



ROOTS AND BRANCHES December 2011



The beautiful weather keeps the children bundled up on the playground, but doesn't stop them from enjoying each moment in the sunshine! We have been so lucky to have this beautiful weather! I'm sure you are aware that the holidays can become quite hectic at times, so remembering to keep things simple and continuing to stick to the "routines" of stories and bedtime can truly help the little ones remain healthy and happy.



Holiday Sing-a-Long!

One part of the season that the teachers at Live Oak truly enjoy is the family sing-a-long we have each year! On Tuesday, Dec. 20th and Wednesday, Dec. 21st, we will have our annual sing-a-long with Star Tom in each of the classes and, of course, our delicious snacks! We have been practicing the songs with the children at circle time. The children love having their families join us for the sing-a-long to join in our fun! So please join us on Dec. 20th for the Tuesday/Thursday classes at 10:30 for the a.m. and 3:00 for the p.m. class. The Monday/Wednesday/Friday classes will have their party on Wednesday, Dec. 21st at the same respective times. Everyone is welcome! Please be ready to join in on the floor at circle time for this fun event! Moms and dads, please join us if you can!!

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Parents - Kindergarten confusion/stress? ☺

I just wanted to check in with all of the parents of children heading off to kindergarten next year and be sure you are all settled with your choice of school for your child. If you feel confused or just have a few questions or concerns, PLEASE so not hesitate to email me so that we can meet for a few minutes. I am more than happy to offer any advice I can and hopefully point you in the right direction for your child. I know at times it might feel like you are making a decision as big as college - sorry to say I remember it felt that way and then I was at the point of real college - it did feel the same! We always want the best for our children no matter how old they are. Hang in there and know that we are fortunate to have many wonderful schools in Sonoma County to choose from! Please feel free to stop by and chat with me or let me know if you want to set up an appt - we are all here to help and hopefully make this decision easier for you.

Short class day on Thursday, Dec. 15th

Each year the Board of Directors gives an annual holiday lunch to the teachers and staff of Live Oak. This year we will be going out on Thursday, December 15th. I will appreciate it if you could please pick up your children from the morning class at 11:00, and do not drop off your children for the afternoon class until 1:30. This short time change will be greatly appreciated as it will allow the teachers to truly enjoy their lunch without having to rush out the door before sometimes even having time for that yummy dessert! Thank you so much for your understanding!



Dates to Remember

December 15th (Thursday)	Short class day for teacher lunch. Morning class ends 11:00, and afternoon class begins 1:30. Thank you!!
December 20th (Tuesday)	Sing-a-long for Tues/Thurs classes (10:30 and 3:00)
December 21st (Wednesday)	Sing-a-long for Mon/Wed/Fri classes (10:30 and 3:00)
December 22nd - Jan. 6th	Winter Break (Classes resume on Monday, January 9 th)
March 9 th (Friday)	Live Oak Dinner Dance Auction! Get those babysitters now! 😊

The Live Oak teachers and staff wish you a very warm and wonderful holiday season with your family!

♥ Anese

