

Irvine Community Nursery School
November General Meeting Agenda
Thursday, November 17th, 2016

President- Lindsey

Welcome/Meeting called to order 7:05pm

1st VP- Selena

Introduction of Round Table Topics: 3/20 minute sessions

1. Screen time
2. Sense of Entitlement
3. How to raise a happy child/confident child
4. Inexpensive family activities

BREAK

President- Lindsey

Upcoming Events/Important Reminders

1. Holiday Party at Turtle Rock Community Center, 12/3 from 10-12
2. 3 Day Holiday Boutique- Mark your calendars for 12/9.
 - Donations needed, will start collecting donations after Thanksgiving
 - immediate family & grandparents. limited to 10x gifts each
 - gift garage sale for little kids
3. Cookie Day at Ms. Donna's House- 2 Day 12/15 and 3 Day 12/16
 - drop kids off at ms. donna's house
 - details to come check child's folder
4. NO DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING
5. NO SCHOOL November 21st-25th for Thanksgiving Holiday
6. WINTER BREAK Starts December 19th and School Resumes January 3rd

Ways and Means- Wende

Julian Pie Fundraiser Success!

- 305x pies sold, of which 88x were donated
- raised for ICNS \$2054, \$800 of donations
- R. Marshall sold the most pies
- Eliana sold most donated pies 11x
- Graham & Savanna brought in the most money

Families Forward "Pie it Forward" delivery on 11/18 (Brooke)

- try to have children wear their ICNS shirts
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Farewell party for the Paynters (ICNS ALUMNI) at The Counter Burger on 12/6

- moving away to Texas, inviting their elementary school also
- if don't have flyer, use the email that Selena will send via email
- includes alcohol
- celebrity servers will be on site to serve mini shakes

Philanthropy- Brooke

Adopt a family for the Holidays with Families Forward

- each class will have 2 families
- contribute gift cards, presents
- donations to be collected by 12/15 and deliver on 12/16
- no need wrap presents

Work Days/Scheduling Update- Christine and Shirley

2 Day and 3 Day Update- How many days should you have worked to date?

Upcoming Cleaning- Yonna

Cleaners for 11/19 and 12/17

- 11/19 – melisa, salame, kevin m., tracy w. (tracy available to trade if anyone is interested)
- 12/17 – wende, michelle b., yuki noha, cindy w

Holiday Party Update- Colleen

Sign ups for all food items/ jobs needed

- will need people to help w/ setup & cleanup, please contact colleen if interested
- whatever food item, pls bring serving utensil. write your name on serving dish if you want it back. or look for it in ICNS cupboard

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Evite- Don't forget to reply with number of guests and children's ages

Holiday Party Raffle Update- Annwen and Anne-Marie

Donations Update and Deadline

- still taking items for raffle & silent auction
- selling raffle tickets prior to event (thurs. & fri. before)
 - o \$20 for arms length of tickets, \$30 for 2x arms' length
- silent auction: tickets for RAMS tickets, gift cards,
 - o need more girl items/feminine items
- will take items up until thurs/fri before party

Trikathon/March 2017 – Katie

- creating shirts for this year – being made currently
- \$10 child size/\$15 adult, please sign up so we can determine order quantity

MS. DONNA

- need volunteers for holiday boutique, help kids pick out gifts
- cups & coffee mugs overflowing in lost & found
- need 10x empty water bottles for tomorrow's school
- ms. armida's last day is 11/30 wed.
 - you can help your child write her a card, gift card etc.
- GOOD JOB DISCUSSION (cont'd)
 - good job; that's wonderful, hi 5, that's beautiful
 - start counting how many times a day you say
 - think of an alternative phrase to use, so can engage child in conversation
 - use Who What When Where & Why questions
 - create dialogue & create connection w/ your children
 - help children solve problems & resolve conflicts
 - children learn how to speak up & articulate their thoughts
 - to convey & receive messages ("I have a message")
 - model the behavior you want of them
 - keep practicing
 - children need a lot of support esp. 2-day class
 - get the 2 of them together: savanna you have a message for Chiara. if they don't speak up, say "then savanna, I'll give the message for you. then ask for Chiara to give a response"
 - be specific about what you want children to say & words to use
 - we understand their needs, we notice & respect them
 - honor their presence,
 - it will help you esp. when kids are older
 - after thanksgiving, 2-day class will go until 12pm
 - Parent surveys

approve Oct. minutes at Jan. mtg

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

INEXPENSIVE FAMILY ACTIVITIES

INDOOR

- legos at home
- 99 cents store
- Newport central library – story time
- palette station/tustin \$10 per art class (kids >5), no appointments necessary
- university library – story time in multiple languages
- advantage playground (except Mondays when water is turned off)
- Costco samples
- toddler time @ big air trampoline/laguna hills \$7 (only kids <5)
- we play loud
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OUTDOOR

- santa ana zoo
- metrolink/metrorail \$10 weekend pass
 - o zoomars
 - o riverside
 - o CA science museum
 - o griffith observatory
 - o santa monica
- the mission inn/riverside at Christmas time
 - o library w/ story time
- first tee golf lessons \$50 for 10x week session; ages 4 and up
 - o Jen (Rosie's mom) is volunteer coach, talk to her if interested
- victory park/district – new park
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ACTIVITIES AT BEACH

- look for animals
- find crabs in rock holes
- corona del mar – rock
- baby beach/dana point
- treasure island beach/laguna – less crowded
- balboa beach – sand mound adjacent

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VOLUNTEERING AS A FAMILY

- OC marathon foundation –
- orphanage/mexico
- senior center biweekly visits – rosie attends every other friday
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HAPPY CONFIDENT CHILD

- teaching them how to DIY
 - order their own food at restaurants
 - baking
- meditation – peaceful music & be still for 2 mins
 - lets your kids slow down
- in the car, discuss each activity
 - force them to always talk about something
 - prepare them for expected
 - voice any emotions
 - help them verbalize emotions

role play: pretend I'm ms tanya & they rehearse at home

teaching them to share – instead of saying share, ask them to learn to “take turns”

son: if he wants to talk to you, drop everything & listen

- validation: if you want to talk, I'm here to listen

when child asks a question WHY, we ask them “why do you think?”

when we have to say no, we affirm that we've heard them but explain why we say no

- try not to say no, turn it into a why question

use big words & talk to them as if they were adults

figure out what they're good at & let them be who they are

kids w/ fears

- acknowledge his feelings
- “you look like you're frustrated” & hug him until he feels better
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