

Orange Room Newsletter

CHALK Preschool Westwood

March 2019

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It's March and we are nearing the end of the school year, in just a few short months. From now until graduation we are kicking it up a notch with our lessons, by making them more challenging in preparation for Kindergarten! Letters of the week will now be blends of the week and words of the week will follow ending sound rules. This month, you will notice the ending sound we are focusing on is "-ay." Activities will be multi-step processes and will align with multiple Kindergarten-readiness goals.



For the first week of March, our activities will all revolve around different March holidays. A few of the holidays include Mardi Gras and St. Patrick's day. We'll learn about where these holidays originated from and the kid-friendly ways we celebrate them. Mardi Gras activities we'll teach us addition with beads and feeding alligators delicious letter sounds. For St. Patrick's day the children will add gold to the leprechaun's pot and make traditional Celtic harps using construction paper and pipe cleaners.

Whether you like warm weather or cold weather, weather is a part of life. We may not see a lot of it in sunny Southern California, but it's still important to learn about all the different types of weather we may or may not encounter throughout the year. Topics of discussion will include sun safety, what causes thunder and lightning and how to read a thermometer. We'll be making fog in a jar and using our fine motor skills to create cloud necklaces with cotton balls, plastic sewing needles and yarn.

From weather to wetlands we'll be trudging through the third week of March, exploring the habitat of animals such as platypus, geese and water dragons! Activities for this week will involve measuring the length of different shorebird's legs, building CVC (consonant, vowel, consonant) words by putting together the wings and body of bat and making swans using paper plates and white feathers.

Spring is such a beautiful time of year, why not celebrate it with a week full of activities? Children will build sentences by putting together the colors of a rainbow, read high frequency words in order to appropriately color the pictures and design and decorate a kite, which they will test out on the playground.

Join us as we *March* on into Spring with all of these fun and rewarding activities we can't wait to explore!

Letter & Blends/Word/Number of the Week

3/4: Xx/Say/34	3/18: Br/Play/36
3/11: Zz/Away/35	3/25: Cr/Gray/37

Reminders

Don't forget to sign your child **in** and **out** on the classroom clipboard (and write the time).

Star of the Week

3/4: Jingyuan

3/11: Maosen

3/18: Alex

3/25: Maisie

Birthdays

Lily 3/27

Rei 3/28

