



### **Announcements:**

#### **Field Trips!**

Our Summer field trips are here! Dates are:

- Galaxy Room - Tuesday August 25
- Cloud Room - Wednesday August 26
- Rainbow Room - Thursday August 27
- Star Room - Friday August 28

### **Classroom News**

#### **Galaxy Room**

We Galaxy Rangers explored our wild side, making artwork with feathered birds, furry cats, glittering butterflies, and birdhouses. A huge thank you to Gina, Satyana's mom, for helping us create the birds and cats. You can see our artwork on display in the Galaxy Room.

We also focused on safety in July, practicing earthquake drills to make sure we know what to do if the ground starts shaking. If you ask us, we'll show you how we duck and cover. Thanks to Fey for teaching us this.

Three Galaxy Rangers celebrated their birthdays in July, Satyana, Lulu, and Jace. Happy Birthday, Rangers! We are looking forward to an exciting fall with lots more celebrations and learning.

July was also a month of change for us. The school was closed for the last week of the month, and many of us went on vacation or relaxed away from the school. A lot of us are getting ready for kindergarten and transitional kindergarten in the fall, so July was the last month that some of us would call ourselves Galaxy Rangers. Some Rangers will say good-bye in August, too.

The Galaxy Room will not be the same without us, but once a Galaxy Ranger, always a Galaxy Ranger! Wish Abby, Emma, Dominic, Nia, Sophia, Veronica, Gillian, and Ruby luck as we explore—to infinity and beyond!

Melissa, our room parent, asked us to express her thanks and deep appreciation to all the teachers, staff, parents, and kids for making the Daisy experience a very special one for Dominic, Isaiah, and our family. And an extra special thank you to Nikki, Lisbeth, Ms. Vo, and Ms. Kaye. Melissa says that the Daisy teachers have helped to provide the solid foundation for all that we will become.



### RAINBOW ROOM NEWS

This is a time for big changes, especially from a kids perspective. Suddenly, you are here instead of the Star Room - though this year the transitions have been pretty easy. Kids you played with all year are away a lot, and then they go off to kindergarten, and there are new kids to meet!

The veterans and the newbies are already asking "When is Halloween?" Is it too soon to start Halloween activities? It is not too early to start Fall activities. The changing of the seasons are always a good excuse for new projects. If Rainbow Room parents would like to come up with some Fall related activities, please bring them in! It will cover your monthly participation requirement. Also, please encourage your Rainbow Room kid to bring in books every day, it doesn't have to only be Fridays.

Our field trip to Tilden is on August 27, sign up and come along!

If you have any soft wood laying around, please bring it in for Carpentry. The kids are doing wonders with the hard wood, but soft wood is ideal.

Gloria left the Rainbow Room to go on to a job in the business world - which was her major - and we miss her! Fortunately Genesis is here and doing a wonderful job. Here is a message from her:

*My name is Genesis Prado. I am the new teacher's assistant in the Rainbow Room. I am a mother to a little 18 month old girl who also just started her journey at Daisy with me. This is important to share as my mentality working with these children is "Treat them as my own, treat them and teach them as I want my kid's teachers to treat and teach my baby." I have come to Daisy hoping to be helpful, caring, friendly and a role model to these kids who are already becoming my little buddies.*

Welcome, Genesis!



#### CLOUD ROOM NEWS

The kids of Cloud room have had a great summer so far. Outlets for creative expression have included elaborate clay, rice and glue art; water colors; an American flag made out of hand and footprints; and learning to cook a favorite: macaroni and cheese. Take a look at the new cubby



pictures. Cloud kids have been enjoying going on a walk every Friday.

Summer continues to be a time of transition. We said goodbye to Elena, Chaz, Blaze and Jack, who are moving on to kindergarten or TK, and welcomed new friends Griffin, Taylor and Naomi.

After bidding a fond farewell to Teacher Annie, we have welcomed new teacher Miss Kay (Khusbu Neupane) full time in Cloud room. Miss Kay brings the love and passion she has for young children to our classroom. In her "spare" time, she is pursuing her studies in sociology at the University of California at Davis, and is also part of numerous charity organizations that help build houses and provide education for the Nepalese community in under-privileged areas. Welcome, Miss Kay! We already feel we know you from your part-time work in Galaxy room.

Finally, a new wishlist is posted-- please check it out!



## STAR ROOM

We hope you enjoyed summer as much as we did! It was a busy time bustling with art projects, playtime and special guests. The kids enjoyed using their hands and feet to create the patriotic 4<sup>th</sup> of July mural in the room along with some very festive red-white-and blue streamers. We were introduced to letters using stamps, stickers and play dough and loved our neighborhood group walks where we continued to explore our environment!

There was ample playtime in the big yard and we also had some refreshing water play when the afternoons were hot (which is a great reminder to make sure you have sunscreen at the ready and ice packs in lunches as it looks like the heat is going to continue).

We even practiced an earthquake drill in order to learn how to be safe in an emergency!

A special thank you to Kelly for donating the big letters on the classroom walls. Also, a special thanks to Cara and Erika who coordinated a fun project where the kids made butterflies out of coffee filters and clothes pins.

July was also a time to say goodbye to Daphne as it was her last month in the Star room, but we also welcomed Jade to the group.

We hope that the staff at Daisy enjoyed their summer break and we all look forward to a fantastic and fun filled Fall!

