



Monte Tavor Newsletter

A Spanish Immersion experience for children of all ages.

Summer is all about being outdoors!

Fall Celebrations and Events

Fall Science Fair

Every year, Fall Science Fair, not only indicate the end of summer themes, but the beginning of our science based program for ages 15 months and older. Children and their parents have the opportunity to participate in an age appropriate Science event. Parents will have the opportunity to witness many activities their children have been and will continue taking part of during the months of September, October, and November. Most



of these activities will be demonstrated on this day. Children and their parents will be able to experience how it feels to touch different ingredients, when mixed or combined. Do not miss out on this fantastic fun event. Be prepared to get wet and messy. Please make sure your child, as well as yourselves, are dressed accordingly! Laguna this Friday!

Graduates Core Parents Meeting (class 2019)

This is a very important parent meeting for the families whose children belong to the 2019 Graduating Class. We will review the Core Curriculum and present you with information regarding your graduate. A kindergarten prep curriculum plan is offered to the graduating class and children eligible for Transitional Kindergarten. A few key areas are: preparing them for a classroom environment, working on individual and group projects, workbooks, lesson plans, social emotional learning skills, and more.

Toddler Dance Event

Join us for an exciting morning! Toddlers and young preschoolers will show off their moves alongside their dance group or accompanied by one or both of their parents; either option is fine and helps children build confidence for future events. This event will be held at the Leona Lodge and it will be a potluck event hosted by families from the performing groups.

All families are invited and welcome to show the young class support. This event is a great opportunity to meet one another. Rockit City Dj's will once again supply music and sound.

Monte Tavor Fundraiser

Schools in general, regardless of size are always looking for ways to improve their program. Monte Tavor does not ask for donations or volunteer opportunities to put together children, family, staff or school events, teacher trainings, cover O/T hours, extra materials, unexpected repairs and maintenance, and many other expenses involved in running a school. Most school teachings and opportunities are limited to the funds they have available to them, but at Monte Tavor, we make a tremendous effort to avoid limiting ourselves when it comes to the care and success of children and the satisfaction of families in our program. Monte Tavor puts together family and children's events, hosts nature vans, WildCare and Oakland Zoo Mobile visits, as well as other educational programs. And, we proudly strive to maintain these activities that not only help build community, but bring joy to children, families, teachers and providers.





We hope to continue expanding these opportunities by bringing Capoeira martial artists to demonstrate their moves and Yoga/Dance instructors to teach poses/movements to current teachers and children.

We would also appreciate your help in spreading the word about our fall Fundraiser and Book Fair to family, friends and neighbors. All proceeds are used towards these aforementioned extracurricular activities. Let's continue building our program together!

RSVP for all events

Family Get Together and Fall Cultural Potluck.

The Cultural Potluck has been a wonderful Monte Tavor tradition for several years. We are proud to once again be hosting this event in our diverse community. Families, teachers and providers are welcome and encouraged to share a glimpse of their cultural background and heritage through dishes, recipes, photographs, flags, maps, and costumes that you feel represents countries or states where you or ancestors were born or are from. This potluck helps build a stronger community and raises cultural awareness. Join us!

Parent Conferences

This school year, we would like to offer the opportunity for families to schedule Mid-Day Video Conferences via Skype or FaceTime. Regular conferences will always still be available by appointment in the mornings or afternoons. When scheduling your conference time, please make sure to choose the type of conference you would prefer and if video / conference call, be sure to specify type in the note section.

[SCHEDULE HERE](#)

Dress up Week and Mini Fall Parade (at the Laguna site)

The dress up week is a fun time where children may bring in their dress up costumes they have at home. The Dramatic Play theme gets more exciting as children get to wear these costumes all day long during this week. Children at both sites will participate. Based on the characters or theme they dress up in,

they will be putting together Emergent Themes that will be all based on their interest. Meaning that if they come dressed as Bakers or Doctors teachers will help the children put up that play theme for the day. Community helpers and nature based costumes are best, but any other costumes that represents super heroes or heroines are fine.

The mini **Fall Parade** will take place on October 31st. Skyline families are welcome to join this parade, which will take place on Laguna Avenue. Children who will be accompanied by teachers and parents, will walk along Laguna Avenue to Madeline St and back; no intersections will be crossed. You may accompany us on this fun morning. Parent costumes optional.

