

# Sunflower Connection

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Ready, Set, Grow! Preschool

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## Dates To Remember

Parent Meeting February  
2nd @ 7:00

NO SCHOOL February  
12th February 15th

Legoland Field Trip February 19th @  
9:45 am

Scholastic Book Fair February 22-26

Hi Ready, Set, Grow! Families-

We are half way through our school year...can you believe it? Have you noticed small changes in your children? My 3's class is able to sit a bit longer during circle time and they can now concentrate on art projects a bit better too! They do not bounce as quickly from one thing to another and have become better little preschool students.

Now my 4's class gone through a different change. They get restless, they have no filter when they speak (you should hear their stories), some are becoming defiant at times, but don't worry it is a good thing, they are exercising their independence. These children are sharpening their fine motor skills, loving our alphabet program and understanding that other people around them have feelings. This is a clear indication to me that my students are readying themselves to move on to their next stage of development.

We had fun at our Teddy Bear Picnic. The children looked too cute in their pajamas holding their little Teddy Bears while we sat in circle time. I explained to the kiddos that their bears had never been to school before, so we needed to show them how to sit quietly or how to raise their *paw* if a Teddy Bear had a question. It was too cute to watch the children as they showed the bears how to do just that.

Our Valentines Party Day is coming up, hope you have helped your child decorate their shoebox. Bring it to school along with their **unaddressed** Valentines on your child's party day. Towards the beginning of March, I will begin evaluating my 4's students for their kindergarten readiness. During this time I will have one extra parent, usually the E-parent, working in the classroom. **If you are the E-parent during the month of March, be prepared to work.** I need to spend time with each student in a one on one setting and my attention needs to be solely on the student I am assessing. Also, remember to pick up a white t-shirt for your kiddo because we will be fish printing, yes using a real fish, for our sea life field trip. Isn't preschool fun?

Happy Valentines Day, thank you for sharing your sweet darlings with me, I love them!

Cheri



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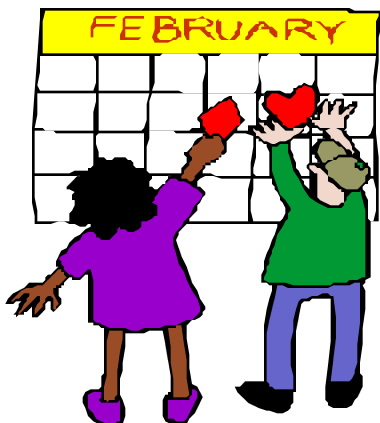
## Save the Date

March 26th will be our annual Art Show fundraiser for our 4's classes. Fabulous art will be on display, handmade by RSG's very own budding Picasso's and Van Gogh's! It will be an open house type setting, please stop by to support the preschool and to make your kiddo so proud of the work they have done! Donations greatly appreciated, checks only!

## Scholastic Update

Our school will NOT be submitting an order for the month of February because we will be offering you instant gratification! Yes— February is the month for love and buying books at Ready, Set, Grow's very own Scholastic book fair. February 22nd-26th, support RSG and give your child the gift of reading. That is how we spell I-o-v-e!

Brandy Ley  
Ethan's Mom/Librarian



Happy Valentine's Day!

What a great month this is. We get to celebrate love, all love. With that being said we have some very exciting things coming up this month. Our elections are starting so please take a moment to talk to each of our Board members to find out a little about our positions if you are interested in coming aboard. We also have some really good fieldtrips coming up too. Lego-land is scheduled for Feb. 19th. Money was already due for this one so I hope everyone was able to take advantage of this great deal.

Now on another note I would like to remind our families of a few things. Please parents, no texting while you are a working parent. We understand that sometimes there may be things going on but it is becoming a habit with many of us. Another thing that is becoming habitual is showing up late on your working days. Again, we understand that occasionally some things may arise that cause this but please try to be more aware and plan a little better.

Remember to hug and kiss just a little more this month.

