

# Creative Learning Center

## June 2017

Please visit our website at [www.clcalamo.com](http://www.clcalamo.com).

### Dates to Remember

#### Wednesday, June 7

Last Day of School - regular schedule

#### Monday, June 19

Orientation for All New Summer Students - 9:15 to 10:30 am

#### Tuesday and Wednesday, June 20 and 21

1st Days Summer Session 1

#### Wednesday, August 30

Orientation for All New Students 2017-2018 School Year

#### Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1

First Days of 2017-2018 School Year

#### \* Wednesday, June 6, 2018

\* PLEASE NOTE: LAST DAY OF 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

### Best in the East Bay 2017



*chosen again as*

**BEST PRESCHOOL 2017**

*thanks to all of our supportive families!*

The winners will be announced in the June 18th newspapers of the Bay Area News Group.

### June Theme

Theme: School Memories

Math Focus: Review

Letters of the Week

May 30 - June 2

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June 5-7

Memories

## Summer Camp Spaces Still Available

### EXPLORERS

SESSION 1: June 20 - July 14

- Week 1 Hola Amigos - The Language of Friendship
- Week 2 Sound of Music
- Week 3 International Junior Chefs
- Week 4 The Deep Blue Sea

SESSION 2: July 17 - August 11

- Week 1 It's a Small World
- Week 2 Breads From Around the World
- Week 3 Woodworking Shop
- Week 4 It's a Bug's Life

### CURIOUS CAMPERS

SESSION 1: June 20 - July 14

- Week 1 Do You Want to be My Friend?
- Week 2 Secret Birthday Message
- Week 3 Walter the Baker
- Week 4 Mister Seahorse

SESSION 2: July 17 - August 11

- Week 1 Let's Paint a Rainbow
- Week 2 The Tiny Seed
- Week 3 What's For Lunch?
- Week 4 Mountain That Loved a Bird

## What's Happening?

It just doesn't seem possible that we are already bringing our current school year to a close. The year passed so quickly and we've truly enjoyed watching all of the children blossom. We're hoping to see many of our friends at this year's summer camps.

A heartfelt "thank you" to all the parents that participated in this year's program along with our weekly laundry helpers. Your participation helped our program enjoy a very successful year!

## Together Time Highlights



### Motor, Science and Music

- MOTOR time in May with Teacher Courtney was spent doing creative obstacle courses; learning how to do fun relay racing using tunnels, etc.; and, tying in all the movements we've worked on for the year, such as leaping, skipping, bouncing, twisting, turning, balancing, tip toeing, and many more!
- We ended our year of SCIENCE with Teacher Lynne mixing primary colors to make secondary colors; and, experimented with walking water, rainbow milk, oobleck, and liquids to solids!
- We had a lot of fun in MUSIC in May with Teacher Jan! Mother's Day was early in May and so we began with songs for her.
- "May There Always Be Sunshine" lyrics and movements are simple and easy to remember: May there always be sunshine, May there always be blue skies, May there always be Mama (and Papa), May there always be me.
- We shared a lovely book and song "In My Grandmother's Garden" written by Kit Eakle, a local bay area songwriter. His mother is an artist and illustrates the story with her art. The song tells the story of his niece's memory of spending time gathering flowers from the garden and painting them with her grandmother.
- "The Goldfish Song" is from Japan and includes hand motions that illustrate the words. Here is a mountain, here is a valley, in between them is a wide field of grain. Then a sweet potato, then a little bean. Look, look, now we have a goldfish too. This song is on my album "Sing-a-Song with Jan Volume 4 Around the World." Contact me if you are interested in getting any of my recordings. [jan.hersh@gmail.com](mailto:jan.hersh@gmail.com)
- Other songs for the month and end of the year are "What a Wonderful World" (with illustrated book), "This Land is Your Land" (also with book), "Baby Beluga", "She'll Be Comin' 'Round the Mountain," and "Miss Mary Mack". Red Grammer's "See me Beautiful" (from his album Bucket of Light was scooped up from Teacher Mary and added to the end of the school year songs along with his "Bucket of Light" song.



### Mary's Orange Tigers

The highlight of every May is the Tigers' Mother's Tea. This year, we held the afternoon tea on May 9th and the morning tea on May 11th. The Tigers...

- Baked Goodies
- Learned and performed 4 songs
- Drew portraits of Moms
- Had a memorable day with their Moms and friends!

### Chieko's Red Rock Stars

- Created amazing yarn art
- Worked on our end of year Alphabet Books
- Discovered the world of worms
- Observed chicks and learned about the life cycle of the chicken

### Susan's Yellow Bees

- Mixed and froze yummy ingredients to make yogurt treats
- Painted paper plate quails with q-tips
- Tasted various vegetables and voted for our favorite
- Turned our hand print into x-ray fish

### Linda's AM Blue Birds

- Learned some basic yoga postures after reading "you Are A Lion"
- Made bread dough "v" and "x" shapes and then baked and enjoyed eating them
- Examined an old quilt, discussed how it was sewn together, and glued together our own quilt sample
- Practiced scissor skills cutting out vases and gluing in violets

### Marie's Green Geckos

- Talked about things that are yummy and yucky
- Learned that "q" is never with out his best friend, the letter "u"
- Made the letter "v" using our fingers, hands, arms and legs
- Practiced playing a xylophone

### Lindi's AM Purple Pandas

- Practiced moving like animals in different yoga poses
- Created chemical reactions with baking soda and vinegar to make "fizzy" numbers
- Went on an expedition to find letter "x"
- Used team work to create a giant volcano

### Lindi's PM Red Apples

- Worked on creating Alphabet Books to review our letters
- Practiced yoga outside
- Made tasty letters out of bread sticks
- Created collages with zoo animals

### Lynne's PM Blue Birds

- Tasted watermelon
- Worked on scissor skills - lots of snipping!
- Made a wind sock
- Painted with yarn on yellow paper

### Marisha's PM Pandas

- Discussed and read "Yummy/Yucky"
- Sorted yellow items to make letter "y" collage
- Made a paper quilt
- Cut and painted paper volcanoes and created a volcano with sand and vinegar

### Marisha's Golden Stars

- Read "The Vegetable Garden" and discussed how to take care of a garden
- Traced and wrote our names
- Discussed and read "Yummy/Yucky"
- Taste tested all sorts of vegetables and announced which one we liked the best

## **It's My Birthday!**

### *June Birthdays - Let's Celebrate!*

Ashley, Ben, Brody, Ella,  
Evan L, Evie, Lukas, Matan,  
Miles J, Samantha P, Will

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