

The Marsh Messenger

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Kids Get Smarter all Summer Long when they Play the REAL Way!

What's happening?

- **"KID CRANE" COUNSELOR TIME:**

We're learning eight ways we are smart and how our smarts grow when we 'play the REAL way' (with REAL people and REAL things like toys, costumes, boxes, paint, pets, and more.

- **PE:** We now have recess from 7:30 to 7:55 each morning instead of Marsh in Motion. It is often chilly in the mornings so, please make sure your child has the proper clothes to be outside. Kindergarten PE classes will get a lesson on bike safety from Monte Vista Police Officers on the afternoon of May 16. Preschool and kindergarten PE are using the last weeks of school to play their favorite games, play with parachutes, and practice throwing, catching, and dribbling. We preparing kindergarten students for what first grade PE will be like and preschool students for kindergarten PE!

- **Music:**

Our last newsletter for the year! Can you believe it? It is May already. I want to thank all of you parents for the pleasure of having had your children in music. They are each special and unique little people and I have truly enjoyed our time together. May your summer ahead be filled with making lots of beautiful music and memories with your family.

Dear Families,

We have so much excitement in the air as the end of another school year approaches! Field trips and activities and the spring wind keep us on the move! We are sharing with kids that this summer they can continue growing their "smarts" (the eight multiple intelligences) when the "play the real way"—

1. **It gives the brain a break from overstimulating visuals and sounds (including advertising).**
2. **It helps your families reset priorities and connections.**
3. **It provides children time to explore other interests.**
4. **It helps children rediscover what real play is.**
5. **It supplies a reality check for potential addictions, which are increasing in both adults and kids.**

Thanks for limiting screens for more REAL play.

Stacey Plane, Marsh Director/Principal
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Two Early Release Days in May; Mark Your Calendars!

Scheduled district-wide events are being held on two afternoons this month, and students will be released early so that designated staff can attend.

Please mark your calendars and make arrangements to have children picked up at noon on the following days:

Students will be released at noon
on
Wednesday, May 2
and
Monday, May 21st.
We appreciate your flexibility!

Snapshots from Hat Day!