Xoxo,  
Mindi Mobley  
Kennedy's mommy/President

## 3's February Field Trip

Rosa's Cafe & Tortilla Factory  
28134 Jefferson Ave  
Temecula  
(951)506-5800  
February 25 9:30am-10:30am  
Free

Hello Families!

I find it hard to believe that it is February! Where has the time gone? I love Valentines Day! I think I get more excited making the Valentine box than my daughters do. Be on the lookout for the dates and times of your kiddo's Valentine Party.

I am sure most of you are much more comfortable with the preschool and how it runs, but again I want to remind everyone about a few things. Working parents need to be on time! For the AM classes, this means 8:30 and for the PM 11:45. It is so important that Miss Cheri has the time to go over what you will be working on with the kiddos. Also, it is important that you are picking your kiddo on time as well! In the Parent Handbook it discusses these issues and the consequences of it. We are having a problem with this so I need to give everyone a warning. If it continues you could receive a fine letter in your box.

Have you caught someone being fabulous?

Brenda Maingot

Mommy to Hattie/Vice President

HI RSG Families!

This year is flying by already! I'm looking forward to the February Festivities, the parties and Legoland! I'm going to give a quick explanation on the basic steps in presenting a motion at the meetings. Before you present a motion, make sure that it contains all the pertinent information, including who, what, where, and when. Word the motion in the positive, not the negative. Here is an example of a main motion: I move that we have a picnic on Saturday, June 15, at 3 p.m. in the park. So once you raise your hand and the President assigns the floor to you, you state, "I move..." Another member needs to raise their hand and state, "I second the motion." The President restates the motion and places it before the membership by saying, "It is moved and seconded to have a picnic on Saturday, June 15, at 3 p.m. in the park...Is there any discussion?" The members now have the right to debate or discuss the motion. When the discussion is finished, the President puts the motion to a vote by saying, "All those in favor say "Aye." (or raise hands). Those opposed say "No." (or raise hands). The President announces the vote and who will carry out the action if it is adopted. She will say something like, "The ayes have it, and the motion is carried. We will have a picnic on Saturday, June 15, at 3 p.m. in the park. The school events committee will take care of the details. If you have any questions on making motions, please let me know.

I hope you all have a great February!

Tiffany DeVeney

Andon's Mommy

## Happy Birthday!

Tommy Rashad- 2/1/05

Marissa Donohoe- 2/2/05

Christian Contreras- 2/16/05

The New Year is off to a great start! It's hard to imagine how fast this school year is flying by. Before we know it, graduation will be upon us. Take the time out of everyday and cherish these precious moments. As you know, they grow up so fast! Remember to decorate a shoe box for your kiddos Valentines party. I know Mackenzie can't wait!

Jenn Summers

Class Rep

Hello Blue Monkey Families-

Hope that everyone is enjoying being back at school. The break is always nice but now that my family is back on a routine we are enjoying that again.

