Dear CDC-PCC Families and Friends,

May has arrived and it’s hard to believe that the spring semester will be ending this month. If you haven’t already, please stop by the front desk and let Linda know your plan for summer school. As you may know, both of our Centers merge into one for the summer months here at CDC-PCC. We are working on a staffing plan now and hope to have that posted next week. All outstanding balances must be paid in full as the semester draws to a close. If you need to set up a payment plan, please contact me right away to avoid an interruption in care.

The Puppets and Players Little Theatre will be on campus tomorrow at 10:00 AM performing Puff the Magic Dragon. All classrooms will walk over to the quad around 9:45 AM. Children not enrolled on Fridays are welcome to attend with a responsible adult. You are welcome to bring siblings, friends, etc. and meet us in the quad area for this fun event. Parent volunteers are welcome to assist us in walking to and from the quad. Please let your child’s teacher(s) know if you are interested and available.

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week here at CDC-PCC! We have several fun activities planned and would love your assistance and support:

| Monday, 5/7   | Wish your teachers a Happy Teacher Appreciation Week! |
| Tuesday, 5/8 | Breakfast potluck – Sign up at front desk if you wish to participate |
| Thursday, 5/10 | Bring in a flower for your child’s teacher today! |
| Friday, 5/11 | Lunch potluck – Sign up at front desk if you wish to participate |

Tuesday’s sing-a-long was absolutely lovely and left many observing adults with tears in their eyes! We hope to have a copy of the song playing at our upcoming children’s art exhibition. Please save the date of Thursday, 5/24. CDC-PCC will be hosting an Open House event between 4:00 – 6:00 PM for friends and families of the Center and we will also be holding a children’s art show and fundraiser. You may recognize many of the artists names and work. You may already have some of their pieces hanging on your refrigerator. Wait until you see what they have been working on! Their creations will be displayed throughout the week of 5/21 and will be raffled and auctioned off during our annual Open House event. The children have been working very hard to create one-of-a-kind masterpieces for the event and are excited to show off what they have been working on. Our wonderful teachers are working diligently to get ready for this event. We plan on setting it all up on Sunday, 5/20 at approximately 10:30 AM. As always, we rely on your support to make our special events successful. If you are available to help us with set up, we would greatly appreciate it. Please meet us in the PCC lobby and help us transform this space into a gallery!

We are also looking to borrow the following items:

- Fresh flowers and vases to place throughout the lobby. Do you have some to share from your garden to help enhance our environment? If so, please bring them to us on 5/21 or anytime throughout that week.
- Easels! We need lots and lots and lots to display our artwork.
- Plain tablecloths/fabric to assist us with setting up the exhibit and creating displays.

All of these items will be returned to you on 5/25

As always, you can earn Parent Hours for all time spent volunteering at the CDC, donations, etc. Please contact me if you have any questions and/or let me know if you can help us make the children’s art exhibition into a grand success!

A letter regarding our upcoming tuition increase was distributed on 5/1. A tuition increase is necessary for Long Beach City College to continue to operate our high quality Centers. Although the rate increase will be effective 7/1/12, as a thank you for your continued support, we will not begin charging currently enrolled families the new rates until the new school year begins on 8/19/12. Please contact me directly or stop by the front desk if you would like a copy of the letter. We look forward to continuing to meet the needs of you, your child and your family.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

Happy Cinco de Mayo!

Stacey

Save The Dates:
Friday, 5/4                        Puppet Show in the Quad
Thursday, 5/24                      Open House and Children’s Art Exhibition
Friday, 5/25                        Pony Rides & Petting Zoo and the last day of school for children enrolled in C2 and D1*
Monday, 5/28                       Memorial Day – CDC closed
Tuesday, 5/29                      Summer session begins