

Mt. View News

Curriculum:
Sea Life & Pond Life Sand &
Water, Shells
Colors: Purple & White
Shape: Seashell



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Presidents Notes

I would like to thank each member of our school board for their service this past year. The dedication of our members is amazing. I have truly enjoyed serving as President. I wish the best to the new Executive Board that will serve for the 2010-2011 school year.

Congratulations to:

Lisa Krona: Vice President

Juliet Duck: Co-Treasurer

Jodi Williams: Membership Chair

Desiree Bush: Publicity Chair

Robyn Sathoff: Health and Safety Chair

Christy Potter: 2's Class Rep

Carly Thompson: 3's Class Rep

Laura Sarver: 4's Class Rep

Ivy Abel: 5's Class Rep

I am looking forward to several upcoming events to finish off the year. We will be having a "pack-up and build" work party on May 22nd. This is the last opportunity to earn a work credit for your family. On May 26th we will be having the End-of-the-Year Picnic. This is a fun event for the whole family to come and enjoy.



*Thank you
Amy for all
that you have done
as our President this
year!*

*We wish you and
your family much
happiness in the
future.*

What's Happening in your Classrooms:

- 2S CLASS
BIKE DAY AT SCHOOL, FRIDAY MAY 14
- 3S CLASS
BIKE DAY, MONDAY MAY 17
- 4S CLASS
BIKE DAY, MONDAY MAY 17
- 5S CLASS
BIKE DAY, THURSDAY MAY 13
Fife Bus Barn, Thursday May 6
12:30-3:00

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Year End All School Picnic & the Bubble Man!!!

The Bubble Man is coming! Mark your calendars for our end of the year all-school picnic on Wednesday, May 26th at Edgemont Park in Edgewood. The board elected to hire the Bubble Man to provide en-

tertainment as a special extra finale to such a great school year. As in years past, this will be a potluck lunch from 11-1. Please look for more information and sign up sheets to be posted on the school doors soon. Any questions, please

contact Carly Thompson at cctrun@msn.com.



"ANY BOOK THAT HELPS A CHILD TO FORM A HABIT OF READING, TO MAKE READING ONE OF HIS DEEP AND CONTINUING NEEDS, IS GOOD FOR HIM."

MAYA ANGELOU

Last Day Field Trips:

All parents must attend

NO SIBLINGS!!!

Children and parents need to bring a sack lunch and a drink.

*** 3's Class**

Wednesday, May 19th

Last day picnic at Decoursey Park

10:00-12:00

Bring blankets to sit on the grass.

*** 4's Class**

Tuesday, May 18th

End of the year day at Dumas Bay 9:30-1:30

Remember to bring your buckets, etc. Extra clothing is good idea too!

*** 5's Class**

Thursday, May 20th

End of the year day Ferry ride & picnic at Pt. Defiance Park

9:30-1:30

5's Class Bus Barn Trip

May 6th

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Mrs. Eakin

I can hardly believe the end of the year is here. Where did the time go?

I am always sad to say goodbye to the children and parents leaving, and moving on to kindergarten. I'll miss you all! Please remember to come back and visit any time!

I feel so blessed to work with so many amazing children and their families. I learn something new every day from you all.

Thank you for each and everything you do to make our school such a fun place to teach!

Have a wonderful and relaxing summer vacation!

Love,

Mrs. Eakin

Mrs. Eakin's Thank You's

Teresa Bollmann thanks for two years of terrific newsletters

Amy Orm for the amazing job as our President! I will miss you and your family.

Rebecca Norman for the fantastic job as my substitute teacher all year. Hope to see Emma in the future!

Elizabeth Bender for setting up our Stortini's fundraiser. Wow we made 200 plus dollars!

All the families that fund raised to help support our school.

2009/2010 Board members. You are amazing! Thanks for a great year.

To the 2010/2011 Board members WELCOME!!

Sandy Manthou our Bates Coordinator Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!! See you next year!

Meaghan Blue, Lisa Roberts &

Cindy Kemmer for all their help during our 4's class planting party.

The King family for donating all the great smelling hand soap for our many little hands

Mrs. Howard for another great year sharing our classrooms. Have a nice summer off!

Each and every family that did their committee this year. You are all the reason why our school runs so smoothly.

All the parents for helping put our school away for the year.

Everyone that helped put together all the amazing new play yard equipment and deck.

