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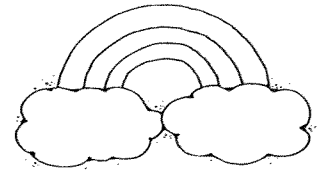
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Jikoen Hongwanji

Lumbini Preschool

## APRIL 2024

Dear Parent(s)

**Aloha and Happy Buddha Day!**

Time passes quickly, and the Jikoen Lumbini Preschool Graduation Ceremony will be held in May. Our graduates are to graduate and enter elementary schools after the summer vacation! Some of the students came to our school when they were two years old, and I have a lot of good and fun memories they have.

I appreciate our school director, Mrs. Suzie Nishiyama, for her hard work and compassionate care. I also thank all teachers, staff, and parents for their dedication and hard work in sustaining our Lumbini Preschool throughout the school year. As you know, Jikoen Lumbini Preschool was founded in 1964 to provide daycare service in these Kalihi communities in the spirit of Jikoen, "the Garden where the Light of Buddha's Compassion." This year, 2024, marks "60th Anniversary" since Jikoen Lumbini Preschool was established. We are grateful that Jikoen has provided daycare services to everyone in Kalihi for almost 60 years!

Our community has many challenges, such as issues of economy, social concerns, violence, mental illness, DV, and guilt. However, if we understand each other, sustain each other, care for each other, forgive each other, and love each other, we can change our lives better and make a difference to be happy, Ohana!

I hope all graduates fulfill their Buddha Nature to become the most unique and precious person by embracing Buddha Dharma! Please continue to be safe and take care of yourself and your family. Thank you very much!

Reverend Shindo Nishiyama, principal

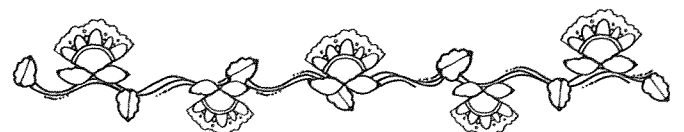


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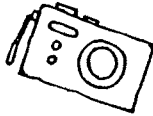


# Big Mahalo !

Thank you very much for your  
Donations !

Kensley & Kingston Hill and family

## SPRING PICTURE TAKING



Spring is just around the corner, and so is Graduation Day! This year, we will be having our Spring/Graduation Picture Taking with Expressions, scheduled for April 5, 2024.

All students from Panda Bear class will be scheduled to take their Graduation Pictures, unless otherwise requested. For all other students in our Honey Bee Class and Curious Kitten Class, we welcome you to have their Spring Pictures taken!

With Expressions, your digital images will be easily accessible online with same-day proof and memorable keepsakes for additional purchase.

As we get closer to Spring/Graduation Picture Taking Day, we will be releasing consent forms for you to fill out.

If you have any questions, please contact our school office at (808) 845-7720 or email us at [lumbinipreschool@yahoo.com](mailto:lumbinipreschool@yahoo.com).

Mahalo!



Excursion to  
"Chuck-E-Cheeses"  
(Kalihi-Dillingham)

**Thursday, April 11, 2024**

Bus will leave at 8:30am, come back at 11:30am. We will have lunch at Chuck-E-Cheeses. Chaperones are welcome to join us at no cost. However, you are responsible for purchasing your own lunch.

**Chaperones : No food or water on the bus. Please watch your assigned children.**



## School is closed

\* **Friday, April 12, 2024**

**Hanamatsuri Day**

**(In honor of Baby Buddha's Birthday)**



## 2024 Jikoen BAZAAR

**Saturday, April 13**

**from 8:30 a.m. to Noon.**

In addition to an array of donated items, we will be selling maki sushi, takuan, andagi and baked goods.

- Additional parking will be available at Kapalama Elementary School.
- We welcome the following donations: gently used clothing, linen, kitchenware, crafts, handbags, plants, flowers, fruits, and vegetables.
- Beginning March 18th, you may drop off items at the Social Hall between 8:30 am. to noon on weekdays (Monday-Friday).

