



Notes from Nakayoshi Preschool

More than a month has passed since our entrance and promotion ceremony. Nakayoshi children seem to get used to their new classes. New children who cried when they separated from their moms or dads now sing songs, listen to stories of books and picture-story shows, and play outside.

Please help us by remembering the following information in order for the children to have healthy and safe preschool life.

- Please make sure you drive slowly when you are in the preschool parking lot. In addition, please hold your child's hand in the parking lot. Please move your car immediately after you drop off or pick up your child.
- While you take your child into the preschool or pick your child up, do not leave siblings (including babies) in the car in the parking lot. This is a violation of the California Vehicle Code.
- Please sign In/Out your child each day (Saturday classes: every week). It is a state licensing requirement that each child be signed in at drop-off time and signed out at pick-up time on a daily basis.
- When your child is sick (fever, diarrhea, vomiting, hacking cough, and other symptoms), please have them stay at home until they fully recover.

As you know, Japanese language classes are held at the Gardena Buddhist Church daily and weekly. Many of the students who graduated from Nakayoshi preschool last June are now studying

Japanese here. I am so happy to see them, as well as the elementary, middle, and high school students who have previously graduated from our preschool. Also I am moved by them trying their best. I hope your child cherishes Japanese language, culture, and customs forever.

The Nakayoshi teachers and staff look forward to supporting your child's growth. Thank you.

Director Keiko Damiata

Daily Teachers

Penguin class	Naomi Inoue (Master), Kae Miyoshi, Risa Arvan (including Risu class)
Risu class	Ryoko Nakawake (Master), Naoko Saito, Michiyo Mejia (including Penguin class)
Banana class	Tomoko Nakagawa (Master), Hisako Takamura
Melon class	Toshie Kimoto (Master), Shiho Iwagoe
Bara class	Emiko Hasegawa (Master)
Sumire class	Yuka Nayuki (Master), Kazue Higa

Afternoon Teachers

Yoko Hersch & Ryu Wanibuchi



Saturday Teachers

Sakura & Kiku classes Miyoko Nishiya (Master)
Yoko Hersch

New Teacher

Ms. Kazue Higa joined our school in this September. We are happy to have her. She is an assistant teacher of the Sumire class and afternoon classes on Monday.

Messages from teachers



Daily Classes

2-year-old classes

It sounded like a big chorus of cries after the children had to say good-bye to their moms or dads at drop-off time at the first week of September; however, the following week, those children started to play soon with a smiley face although they cried at drop-off time. They also made new friends. Now they sing songs, memorize various greetings, and say them properly.

3-year-old classes

A month has passed since a new school year started. Even some children who were at Nakayoshi preschool at last school year cried because of a new class, new teachers, and new friends; therefore, we were concerned about it every day in September. However, they seem to get used to school now and they do not cry any more. We see them find their favorite toys and play with a smiley face. Through this new school year, we would like them to enjoy playing with many friends, too.

4-year-old classes

A new school year has started. Our children seem to be happy when they see their new name tags because they know that it means that they are in the oldest class. They are reliable because they earnestly work hard when practicing hiragana letters and numbers by realizing themselves that "We are in the oldest class." We will dedicate to prepare for kindergarten and nurture each child to feel that "I enjoyed being at school today".

Saturday Classes (3-year-old & 4-year-old classes)

The children who cried at the beginning get used to their class. We see their playing with a big smile. In addition, they can say their own names and friends' names in front of friends.

PTC

Yoko Godinez (PTC president), Noriko Morimoto, Fukue Kurokawa, Jocelyn Johnson, Ai Inoue (daily

representative), Hilda Young (Saturday representative), and other PTC Class Parents will volunteer this school year. Thank you for accepting volunteer work.

PTC Class Parents

Penguin	Haruko Froeb & Cathy Uechi
Risu	Yukiko Bobillo & Yoko Cudal
Banana	Wendy Arima & Yuka Wong
Melon	Marie Clark & Pornwaragorn Parnitnun
Bara	Marie Clark & Saori Witkin
Sumire	Ai Inoue & Satsuki Shirao
Sakura & Kiku	Hilda Young & Reiko Asai

Appreciations to the JLS Volunteers

Mr. Imada, Mr. Iwamoto, Mr. Miwa, Mr. Nakamura, Mr. Nishida, Mr. Nishihara, Mr. Tsuge, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Yokota, thank you for arranging to clean the classroom carpets, installing a fence, taking care of the premises, replacing fluorescent lights, and repairing things.

New Web Site

The Nakayoshi Preschool web site was updated in October.



Donation

We are looking for someone who can donate an upright piano or an electric piano to our preschool.

October, November & December Schedule

October

13(Sat)	Sat.	Tea Party
19(Fri)	Daily	Photo Sessions
20(Sat)	Sat.	Photo Sessions
26(Fri)	Daily	Halloween Parade



November

9(Fri)	Daily	Autumn Sale (Cookie)
10(Sat)	Sat.	Autumn Sale (Curry & Cookie)
12(Mon)	Daily	Veteran's Day School Closed
22(Thu)	Daily	Thanksgiving Day School Closed
23(Fri)	Daily	Thanksgiving Day School Closed
24(Sat)	Sat.	Thanksgiving Day School Closed

December

14(Fri)	Daily	PTC Mochitsuki
15(Sat)	Sat.	PTC Mochitsuki
20(Thu)	Daily	Fun Party
21(Fri)	Daily	First Semester ends
22(Sat)	Sat.	Fun Party/First Semester ends
24(Mon)~Jan. 4(Fri)		Winter Vacation (Sat. Div. Dec. 29 & Jan.5)

