



TodayCare Times

May, 2022

A Newsletter for St. Joseph's Child Care Center

A MONTH TO CELEBRATE CULTURAL DIVERSITY!!

Up-Coming...

- **Cinco de Mayo & African World Heritage Day** - May 5th
- **Muffins for Moms** - May 9th
- **National Rescue Dog Day, National Endangered Species Day & World Bee Day** - May 20th
- **Arm Forces Day & World Day for Cultural Diversity** - May 21st
- **VPK graduation** - May 27th
- **Memorial Day** - May 30th

NOTE: The center **WILL BE CLOSED** on

This is a special month to celebrate cultural diversity, with **5 de Mayo, African Day Heritage Day** and **World Day for Cultural Diversity** celebrations.

Three-quarters of the world's major conflicts have a cultural dimension. Bridging the gap between cultures is **urgent and necessary** for peace, stability and development.

Cultural diversity is a driving force of development, not only with respect to economic growth, but also as a means of leading a more fulfilling intellectual, emotional, moral and spiritual life. This is captured in the culture conventions, which provide a solid basis for the promotion of cultural diversity.

Cultural diversity is thus an asset that is **indispensable** for poverty reduction and the achievement of sustainable development. At the same time, **acceptance** and **recognition of cultural diversity** – in particular through innovative use of media and Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) – are conducive to dialogue among civilizations and cultures, respect and mutual understanding, recognizing that they can contribute to, and are crucial enablers of, sustainable development.

These celebrations provide us with an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the values of cultural diversity and to advance **four important goals**: Support sustainable systems of governance for culture, Achieve a balanced flow of cultural goods and services and increase mobility of artists and cultural professionals, Integrate culture in sustainable development frameworks, and Promote human rights and fundamental freedoms.



The SJCC Parent Advisory Board meets on the third Friday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in our Teacher's Lounge

Parents,
Don't forget to keep two full changes of clothes in your child's cubby for those little emergencies. And please remember to include socks and extra underwear (for children who wear them), and to label all of the items. Also, please check often to make sure the extra clothes are weather appropriate, and that they still fit your child.

Remaining 2022 Meeting Dates:	
May 20	
June 17	
July 15	
August 19	
September 16	
October 21	
November 18	
December 16	

Please join us.



Teacher's Appreciation Week...

May 2 - 5, 2022

Monday - Please select a flower to write a special message to your child's teachers. The flower notes will be displayed on the staff's tree in the lobby.

Tuesday - Please bring a special breakfast treat for the teachers to share in the morning.

Wednesday - Please bring a flower for your child's teachers.

Thursday - Please bring a fruit or dessert treat for the teachers to share.

Friday - St. Joseph's Child Care Center will bring a packed lunch previously selected by its teachers.



Book Selections so you can read to your child EVERY DAY!!!

- "I Am Spring" by Rebecca McDonald.
- "Planting a Rainbow" by Louis Ehlert.
- "The Backyard Bug Book for Kids" by Lauren Davidson.
- "Our Diversity Make Us Stronger" by Elizabeth Cole.
- "Don't Let Them Disappear" by Chelsea Clinton.
- "It's Okay to Be Different" by Sharon Purtill.
- "Save the Ocean (Save the Earth)" by Bethany Stahl.

7 Fun May Day Crafts for Kids:

- [Wildflower Plantable Seed Paper](#) from Green Kid Crafts
- [Pipe Cleaner Flower](#) from the Resourceful Mama
- [Tissue Paper Flowers](#) from Playdough and Popsicles for Green Kid Crafts
- [Cork-Stamped Flower Craft with Corks and Buttons](#) from Happy Hooligans
- [Finger Painted Flowers and May Day Basket](#) from Things to Share and Remember
- [Paper Flower Craft](#) from Easy Peasy and Fun
- [Handprint Sunflowers](#) from Crafty Mama in ME!

JUST FOLLOW THE LINKS TO GET TO THE ACTIVITIES.

"You have to be unique and different, and shine in your own way"

Lady Gaga



VPK GRADUATION

Will be celebrated on May 27th at 10:00a.m., in the VPK classroom.

Due to Covid-19's protocol and space, only 2 family members will be able to come. **Masks and social distance are required.**



Muffins for Mom

We are sorry to inform you that due to Covid-19's protocol, this year we are not going to be able to invite the moms to have breakfast with their children. However, every classroom will have our traditional muffins to go for all moms.

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COOKING FLAN CUPS WITH YOUR CHILDREN:

Use a Jell-O flan mix (found at Wal-Mart) to make this recipe. Simply follow the directions on the box, and then pour the Jell-O into a muffin tin lined with tin foil cupcake liners. Set your flan in the refrigerator to cool and then place the mini-flans upside down on a plate- yum!

Happy Mother's Day!

*Of all the special joys in life,
The big ones and the small,
A mother's love and tenderness,
Is the greatest of them all!*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...!

STUDENTS

Kaden Sallam — May 7th

Mateo Duarte — May 18th

Judah Wallace — May 21st

Aliyah Vargas — May 23rd