ECEAP teacher Catherine Harp for writing the grant to fund our play yard projects.

ECEAP families and teacher's that helped us build everything.

Last but not least, Thank you to Amy Orm, Linda Howard, Sandra Westlund, Rebecca Norman & Laverne Manolovitz that taught the classes while I was gone due to the passing of my brother.

Thank you also to everyone for all the kind and caring hugs, cards and flowers.

I love you all!!!

Bike Day!!!

5's Class May 13th

3's & 4's Class May 17th

Bring your bikes, trikes, and helmets to school today.

We will be riding in a marked off area of the church parking

lot.

Lots of fun! Please bring any flowers from your yard you can spare. We will be decorating our bikes and helmets with these.

The entire day is outside. Please dress for the day!!!



Thank you Mrs. Eakin & Mrs. Howard for everything this year. We are the luckiest families to have the two special teachers we do.

We wish you both a relaxing summer break. Spent enjoying those bike rides (Mrs. Eakin), and that grandbaby (Mrs. Howard).

Although sometimes it's not mentioned, we truly adore and appreciate you both.



Mrs. Howard

2's Class Families,

As I begun to write my last article for the school year, it is hard for me to believe it is May 1st. It just seems like yesterday that I was meeting each of you at Orientation Night and the children at Meet the Teacher Day. As the old saying goes, time flies when you are having fun, and we had a lot of fun in the 2's class this year. Each of the children have grown in so many. They have all physically, emotionally, and socially grown. This group has been so much fun watching grow this year! They are such a social group, which is not always true for a 2/3 class. In the past few months I can't remember very many times that they are not play or working together. I have also seen the working parents becoming more comfortable working in the classroom and with the

whole co-op program. I am really excited that many of you from the 2's class will be serving on the board for next year. With just a few openings left in our older classes next fall, I feel it is going to be another great year here at Mt. View Co-op. The only area that we really need someone to step up to help out in is being our President. Please take the time to consider this.

Our last month in the classroom will be spent learning about sea life. This is a fun time as the children love to go fishing in the sensory table and to touch different sea shells. The color for the month is: Purple and White, the shape is Seashells. On May 14th it will be bike day at school. Please bring your child trike/bike and helmet to school. The last half hour of the day we will ride them in

the new blacktopped area outside our classrooms. Our last day of school is on May 21st. On Saturday, May 22nd, 9 to noon we will be packing up the school. I am excited to say that we will not pack up our belongings this year and move them to a storage until. Instead we will move everything over to the main room. Every family need one credit per child in set up, midyear cleaning or pack up. If you are also short on your parent credits this is a great way to get another one. We will also be working on some playground projects, so Dad's are needed too! The all school picnic is always so much fun, so I hope that everyone will be able to make it to it on Wednesday, May 26th at Edgemont Park.

"IF A CHILD LIVES WITH APPROVAL, HE LEARNS TO LIKE HIMSELF."

DOROTHY LAW NOLTE

Mrs. Howard's Thank You's

Thank you time:

Blake, Brooklyn, Kevin, Kody, Kiley, Lindy, Owen, Sawyer, Zachary, Wade, Will, and Zoey for making every Friday this year so much fun for me! I am going to miss you!

Parents in the 2's class for doing an awesome job of helping in the classroom, and for the great job of doing your committee jobs!

Amy Orm, it has been wonderful working with you this year. You took on being our school President over the summer, we are so grateful to you!

2009 - 2010 Board, you worked hard as a team and did a great

job!

Andrea Rumel, for doing a great job as class rep.

Sandy Manthou, I am so glad that you are our Bates Advisor, You do an awesome job!

Teresa Bollmann, you did an awesome job as our newsletter chair for the past two year. You were always patient with me when I was late getting an article to you.

Cindy Eakin, for all the little things that you do each Thursday to make it so easy for me to come into the classroom on Friday to teach. Thank you for all the big things that you do for the school throughout the year. Enjoy

a much deserved summer vacation!

Each of the children will always hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for letting me their first teacher! Have a safe and fun summer!

Mrs. Howard

2's Class

Important Dates

Friday, May 14 is Bike Day!
Bring your Trike or Bike and
helmet to ride, ride, ride!

Friday, May 21 is our last
day of school.

Have a great summer!



4's Class

Bike Day is Monday, May 17

Remember your bikes or
trikes, helmets, and flowers
to decorate with.