Book Fair

The Book Fair is a great way to not only support your child's Spanish immersion at home, but to assist your child achieve a stronger school-home connection. Every year, we try to expose families to many Spanish books, songs, and activities. Donating books or contributing to this fundraiser is a great way to help support our Monte Tavor library. All proceeds are used to purchase more Spanish books.

Classroom Events and Parent Participation

Throughout the school year, we have several classroom events and other opportunities for parents to join their children (15 months and older), to prepare an activity.

Fall Decoration

Children may bring in pumpkins, leaves, corn, or any decorative item to set up a play area. On Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 9:00 AM, two parents may sign up for a fall activity. This may include crafts, water play, reading a book, singing songs, playing an instrument etc. Please let us know if you are interested and we will let you know of other parents participating in your child's group.

Celebration of Day of the Dead

Children may bring decorative items to put together a mini altar in remembrance of loved ones. Pictures, battery operated candles, flowers, food, sugar skulls, or any special items are welcomed. Children 3 years and older are able to better comprehend this event. Two parents from each group may create an activity. This may include food,

pictures, crafts, reading a book, singing songs, playing an instrument etc.

Winter Holiday Celebrations

Winter Holiday Celebrations begin December 3rd through the 14th. Each year we ask parents to join us and to create an activity that teaches children culturalism and costumes. Families are welcome to join their child's group. (ages 3 year and older) Families in the past have presented about Hannukkah, Christmas, Kwanza, Diwali, and Mayan Culture. We invite parents to share their culturalism as a way to teach children diversity. Please let us know if you would like to prepare a mini activity or schedule a time for you to come in and share any celebration.



Check out the Pictures

View our web galleries for pictures from both sites. Check out the parents' app for group or individual pictures this upcoming week!!

[Photo Gallery](#)

Outdoor Play (Laguna Site)



Art Activities

Laguna Location

Children 15months and older participate in an age appropriate art curriculum



Art tools: Scrappers and Rollers



Sticky Matter, while not getting dirty



Car, train, and airplane painting



Kinetic sand



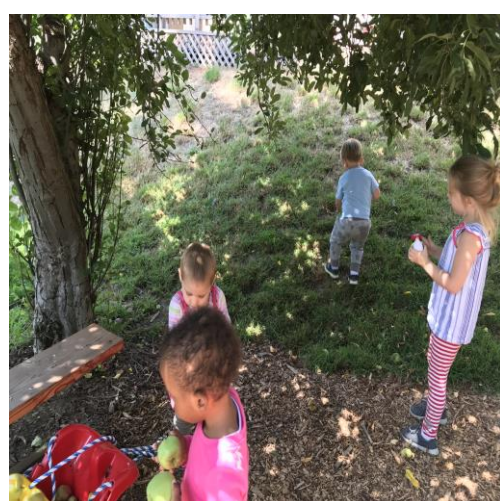
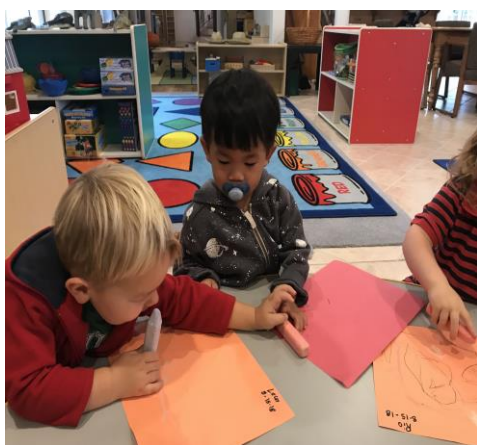
Roller painting and stamping



Cardboard Painting



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Skyline Location

Outdoor Play



Infants Skyline and Laguna



Contact

Best way to get in contact with Monte Tavor is by calling or texting (510) 967-2876.

Voice messages may not be listened to immediately.

E-mailing montetavor.communications@gmail.com is another great way to get in contact with us during business hours.

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Recognition Awards



We would like to thank all individuals and organizations who nominated Monte Tavor Preschool Programs to be the winner for the 2015, 2016, and 2017 Best Businesses of Oakland Award Preschools Category.

Monte Tavor feels very proud of such merit to be granted. Thank you!!!