders are due Thursday the 16th.** Please drop your order form and payment in the box in the office or order online at:

www.scholastic.com/bookclubs

Our school activation code is: **GKJ9B**

UPDATE ON APRIL EVENTS

With our current climate, the following **activities/events will be canceled.**

- **CANCELED - Spring Family Fest:** Friday, April 17th from 4-6pm - Due to the cancellation of this event, we will operate at regular hours on this day 7:00am to 6:00pm. **We will not be closing at 4:00pm in preparation of the event.**
- **CANCELED - Picture Day: April 27th, 28th, and 30th**
- **CANCELED - Tanaka Farms Field Trip: Wednesday, April 29th**



SPRING CURRICULUM

The following are common topics that may emerge this month: "insects", "silkworms", "spiders & snails", "caterpillars & butterflies", and "outer space".

We have baby chicks! Please stop by the office to see the new addition(s) to our school!

The preschoolers will also be observing the life cycle of butterflies (going from caterpillars, to chrysalides, to butterflies) in their classroom. We hope to release them by Wednesday, April 22nd in celebration of Earth day!

LOOKING AHEAD IN MAY

Events & activities are contingent on climate and may be canceled.

- *Lemonade Social - **Thursday, May 7th**
- *School closes at 4pm for staff development - **Wednesday, May 13th**
- ***School Closed** in observance of Memorial Day - **Monday, May 25th**
- *Our Open House & International Food Fair will be - **Friday, May 29th from 6:00PM to 7:00PM.**

HANDWASHING REMINDER

Handwashing is one of the best ways to protect yourself and your family from getting sick and the most effective way to prevent the spread of germs.

Washing your hands often, especially during these key times when you are likely to get and spread germs:

- **Before, during, and after** preparing food
- **Before** eating food
- **After** using the toilet
- **After** blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- **After** touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- **After** handling pet food or pet treats
- **After** touching garbage

Follow Five Steps to Wash Your Hands the Right Way

1. **Wet** your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
2. **Lather** your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
3. **Scrub** your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
4. **Rinse** your hands well under clean, running water.
5. **Dry** your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

This was taken from the CDC website. Please visit the site for more detailed information regarding handwashing and the use of hand sanitizers. <https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>

