

# NEWSLETTER



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## UPCOMING DATES

March

1st-10th- Thirty One Fundraiser  
15th-16th- Pajama Jam  
21st-22nd- Sign Language  
Workshop



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# thank you!!

thank you to alison flynn, amanda daigle, and the felzani family for cleaning the carpets over february vacation! they look awesome! we appreciate your hard work to keep our school clean and safe!

We are so excited to let you know that we've surpassed our \$10,000 Fundraising Goal!!

Thank you to all of our families who participated in our events, fundraisers, and to those who donated their time and efforts. Without you, this wouldn't have been possible!

We are finalizing the plan for the Creative Room and can't wait to share it with you!

- Aris Hatch, VP of Fundraising and The Board

Dear Parents and Families,

Believe it or not, spring has sprung! Despite the wintry temperatures, time is marching on and we are in the home stretch!

February started off with a bang with the First Annual Carnival!! What a great day we had! A big thank you to everyone who helped plan, implement and to those of you who attended the event! The Carnival was by far the biggest event we have had :) The children had a great time celebrating Valentine's Day!! There is nothing sweeter than watching our children exchanging their little notes and crafts.

March is looking to be a fun month here at school- Curious Creatures has come to visit and brought with them animals from all over the world, the children did an amazing job, watching and asking questions, being patient and kind when it was their turn to pat or touch the animals.

March 15 and 16 we will have a Pajama Jam!! Your child can come to school in his/her pj's and we will have a special snack.

On March 21 and 22 we will also have Jillian coming back to work on some more sign language with the kids!!

Registration is well under way and I am happy to say that I have been very busy touring families around our school! Thank you all for your recommendations!

Suzanne



**Touch-A-Truck**

The Co-Op will be hosting a Touch-A-Truck event for the students in April during the school day. If you or anyone you know has a vehicle or piece of equipment for the children to explore, please let

Jill Lemasurier know! This is such an exciting and special event for the kids!



# Car Seat Safety



Here are a few quick tips to remember when using car seats:

- Make sure your child is in the correct car seat. Your child should be in a tethered car seat with a harness until they reach the weight limit or the top height limit
- Harness clips should be aligned with your child's armpits. Straps should be tight.
- Infants should be rear facing until 2 years of age.
- Children should not wear bulky coats while harnessed. Try a sweatshirt, fleece, or a thin coat underneath. You can use a blanket over the harness for extra warmth on those chilly days! Just remember to keep the harness straps as close to your child's body as possible!
- If you are unsure if your car seat is installed properly, contact an expert! You can call the Police or Fire Station for guidance as well!
- Ensure that your child is in the right car seat based on height and weight.
- Keep your children in the back seat until the age of 12!
- If you are in a car accident, replace your car seats! The safety of the car seat can become compromised.
- Never wash the harness straps. If they become dirty, spot clean them. They are protected with a fire resistant coating and washing them could lessen the effectiveness.
- Never use a car seat from someone you do not trust or know. It's better to know the "history" of the car seat than have something happen to your child.

For more information and other tips, please check out [SafeCar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov)  
<http://www.safercar.gov/parents/CarSeats/Car-Seat-Safety.htm>

## Are you an Amazon shopper?

**Please don't forget to use our link, [www.centralcoopshop.com](http://www.centralcoopshop.com)  
Each purchase made, the Co-Op gets a percentage back at no cost to you!!  
Help raise money for the Co-Op by using and sharing this link!**

# Crafts and Recipes

## Rainbow Chain



Construction Paper  
Scissors  
Gold Glitter

Glue  
Stapler  
Tape

Start by cutting red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple strips of paper.

Roll them into circles and staple them together to make rainbow chain links.

Cut out a black pot, a handle, and yellow circles for the gold.

Glue the yellow circles together and glue it to the top of the black pot. Tape one side of the handle to the back of the pot and loop it through the purple one, taping it on the other side. If you don't want the tape to show you could use glue or paste another black pot on the back.

After that, put some glue on the yellow circles and sprinkled gold glitter.



## Rice Krispy Shamrock Treats

3 tablespoons butter  
4 cups large marshmallows (about 40)  
6 cups Rice Krispies Cereal  
6 ounces white melting chocolate  
Green Sprinkles

In a large saucepan, melt butter. Add marshmallows. Cook and stir over low heat until melted.

Remove from the heat and stir in Rice Krispies. Mix well.

With buttered hands, press mixture into a greased foil-lined 13-inch x 9 inch x 2 inch pan. Cool completely on a wire rack.

Turn onto a cutting board and remove foil. Cut with a shamrock cookie cutter. Re-shape shamrock stem if needed.

In microwave, melt chocolate and spread on shamrocks. Decorate with sprinkles.

