# N E W B U R Y CAKS P R E S C H O O L Fantastic February!



### February 2024

Last month we enioyed learning about plants, animals, and people who live in cold places. We had fun finding out how the animals survive in their cold habitat. We took surveys to figure which out arctic animal was our class favorite. The children painted with ice and explored arctic environments in the classroom.



Our theme for the month of February is "Healthy Hearts and Bodies". As a school, we are going to be learning how to keep our bodies healthy. We will learn about good hygiene, germs, and the difference between healthy and "other" foods. Please be sure to pack healthy foods in your child's lunch each day and do NOT send candy to school.

We will visit with Paraiso Family the Dental dentist and hygienist on February 13 and take a tour of the office to see the tools the dentist uses to keep our teeth healthy. Dr. Chaffey, the local dentist, will explain how brushing and flossing can keep our healthy teeth and strong. Permission slips are due back February 9.

This month our classrooms will become doctors' offices, veterinarians' offices, and post offices. Children will have the opportunity to work with the

special medical equipment a doctor uses to keep us healthy. We will write letters and cards to our friends and family and send them through our post office.

We will also be creating and sending Valentines. If you would like your child to share Valentines with his/her class, please follow the guidelines in the "Valentines" article. We will also learn how the U.S. Mail works and spend time working in our post offices.

This month would like to highlight our school's director, Ms. Tanya! Ms. Tanya was born in Thousand Oaks and has lived in Moorpark for over thirty years. Ms. Tanya is married and has two children, a seven year old son, Vince, and a three year old daughter, Mila. Ms. Tanya earned her associates dearee Child in Development from Moorpark College and her Bachelors in Child **Development** from the University of La Verne. She has

### Dates to Remember!

- February 2nd—
   Goundhog's Day
- FEBRUARY 14TH—
   VALENTINE'S DAY
   LOVED ONES VISIT!
- FEBRUARY 19TH—
   PRESIDENTS' DAY
   SCHOOL CLOSED
- MARCH 11TH—
   TEACHER IN SERVICE
   SCHOOL CLOSED



worked in the field of Development Child over a decade and feels that it is her role as an early childhood educator to provide a safe and nurturing environment for her students. Ms. Tanya joined our Newbury Oaks team in 2015 as an assistant director and lead teacher. passion has Her always been to work with children and she enjoys working with children and the families at Newbury Oaks Preschool.







# Valentine's Day

THIS YEAR WE WILL BE CELEBRATING VALENTINE'S DAY WITH OUR LOVED ONES FROM 9:00-9:30AM ON FEBRUARY 14. EACH CLASS WILL CELEBRATE WITH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND LOVED ONES. WE ASK THAT EACH CHILD HAVE AT LEAST ONE—BUT NO MORE THAN TWO ADULT LOVED ONES FOR THE 30-MINUTE VISIT.

**OUR VALENTINE EXCHANGES** AND SPECIAL SNACKS WILL TAKE PLACE LATER IN THE DAY WITH THE CHILDREN ONLY. PLEASE SEE YOUR SIGN IN SHEET IF YOU WANT TO DONATE AN ITEM. EACH CHILD MAY BRING IN VAL-ENTINES FOR EVERY CLASSMATE. **OUR CLASS SIZES RANGE FROM** 8-15 STUDENTS. WE WILL GIVE YOU A FINAL CLASS NUMBER CLOSER TO THE PARTY. WHEN LABELING THE CARDS, JUST WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON THE FROM PART OF THE CARD. PLEASE LEAVE THE TO PART BLANK SO THE EXCHANGE IS EASIER FOR EACH CHILD.



### Reregistration

Our annual re-registration process for our current families **begins on Febru-**



ary 5 ends Friday, February 23. Children who will be moving on to kindergarten are asked to let us know when their last day at Newbury Oaks will be. Children who will continue with us next year (July 2024) are asked to complete the "Class Request" form and pay the re-registration fee of \$100 by February 23, 2024. Please see Ms. Tanya or Ms. Adriana in the office if you have any questions.

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### **Drop Off Times**

Please remember to bring your child to school on time. Late drop offs disrupt the daily routines of our students and staff. Children can become uneasy when parents bring them late. If you have a planned activity (Doctor/Dentist appt, car trouble, Kindergarten tour, etc.) please notify the school so we know when to expect your child. We like to start our day together!



PRESIDENTS' DAY February 19, 2024

IN SERVICE March 11, 2024

SPRING HOLIDAY March 29 & April 1, 2024

MEMORIAL DAY May 27, 2024

SCHOOL YEAR ENDS June 28, 2024 (half day)

SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS July 8, 2024 (first day)

LABOR DAY September 2, 2024

# **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place in April this year. Conferences will only be given for children who are leaving Newbury Oaks for Kindergarten in the fall (5 years old by September 1, 2024). Conferences can take place over the phone or in person. Please do not attempt to engage your child's teacher at length during drop off and pick up times as the teachers are responsible for caring for many children during this transitional time. You may set up a conference though the school office should you have any concerns.