Our last day is Tuesday, May
18. We will be spending the
day at Dumas Bay 9:30-
1:30. Don't forget your buck-
ets and an extra set of
clothes just in case your little
one has so much fun!

Have a great summer break!
Enjoy Kindergarten for those
of you who are moving on to
big kid school!

3's Class

April was a very fun month
with a ton of things that went
on. We had a bunch of spe-
cial days that the kids really
enjoyed. Also the field trip
to Little farm was a blast, the
kids loved the pony
rides. Pet day was very
memorable, what a great
turnout. It was great to see
how excited the kids got.

May will also be exciting
with parent share on the 3rd

during classtime, remember if
you need a parent credit
you're not going to want to
miss this one. Also, please
remember to dress your child
in purple on the 5th, Noah's
special day is the 10th fol-
lowed with Poppy's special
day on the 12th. The last
week of school will be so
fun. Bike day is on the 17th,
please remember your child's
bike and helmet. Also, if you
have any yard flowers

please bring them to deco-
rate the bikes. The last day
of school is the 19th and this
will be held at Decoursey
Park from 10-12, please
bring a packed lunch for both
parent and child and if you
have any tablecloths to use
that would be greatly appre-
ciated. I can't believe how
fast the school year
went. Happy May!



5's Class

Hi 5's Class and Mountain View Families! I want to
start off by saying that I am so appreciative to
Mrs. Eakin, Mrs. Howard, Sandy, and all of the
parents with Mountain View Co-op preschool! This
has been the best education for Kira and Kenton
for the past three years! Thank you all for every
thing. Mt. View is truly the "best" preschool I could
only wish for. I will miss all of you!

As for the 5's Class. This month was a BLAST! The
kids loved the U-Fish field trip. They were amazed
by the whole process from seeing them start as an
egg, feeding them, catching them, and then getting
to watch them be cleaned. We have some good
fisher men/women in the future. If any one is want-
ing a fishing/camping trip let us know. My kids are
all about the wilderness! Our next activity was pet

day! This was fun to see all sorts of ani-
mals. Our class had a little of every thing
from a bird, a worm, a hamster, dogs, a
fish, and even a lion. Wow! What a vari-
ety!

This was a great month to say good buy
with all of the wonderful memories my
family and I share with Mountain View Co-
op. I can not say enough about what great
teachers we have! I have only the BEST
things to share about our school! Thank you
for every one making our time at this pre-
school memorable! I can't wait to come
back from Ukraine and see you all at the
picnic.

Mrs. Eakin, you are an inspiration to me!

Thank you for being such a great teacher/
woman! You are so caring, understanding,
and a outstanding teacher! My thoughts and
prayers go out to you and your family! I wish
you the best! Thank you for every thing this
past year! Our family will miss you deeply.

OUR FAMILY WISHES YOU ALL A GREAT
SUMMER AND HAPPY FUTURE!

Take Care,

Erica Kostenko

**please don't forget about play dates!! I
would love to keep in touch with you!

May Birthday's

Owen Bollmann

Mikalah Davis

Will Norton

Jillian Orm

Kenton Kostenko

Happy Birthday
to YOU!





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Health & Safety

I can't believe the year is over and summer is quickly approaching! I hope everyone has a safe and healthy summer. For my last article, I thought it might be helpful to remind ourselves about the importance of reading. The summer time can provide a great opportunity for "natural" learning to occur (e.g., reading signs at the zoo, watching nature at the park, or writing in the sand at the beach). Enjoy your time with your family and have fun!

Is Your Child Ready to Read?

Is your child interested in learning the names of letters? Does he look through books and magazines on his own? Does he like to "write" with a pencil or pen? Does he listen attentively during story time? If the answer is yes, he may be ready to learn some of the basics of reading. If not, he's like most preschoolers, and will take another year or two to develop the language skills, visual perception, and memory he needs to begin formal reading.

Although a few four-year-olds sincerely want to learn to read and will begin to recognize certain familiar words, there's no need to push your child to do so. Even if you succeed in giving him this head start, he may not maintain it once school begins. Most early readers lose their advantage over other children during the second or third grade, when the other students acquire the same basic skills.

The crucial factor that determines whether a student will do well or poorly in school is not how aggressively he was pushed early on, but rather his own enthusiasm for learning. This passion cannot be forced on a child by teaching him to read at age four. To the contrary, many so-called early learning programs interfere with the child's natural enthusiasm by forcing him to concentrate on tasks for which he's not yet ready.

