



## MAY/JUNE NEWSLETTER 2010



### Classroom Corner



Our themes for the month of May are:

Week of May 2	Garden/Growing
Week of May 9	Ocean
Week of May 16	Ocean
Week of May 23	Art
Week of May 30	Vacations
Week of June 6	Last week of school



### Mother's Day Tea

All moms are invited to our tea on Friday, May 7. This is always a special time for moms and children.

We're busy decorating and planning for this day.

Please join us!

11:00am Morning Class  
12:15 pm Afternoon Class

### Annual Board Meeting



Our next board meeting is  
May 12 at 3:30 pm

This is our annual membership meeting and our '10-'11 Board of Directors will be elected from a slate of candidates at this time.

Please plan on attending.

### GRADUATION



The PM Class of 2010 will have a graduation party on June 11th from 2:00—3:00pm in our classroom.

All graduates and their families are invited to attend. An invitation will be sent home at the end of May.

## Mom's Bite Out

Join the IVNS moms and staff for a social evening at Bite Restaurant.



Where: Bite Restaurant

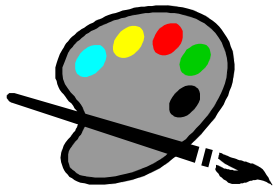
When: Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Time: 5:30-7:30pm

Cost: \$40.

Beverages are not included.

50% of the proceeds will benefit our school!



Incline Village Nursery  
School presents:

## Spring Art Show & Open House

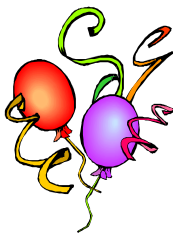
Wednesday, May 26 4:00-5:30pm  
in our classroom.

This show recognizes the importance of art in an early childhood program. Join us in celebrating and congratulating the children on their art.

## Summer Birthdays

We are having birthday celebrations on Wednesday, June 9 for the following children whose birthdays are in the summer.

June 23	Hannah Bloomhuff
July 4	Abe Corman
July 20	Anna Cruz
July 29	Sarah Lockard
Aug. 7	Dylan Cheney
Aug. 10	Simone Ganyard
Aug. 19	Mia Fantozzi
Aug. 19	Cole Lackie



## Preschool Pals

It's been a great year! No doubt you have seen your preschooler become more social and develop new friendships. Now, as the school year draws to an end, he/she may experience the anxiety of saying good-bye to some of those friends. But with your help, summertime can offer your child many opportunities to keep in touch with old friends and to make new ones. Here are some facets of preschool friendships to keep in mind:

### Aspects of Three-Year-Olds Friendships

- Although three-year-olds have the beginning social skills required to play in small groups, twosomes usually work best.
- Threes develop friendships easily; however, these friendships may not be lasting and can change from day to day.
- When participating in an activity, threes are generally more interested in the other children rather than in the activity itself.

### Aspects of Four-Year-Olds Friendships

- Pairs of four-year-olds develop friendships based on shared activities and are less likely to exclude a third friend.
- Strong friendships are quick to develop in fours. Children start to have best friends.
- By age four, children often play in groups. Play is generally cooperative and is often spent in construction-based or imaginative-play activities.

### How Can You Help Your Child Make Friends?

- Using stuffed toys, model conversation starters with your child.
- Provide your child with opportunities to socialize with other children, such as going to the park or participating in a play group.
- When going someplace where your child will encounter other children, bring along some items that can be shared, such as bubble solution or crayons and paper.
- Read books that explore childhood friendships. After reading a book, discuss it so that your own child gains confidence in his/her ability to make friends.

# Summer Fun



## BEACH ART

Need: Plaster of Paris, sand, shells, Styrofoam bowl, and a drink umbrella

Directions: Take plaster of Paris and add sand and put it into a Styrofoam bowl. Then had the children put shells on the top before it set and add a paper umbrella (the kind in drinks). It looks just like the beach on some exotic island.

## SAND CASTLES

Need: Sand Dough, 1 cup cornstarch, 2 cups fine sand, 1½ cups cold water

Directions: Mix in an old pan. Stir 5 - 10 minutes over medium heat until thick. Cool, then store in a plastic bag or container until ready to use. This should yield enough for 4 -6 children.. Give each child a small amount of the sand dough on a paper plate and an assortment of small shells, stones, straws, anything to decorate their castle. These will dry hard if left to set for a few days.

## PLAYDOUGH

Preparation: Mix together in a pan on high, stirring constantly:

1 cup flour	1 tablespoon cream of tartar
1 cup water	1 tablespoon cooking oil
½ cup salt	A few drops of food coloring

Remove from heat when playdough reaches correct consistency. Cool. This playdough recipe will last a long time if stored in a plastic bag or refrigerator bowl.

## SILLY PUTTY














Preparation: Use two parts glue to one part liquid starch. Pour starch into glue, a little at a time, and mix. Add more starch, if needed, so mixture is not sticky. Cover and refrigerate overnight. It has a marvelous texture and consistency and can be cut with scissors, pulled or twisted.

## IRON ART

Preparation: Cut waxed paper into 9"x12" sheets. Plug in iron.

Grate crayon shavings onto a sheet of waxed paper. Then place little pieces of torn colored paper and small chunks of aluminum foil on top of the shavings. Cover with another sheet of waxed paper and place a dishtowel over it. Using extreme caution, press the iron over the towel to make the crayons and the waxed paper sheets melt together. Cut the transparent creations into shapes and hang in the window.

# May 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2  Garden/ Growing	3	4	5	6	7  Teas Hailey's B-day 	8
9 Ocean 	10	11	12  Hawaiian Day	13 Katie's B-day 	14	15
16 Ocean 	17	18 Anthony's B-day 	19  Yoga / Naomi	20	21	22
23 Art 	24	25	26  Art Show	27	28	29
30 Vacations 	31  Memorial Day					

# June 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Summer Birthday Celebration 	10	11 Last day of school! Graduation- PM Class 	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Hannah's B-day 	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			