**Jikoen office (808) 845-3422**

## UP COMING EVENTS!

**May Day Program and**

**Lumbini Preschool**

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

**Friday, May 3, 2024 at 9:00 AM.**

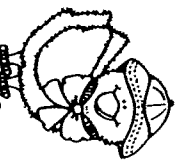
*School will be closing  
at 11:30 AM (Half-Day).*



## Lumbini Preschool Lunch Menu for April 2024



Monday, April 1	Cheese Macaroni With Ham Corn, Sliced Orange 1% Milk	Tuesday, April 2	Chicken Egg Hapa Rice Bowl Broccoli, Sliced Apples 1% Milk	Wednesday, April 3	Mini Corn Dog Potato Tart Sliced Orange 1% Milk	Thursday, April 4	Saimin with Ham and corn Mini Hapa Rice Musubi Mixed Fruits 1% Milk	Friday, April 5	Chicken Teriyaki Hapa Rice Corn, Sliced Orange 1% Milk
Monday, April 8	Curry stew Hapa Rice Sliced Apples 1% Milk	Tuesday, April 9	Pizza French fries Sliced Orange 1% Milk	Wednesday, April 10	Chicken Nuggets Hapa Rice, Broccoli Sliced Apples 1% Milk	Thursday, April 11	<b>Field Trip Lunch at Chuck-E-Cheese</b>	Friday, April 12	<b>MAMAMATSURI DAY School is closed</b>
Monday, April 15	Teri Meat Balls Hapa Rice, Broccoli Sliced Orange, 1% Milk	Tuesday, April 16	Udon soup with Egg Shoyu Chicken Mixed Vegetable Sliced Apples, 1% Milk	Wednesday, April 17	Turkey and Mixed Vegetable Fried Rice Tofu Miso soup Grapes, 1% Milk	Thursday, April 18	Chicken Long Rice Hapa Rice Sliced Apples 1% Milk	Friday, April 19	Shoyu Hot Dog Cucumber Hapa Rice Sliced Orange, 1% Milk
Monday, April 22	Meat Sauce Macaroni Mixed Vegetable Sliced Orange 1% Milk	Tuesday, April 23	Chicken Noodle Soup with Carrot and Onion Hapa Rice Sliced Orange, 1% Milk	Wednesday, April 24	Scrambled Egg with Links Corn, Hapa Rice Sliced Apples 1% Milk	Thursday, April 25	Fried Noodle with Ham Mini Hapa Rice Musubi Honeydew 1% Milk	Friday, April 26	Chicken Nuggets Hapa Rice, Broccoli Sliced Apples 1% Milk
Monday, April 29	Meat Sauce Spaghetti Mixed Vegetable Sliced Orange 1% Milk	Tuesday, April 30	Hot Dog Vegetable chips Mixed Fruits 1% Milk	<p>★ We will provide morning &amp; afternoon snack. <b>Morning:</b> Cheese or Nutra sandwich, or Cereal with 1% Milk. <b>Afternoon:</b> Cookies, Cracker, Gold Fish or Granola Bar with 100% Juice.</p> <p>★ Checked and monitored School Food Manager at Fern Elementary School.</p>					



- Menu Subject to change without notice.
- Mixed Fruits contain with mixed fresh, or fruit canned in natural juices.
- Sandwich Bread is Whole Wheat bread.
- **Hapa Rice** ; Mixed Rice with Brown Rice and White Rice. Fried Rice is using Enriched White and Brown Calrose Rice.
- There are minimum amounts. Children are able to have more, if desired.



## Honey Bee Class April 2024 Newsletter

Aloha Honey Bees Families! Thank you so much to all the families who shared their pets with our class during our Family Pet Show and Tell. Thank you also for your continuous support and cooperation with our school activities/celebrations.

We are so happy to welcome Kyle Hayashi to our class.

We will start learning the letters Vv, Ww, and Xx this month. We will also learn about and discuss Bugs and Insects, Growing Seeds and Flowers, and Earth Day.

In connection with Earth Day and Growing Seeds and Flowers, we will have a planting activity on Thursday, April 18. Please bring a pot for your child. Thank you.

Ms. Adela, Ms. Vangie, Ms. Keiko & Ms. Ami



# Welcome

Kyle Hayashi

4/1 Giana Shima

## April Topics



## Dates to Remember:

- |             |   |
|-------------|---|
| 4/5 (Fri.)  | Picture Taking                                    |
| 4/11 (Thu.) | Chuck E Cheese Excursion                          |
| 4/12 (Fri.) | NO SCHOOL (Hanamatsuri)<br>Baby Buddha's Birthday |

## Save the Dates!

### May Day Program & 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Friday, May 3 9:00 (School closes at 11:30)

### Graduation Program

Friday, May 24

(No school for Kittens and Bees)

## Topics of April

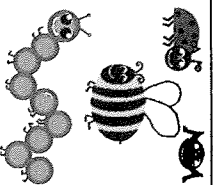
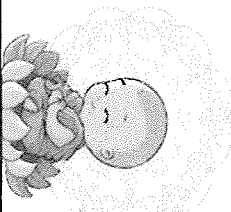
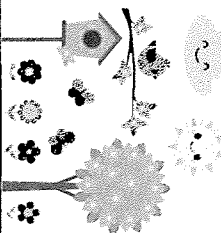
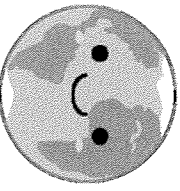

