



Monte Tavor Newsletter

A Spanish Immersion experience for children and their families

CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

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23rd Anniversary Celebration

On June 23rd, Monte Tavor families and faculty celebrated its 23rd Anniversary at the Lake Chabot Marina's Turtle Picnic Site. BBQ filled the air with hot dogs, carne asada, William's special Chicken Recipe, potatoes salad, fruit and green salads, popsicles and more. Families arrived and gathered under the shade of trees, grassy areas, by the creek, and at the picnic tables. The weather neared 90 degrees, but the several evergreen trees surrounding the site, made the experience a cool and relaxed one. Children ran across the green field, played with balls, and could not help themselves from getting wet, while looking for tadpoles at the creek. Families came in waves to say hello, eat, rest, enjoy the weather and to take mini stroll hikes, while looking for land turtles, often seen in the area. Many families met for the first time and others reacquainted themselves. A group of children, parents and providers also played volleyball.

Parent Conferences

Parents met to discuss their children's observational notes, checklists, assessments and questions they had previously sent in regard to their respective children. Together, we discussed measures to be taken in areas needing support, improvements achieved and went over the areas where children were notably advanced. Graduates ended their Core Curriculum observation and final checklists.

We will be conducting these conferences three times a year for the second year in a row and with more opportunities to schedule in person and phone conference times. We will offer: Conference calls with both parents, via Skype or Facetime. A new and updated schedule will be posted on our website, in an effort to accommodate times around midday, as opposed to solely mornings or afternoons.



[RSVP HERE for all events](#)

First Get-together Event **Thursday August 2, 2018** **Skyline Location Families** **5:00-5:30 PM**

Join us for a casual get together and get acquainted with everyone. We will be serving light snacks and refreshments.

First Get-together Event **Friday August 3, 2018** **Laguna Location Families** **5:00-5:45 PM**

Join us for a casual get together and get acquainted with everyone. We will be serving light snacks and refreshments.

Fall Science Fair Event

Join us for our fun Fall Science Fair Event
Skyline Location
Thursday September 13th 4:30-5:00 PM
Laguna Location
Friday September 14th 4:30-5:30 PM

Toddler Dance Event

The Monte Tavor's Toddler Show will be on **Saturday, September 22, 2018, at 10:00AM**. The location is the Leona Lodge in Oakland. Only children born between 3/14/2015-3/9/2016 will dance on this day.

Monte Tavor's 23rd Anniversary Picnic



Thank you for joining our celebration!!



We hope to see you next year!

Check out the Pictures

From time to time, view our web galleries for pictures from both sites. Check out the parents' app for group or individual pictures this upcoming week!! [Photo Gallery](#)

Preschool Dance Recital and Graduation for the Class of 2018!

Every year, Monte Tavor provider, Liz Howell choreographs our Annual Dance Performance Event for the graduating class to perform at their Graduation Ceremony followed right after the dance event.

On July 14th, graduates and their families gathered one last time as a class and in representation of our Monte Tavor community.

Children arrived excited to see the new venue at the Marian Zimmer Auditorium located at the Oakland Zoo.

Families waited patiently for the start of the performance, which included six dances with different rhythms and genres. For two consecutive years, these children had the opportunity to learn and come up with their own steps, style, and rhythm. Liz works step by step to help them create the moves and follow them, in preparation to perform in front of their parents.

Join her at the next Toddler Dance Event!



Songs performed:

I believe
Guantanamera
He Lives In You
The Lioness Hunt
Acapulco Rock
O Vida

By:

Yolanda Adams
O' Mara Portuonda
Mark M, Jay R, & Lebo M
Lebo M, Lion King Broadway
Tatiana
Carlinhos B & Nina D. F.

Congratulations!! Class of 2018!



Families took pictures with their proud Monte Tavor graduate. Congratulations to the families for making it through the end of this preschool journey. You are now an official Monte Tavor graduate!

What a beautiful token of appreciation from the class of 2018!



Laguna Oak tree, where the heart of Monte Tavor lives on



Gracias! Briseyda, Silvia, Liz and Ariana for making this possible!



Erica, Brian and Sebastian, thank you for the wonderful gift you helped put together for the class of 2018. The founder, Angela Howell, sends her most sincere appreciation for this wonderful piece of artwork you created. The details in the picture representing this wonderful tree located in our main playground, signifies to her and every member of the Howell family years of constant efforts, love, and many other meaningful feelings!



Muchas Gracias!! We will proudly display it for years to come in one of our main walls, in order for current and future families to enjoy. Your family and the class of 2018 will always be remembered!!

Important Announcements

Attendance

Signing your child in and out is a very important detail that every parent should continue to do upon arrival and upon leaving the premises.

Downloading the app on your phone, using the QR Code Key Card or using your Digit PIN Code are the three ways to sign your children in and out. Please contact us immediately if you are missing any of these three methods.

Children who are not properly signed in for the day and whose photo, video and note release have been signed will not be able to receive pictures, videos or messages during the day as the system will consider your child absent.

Make sure that the number of days your child attends is confirmed. (3, 4 or 5 days) An extra day charge will be applied on days not scheduled. Make sure your hours of attendance are within the agreed hours.
Example: 7-5, 7:30-5:30, 8-6 PM or our extended hours 7-6 PM (approval is required for an additional cost of \$40.00 per week). Late pick up for anyone arriving after their scheduled time has expired is \$3.00 per minute.

Wipes

Please remember to bring wipes according to the frequency you are assigned (once a month, every other month, or every 3 months). *One bag a month- infants and non-potty trained children. *One bag every other month-recently potty trained children and children under 4 years of age. *One bag every 3 months-children who have been potty trained, go to the potty on their own and children older than 4 years old. Wipes are essential, so please remember to bring them. Make sure to ship them with your child's name to 3516 Laguna Ave. Oakland, CA 94602. Thank you!

Immunization Records

In order for children to attend child care and preschool, they will need be immunized and up to date with their vaccines. Please bring us the most updated copy of your child's immunization records, every time your child receives a vaccination.

Monte Tavor's Days Closed

Summer Break CLOSED
Monday - Friday July 23-27, 2018

Labor Day CLOSED
Monday September 3

Teachers' Observations Day
CLOSED
Friday October 5

Columbus Day CLOSED
Monday October 8

Upcoming Events

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Infant Dance Event
March 2019

Contact

Best way to get in contact with Monte Tavor is by calling or texting (510) 967-2876.

Voice messages may not be listened to immediately.

E-mailing montetavor.comunications@gmail.com is another great way to get in contact with us during business hours.

Monte Tavor Preschool Laguna and Monte Tavor Skyline Site
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Recognition Awards



We would like to thank all individuals and organizations who nominated
Monte Tavor Preschool Programs to be the winner for the
2015, 2016, and 2017 Best Businesses of Oakland Award Preschools Category.
Monte Tavor is very proud of such merit to be granted. Thank you!!!