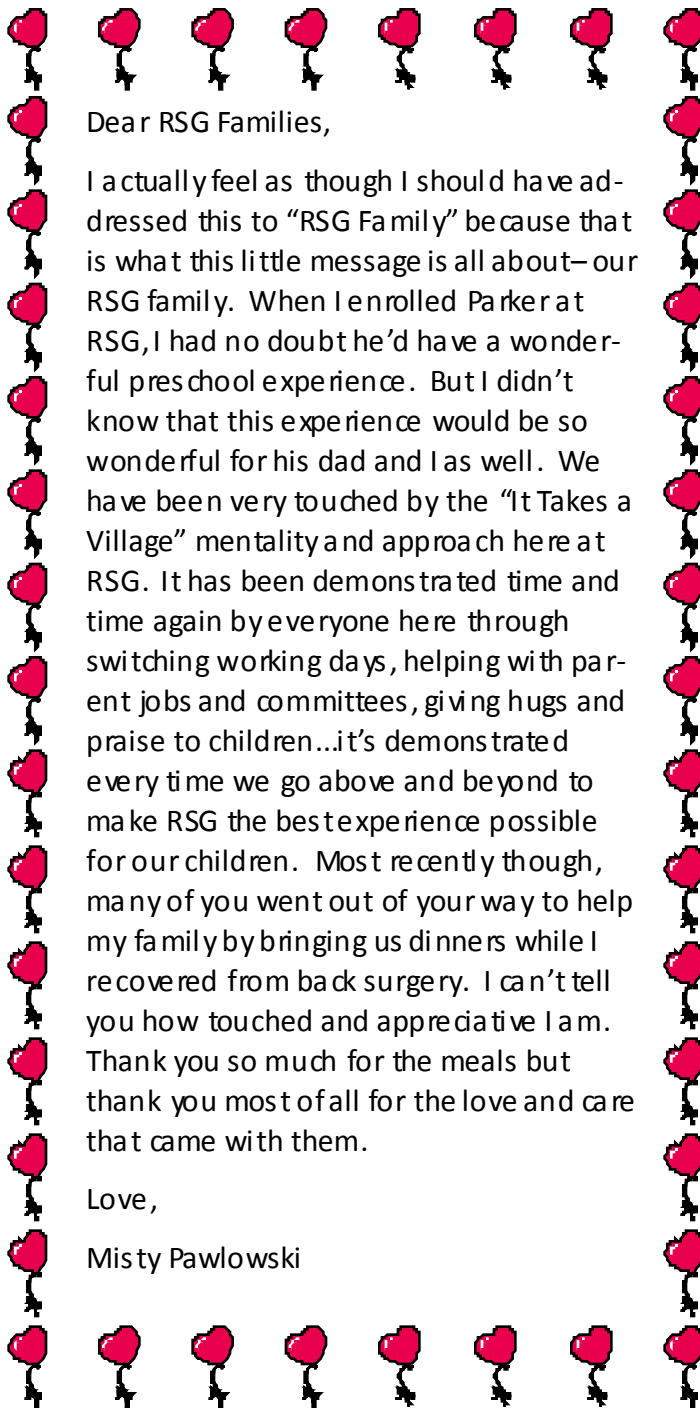
February is an exciting month for all of us at RSG. We have a lot of fun activities planned for our kiddos this month. Some reminders for field trips this month: we have Legoland on 2/19 and Rosa's on 2/23. Thank you Sharon and Alyssa for planning such fun field trips for our kiddos.

Our 3's Valentines Day Party will be Thursday, February 11th. Don't forget to have your child bring a decorated shoe box with all of their valentines for their friends. When you have your child make the valentines, please sign your child's name but leave them unaddressed. It makes it so much easier to distribute them to the class!

Amber- thank you for making PIZZA with the kids. Adin talked about it for a couple of days. He loved the fact that he got to make the "bread." So thanks for taking that extra time with the kids to do that. It was wonderful.

I would like to give a huge thank you to all of our wonderful arts & crafts Moms. You guys ROCK! You do such a wonderful job cutting and it has made this year so great for curriculum. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely  
Jorgie Berenschot (Adin's Mommy)  
Class Rep/Curriculum



Dear RSG Families,

I actually feel as though I should have addressed this to "RSG Family" because that is what this little message is all about—our RSG family. When I enrolled Parker at RSG, I had no doubt he'd have a wonderful preschool experience. But I didn't know that this experience would be so wonderful for his dad and I as well. We have been very touched by the "It Takes a Village" mentality and approach here at RSG. It has been demonstrated time and time again by everyone here through switching working days, helping with parent jobs and committees, giving hugs and praise to children...it's demonstrated every time we go above and beyond to make RSG the best experience possible for our children. Most recently though, many of you went out of your way to help my family by bringing us dinners while I recovered from back surgery. I can't tell you how touched and appreciative I am. Thank you so much for the meals but thank you most of all for the love and care that came with them.

Love,

Misty Pawlowski

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