- Bugs and Insects
- Growing seeds and flowers
- Earth Day
- Letters V, W, X and Review

# APRIL

# 2024

Honey Bees  
Class

Ms. Adela  
Ms. Vangie  
Ms. Keiko  
Ms. Ami

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	2	3	4	5	
Discuss: Bugs and Insects					
"Busy Bees"	"Lovely Ladybug"	"Itsy Bitsy Spider"	"Percival the Plain Little Caterpillar"	Picture Taking "Butterflies"	
8	9	10	11	12	
Introduce Letter Vv	Tell us the pictures you see that start with Letter Vv	Review: Bugs and Insects	Field Trip Chuck E Cheese	Hanamatsuri Day <b>School is Closed</b>	
15	16	17	18	19	
Introduce Letter Ww	Tell us the pictures you see that start with Letter Ww	Three Main Parts of a Seed "Big Red Apple"	Planting activity "A Tree Grows Up"	Parts of a Flower "In the Garden"	
22	23	24	25	26	
Discuss: Earth Day					
"The Earth and I"	"The World Is a Gift to You"	"You Are a Gift to the World"	Introduce Letter Xx	Tell us the pictures you see that start with Letter Xx	
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					
29	30	1	2	3	
Review: Three Main Parts of a Seed	Review: Parts of a Flower			May Day Program	
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					



## Curious Kittens Class April 2024 Newsletter

Hello Kitten Families!

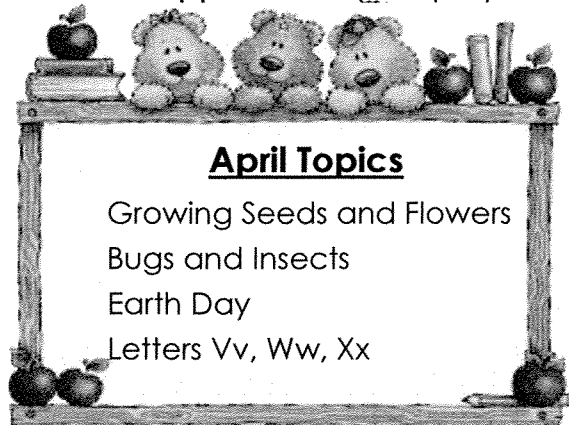
March was an amazing month for us! A BIG MAHALO to Tadashi's mom, Dr. Satoko Nishimura who gave such a warm and informative talk to our preschoolers on what she does at her job as a veterinarian. The children speak about her visit often and loved meeting her life sized stuffed dog Daisy. I'm sure they are all knowledgeable on how to be great pet owners!

Following her visit we had our Pet Study and "classroom pets" got to spend an evening visiting all of the children's homes. The children were so excited to host the pets and to come back and share the fun activities they did with their pet. We had pets at soccer games, pets eating crackers, pets in Duplo habitats and many pets snuggling in bed with their caretakers. Thank you for participating in our Pet Study! We will be putting the pages together in a classroom book!

Thank you also for participating in our Dr. Seuss Spirit Week! Everyone was so festive and they enjoyed becoming acquainted with books by Dr. Seuss. They learned the word "wacky" and will often exclaim, 'That's WACKY!' when seeing something unusual or unexpected.

Easter is another anticipated occasion for the children and although they are excited some are still confused as to whether eggs come from chickens or rabbits! Ha ha!

Thank you ,  
Ms. Cori, Ms. Letty & Ms. Yukiko



### April Topics

Growing Seeds and Flowers  
Bugs and Insects  
Earth Day  
Letters Vv, Ww, Xx

### Dates to Remember:

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Baby Buddha's Birthday

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### Happy Birthday!

