

Dear Open Classroom Families,

We are very excited for all that will be happening in the next 7 weeks. STEM and math night is **tomorrow** here at Open Classroom. We invite you all to come on the evening of the 16th at 6:00 pm with your families and friends (great way to refer friends to the OC) and enjoy all the planned STEM and math activities.

The deadline to bring items for the silent auction has been extended to April 19. If you have an item, you can contact the Fundraising Committee here: ocfundraising2021@gmail.com, bring it to the school office, or submit it directly here:

<http://openclassroomschool.betterworld.org/donate-an-item>

Silent Auction Donations Information

Art Stroll is coming up on May 10: Art Stroll Information

Open Classroom Teaching/Learning Philosophy:

The Open Classroom is a community of learners. Students, parents, and teachers share the roles of teacher, learner, and leader. The diversity of backgrounds and experiences that students, parents, and teachers bring to the classroom enriches the entire Open Classroom community. Classrooms are not isolated from the learning community. Multi-age classrooms collaborate with each other. Collaboration between students, parents, teachers, and other community partners is an essential element of what makes the Open Classroom school unique and strong. Observing and asking questions are key elements of how students, parents, and teachers approach teaching and learning. Open-ended questions allow learners the opportunity to actively reflect on their learning or behavior, rather than passively receiving information. Students and parents are encouraged and taught to ask questions, make requests, and propose ideas for learning activities that interest them or that they wish for the whole class. Students and parents are encouraged to be active in their learning and are supported as they learn.

We will be having another Prospective Parent Night on May 2nd At 6:30 pm. The growth and addition of amazing new families at Open Classroom has been phenomenal! Please consider inviting any friends, neighbors, or family members who you feel would be great additions to the Open Classroom! Information to share: Prospective Parent Information Night Information

Upcoming Events:

Apr. 16 – S.T.E.M. and Math Night

Apr. 19 – Early Dismissal at 1:30

May 10 – Art Stroll, Early Dismissal at 1:30

May 27 – No School, Memorial Day

May 30 – Last Day of School and Early Dismissal at 1:30

Should you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, I am available to assist you. You can reach me through our main office phone number or via email. I also encourage you to regularly check our school website and Facebook for important updates and announcements.

Sincerely,

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