**Newsletter: Mar 6 - 10, 2023**

1. **Theme of the week**Letter Ss. Show & tell is on Friday. It is helpful to encourage your child to share something about the item he/she chose to bring. Help your child answer one of the 5WH questions - What, When, Who, Where, Why, or How.
2. **March Birthday**

**Sophie He, Isabella Tse, Zion Chew & Timothy Sharp** will be turning 4 years old. **Skyler Liang, Brayden Ng & Matthew Poon** will be turning 3 years old. **Kacie Li, Chase Lam, Evanne Lin & Crimson Wong** will be turning 2 years old. **Happy Birthday!! Ms. Samantha, Mr. Duane, Ms. Maria, Ms. Brenda, Ms. Carrie and Ms. Cynthia** celebrate their birthdays in March, too!  **Happy Birthday!**

We will only have one birthday celebration each month in the classroom. Each teacher will decide on a day and communicate with the families in his/her class. **Remember: NO goodie bags and only store bought treats in its original packaging.**

1. **Parent/Staff Work Day - Saturday, 3/11/2023 1pm-4pm**

If you signed up to volunteer on 3/11 work day, please arrive at 1pm at Rose Garden. Please bring your own work/garden gloves and gardening tools.

1. **Face Mask Lifted**Given we have not recorded any Covid cases since early February and that the flu season is coming to an end, we will be lifting the face mask requirement at our school on 3/13/2023. Wearing a face mask indoors and outdoors will be optional starting Monday, 3/13/2023. Please let your teacher know if you would like your child to continue wearing a face mask.
2. **School Picture Day**

You will receive a picture day backdrop selection in March. Please complete the form and return it back to TEACHER by Wednesday, 3/8/2023. This year, we will take group pictures outdoors.

1. **COVID Vaccine Booster**
We have interest in getting the Covid Booster at HOPE, but we don’t have the needed 50, so there will not be a booster drive on our campus. Please contact your pediatrician for the booster.
2. **Parents-Teacher Conference**
This year, we will resume in-person parent-teacher conferences. This is the opportunity to meet with your teacher to discuss your child’s learning progress. Please contact your teacher to sign up for a meeting time. Each slot is 15 mins.

**Date**:
3/6-8/2023 (Mon - Wed) - Alligators: Ms. Amy Wong
3/9-13/2023 (Thu - Fri, Mon) - Bears: Ms. Kristina
3/14-16/2023 (Tue - Thu) - Lemurs: Ms. Sarah
3/17-21/2023 (Fri, Mon-Tue) - Owls: Ms. Suki

1. **Field Trip**We have a reserved group visit to the Oakland Zoo on Friday, 4/14/2023. All parents who wish to join us can join us. Children will be transported by two large school buses with 3-point seatbelts. Parents will need to drive themselves there and meet us at the Zoo. We encourage parents to carpool as parking is $10 per car and space may be limited. Please use the link to get more details on the field trip and to sign up your children for the event.<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdsI6lRzIph_6dorkohpuACutEPkVAjnrJXNFM43Ow-BP7cNw/viewform?usp=sf_link>

If you are assigned to be a chaperone to take care of a child or children besides your own child, you will have 4 volunteer hours.

1. **Mark your calendars**(You can view the 2022-2023 calendar on our [website](https://www.hopedayschool.com/news) too)

### **2022-2023 School Year** (We will notify you ASAP when change is necessary)

3/11/2023 Saturday Parent/Staff Work Day (1:00 – 4:00 pm)

3/15/2023 Spring Picture Day for Bunnies, Colts, Dolphins

3/16/2023 Spring Picture for Ducklings, Penguins, & Owls

3/17/2023 Spring Picture for Alligators, Bears, Lemurs, & Siblings

 *\*\*\*Cap & gown pictures for kindergarten bound children*

3/24/2023 Staff In-Service (school closed)

3/26/2023 Family Day (Ducklings, Colts, Dolphins, Bunnies)

 Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm

4/6/2023 Easter Egg Hunt on Campus

4/7/2023 Good Friday (school closed)

**4/14/2023 Field Trip to Oakland Zoo (CONFIRMED)**

5/7/2023 Family Day (Owls, Bears, Penguins, Alligators, Lemurs)

 Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm (has been rescheduled from 5/21/2023)

5/12/2023 Mother’s Day Activity (9:30 – 11:00 am)

5/29/2023 Memorial Day (school closed)

6/10/2023 Saturday Parent/Staff Work Day (1:00 – 4:00 pm)

6/16/2023 Father’s Day Activity (9:30 – 11:00 am)

6/19/2023 Juneteenth Observed (school closed)

6/25/2023 Family Day (Ducklings, Colts, Dolphins, Bunnies)

 Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm

7/4/2023 Independence Day Observed (school closed)

7/24-28/2023 Preschool Promotion Program (10:30am – 11:30am)

Monday 7/24 Alligators

Tuesday 7/25 Owls

Wednesday 7/26 Penguins

Thursday 7/27 Bears

Friday 7/28 Lemurs

8/16 – 8/18/2023 School Cleaning Days/Staff Work Days (school closed)