**Bessie 4/3**  
**Amber 4/24**

### Springtime

I see rain clouds.	Everything is
I see birds' nests,	growing.
Butterflies, too!	The wind is gently
Flowers, too!	blowing.
	Spring is here!
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Topics of April

- Bugs and Insects
- Growing seeds and flowers
- Earth Day
- Letters V, W, X and Review

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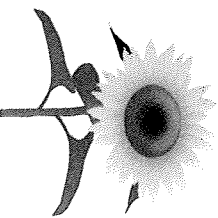
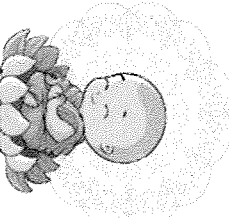

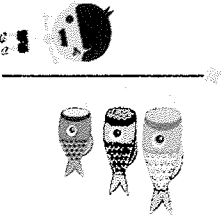
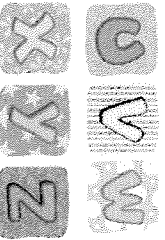
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Curious Kittens  
Class

Ms. Cori  
Ms. Letty  
Ms. Yukiko

Sand Box

Bike Day

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1 Introduce Letter Vv and its sound	2 Identify pictures/ sounds that begin with Vv	3 Review Letter Vv	4 Lei po'o craft activity & Paint paper plate sunflower	5 Picture Taking Introduce Letter Ww and its sound	
8 Identify pictures/ sounds that begin with Ww	9 Review Letter Ww	10 Read "The Tiny Seed" by Eric Carle - Label flower parts/glue sunflower seeds	11 Field Trip Chuck E Cheese	12 Hanamatsuri Day School is Closed	
15 Create a flower (cutting activity)	16 Discuss life cycle of a plant & what plants need	17 Plant a seed and observe	18 Introduce Letter Xx and its sound	19 Identify pictures/ sounds that begin with Xx	
22 Earth Day: Observational drawings(flowers)	23 Beading a caterpillar	24 Art activities: -Ladybug -Build a bug	25 Boys Day Koi Craft	26 Boys Day Koi Craft	
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					
29 Review VWX	30 Review VWX	1 Practice Name Writing	2 Practice Number Writing	3 May Day Program	
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					



## Panda Newsletter

April 2024

Aloha Families!! We are already in April and there is still so much to learn in our class.

It was great to see the Panda Bears Class getting familiar with the different animal habitats! We got to understand how animals survive in their own habitats such as mountain, savanna, and polar habitats. We were really happy to see them design and paint their habitats for their animals.

We enjoyed the Panda Bear girls as they shared their interests and toys with the class. Also thank you everyone who shared about their pets or favorite pet.

Dr. Seuss week was so much fun! We appreciate everyone's participation dressing up throughout the week! We got to express ourselves and learned that it's okay to be different. We are all unique in our own way!

We had a good time learning about a veterinarian's job and the different kinds of animals they care for. Thank you to Dr. Nishimura, Tadashi's mom from the Curious Kittens for sharing about how she helps animals.

The children were excited about all the Easter festivities. They were able to color and hunt their eggs. The children were given a challenge to find their eggs labeled with simple words like cat, mat, van, etc. Part of their learning was identifying the letter sounds of a letter that make a word.

Mahalo for sharing the Easter goodies!

Ms. Kat, Ms. Emi & Ms. Che



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### Happy Birthday!

**Kingston Hill 4/4**  
**Peyton Alcotas 4/12**



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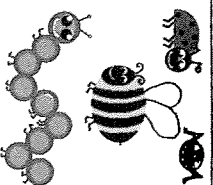
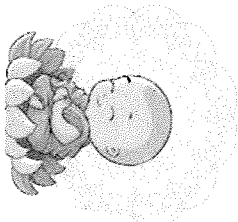
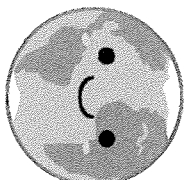
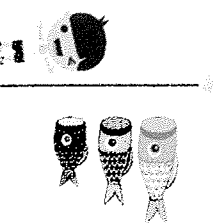
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Panda Bears

Class

Ms. Kat  
Ms. Emi  
Ms. Che

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1 Bubble Letter Vv Review Positional Space	2 Exploring about Bugs and Insects	3 Trace Letter Vv Review 3D Shapes	4 Review Letter Sounds	5 Picture Taking Review Rhyme Words	
8 Bubble Letter Ww Review Numbers	9 Trace Letter Ww Planting Seeds Review counting objects	10 What Plants need in order to Grow	11 Field Trip Chuck e Cheese	12 Hanamatsuri Day <b>School is Closed</b>	
15 Bubble Letter Xx	16 Taking Care the Earth Review Measurement	17 Classify objects Review Simple Word reading	18 Review Patterns Read Simple Words	19 Earth Day What a Wonderful World	
22 Review Letter V, W, X	23 Review Sequence and Retell a Story	24 Review Being a Problem-Solver	25 Review Uppercase & Lowercase	26 Review Making Predictions	Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					
29 Bubble Letter Yy Kick	30 Trace Letter Yy	1 Review Opposites	2 Happy Boy's Day	3 May Day Program	
May Day Program practice at Social Hall					