What's the most successful approach to early learning? Let your child set his own pace and have fun at whatever he's doing. Don't drill him on letters, numbers, colors, shapes, or words. Instead, encourage his curiosity and tendencies to explore on his own. Read him books that he enjoys, but don't push him to learn the words. Provide him with educational experiences, but make sure they're also entertaining.

When your child is ready to learn letters and reading, there are plenty of valuable tools to help him—educational television programs, games, songs, and even some of the latest age-appropriate video games and DVDs. But don't expect them to do the job alone. You need to be involved, too. If he's watching an educational TV show, for example, sit with him and talk about the concepts and information being presented. If he's playing with a computer program, do it with him so you can make sure it's appropriate for his abilities. If the game is too frustrating for him, it may diminish some of his enthusiasm and defeat the whole purpose. Active learning in a warm, supportive environment is the key to success.

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Bates Coordinator

Dear Cooperative Preschool Families

It is amazing that another school year is rapidly flying by!

With such a busy month, I hope you will be able to make parent shares.

May 3rd 3's & 4's during class time

May 5th 5's during class time

May 14th 2's during class time

Soon some of you children will be taking on the new adventure of kindergarten. Kindergarten readiness will be one of the share topics. If you have more years ahead in preschool, you may want to participate in the shares topic of potty training. Summer is a perfect time to start this process. And all parents are challenged at times when Children push their limits. This can be a

trying part of growing up but limits are useful. They help children feel safe and let them know what we can and can't do. Learn how to set limits with love.

Thank you all for another wonderful school year. It has been my pleasure to work as your Bates Home and Family Life Instructor. Visiting in the classroom, attending board meetings, facilitating parent shares, leading and being a participant in parent education activities. And, most importantly, interacting with you on a one-on-one basis has greatly enriched my life both personally and professionally.

To those of you who are "graduating" from preschool, I would like to wish you well and thank you for all your contributions to the co-op. I would also be willing to predict that as you move on your

journey through parenthood, you will realize many times how helpful and enriching your days in co-op were. I would also like to encourage you to keep active in your child's education. It is one of the best investments you can make.

I would like to thank those of you who are continuing with the co-op. We have a wonderful end of the year to still experience, a summer to relax, and an amazing new school year to anticipate. I think everyone would agree we have such dynamic teachers! Teachers; you are the solid foundation to this great Coop. Thank you for all that you do!

Sandy Manthou,

Teacher Tuck-In

Hello Families!

Once a year, as a special "thank you" to the school, our teachers raffle off a special experience for your children: a nighttime story reading and bedtime tuck-in (one by Ms. Howard & one by Ms. Eakin). This beloved experience is done in your home by your child's teacher and is greatly looked forward to by all!

This year's Teacher Tuck-in Raffles will be handled slightly different than in years past. To purchase

tickets, place your ticket request along with a check for the correct amount in the tuition box (please make a notation on the memo portion of your check that it is for the raffle). We will mark your tickets, place them in the appropriate raffle bucket, and pull the winning names on May 7th. Tickets are \$1 each and all the money collected is given to the school as a gift from the teachers.

Simply advise us of how many tickets you need and what name to put on the tickets. We will call the winning families and e-mail all the school families to announce the winners. If you

have any questions, please call Heather at 253-922-5852.

This is such a fun experience for your children. I hope you all are looking forward to it!

Have a great day~

Heather Tague

Mt View Co-op Co-Treasurer

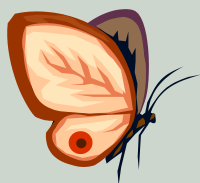
Hurry!!!!
You only have a few days left to buy your tickets!



May 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 Board Meeting 6:30 PM Parent Shares	4	5 Parent Shares 5 Class	6	7	8
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12	13	14 Parent Share 2 Class	15
16	17	18 4s Last Day No School 5s	19 3s Last Day No School 5s	20 Last Day 5s	21 Last Day 2s	22 Pack-up/ Work Party 9:30 AM
23	24	25	26 All School Picnic 11-1	27	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day					

Summer Birthdays



- Cormac Apple
- Shawn Bender
- Zachary Bush
- Zoey Green
- Blake Hanson
- Kiley Hentschell
- Leah Lewis
- Gabriella Pine
- Cameron Roberts
- Xander Shula
- Ethan Westlund

