



# Valley Quail Newsletter

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## General Information

Thank you to everyone who came to Watch Me Work Night. It was great fun to stand back and watch the children show their families their favorite jobs.

Another thank you for the many parents who have been cutting our laminated language materials. We are close to having it all cut!

### Wish List Items

Old iPod that you'd like to donate. I'd love to load our classroom music onto it and more efficiently organize the many CDs we have.

## Dates to Remember

February 9th

In-House Field Trip  
Diane Farlatte, Storyteller

February 12th

Sacramento State's Chinese New year  
12:00 pm - 11:00 pm

## Curriculum and Instructions

We've jumped into the study of reptiles with a visit from Eli's leopard geckos, Striper and Dragon. It's been fun for everyone to be able to observe their habits. Watching them hunt and eat crickets is wildly popular.

Our study of Asia will become more exciting with a visit from Ms. Ladi of the Coloma class. Ms. Ladi will be sharing her Indian heritage with us, as well as talking about the Holi Festival which celebrates good harvests and fertile lands. It is one of India's most exciting and colorful celebrations, so be sure to ask your child about it.

Some have asked about upcoming Valentine's Day. We will be studying the heart the week of Valentine's Day and be talking about friendship. In lieu of exchanging Valentine's cards, each child will be in charge of making one spectacular card for one of our big buddies in a neighboring classroom. This will be a project completed in class.



## *Miscellaneous*

### Classroom Changes

Our dear friend, Kaveri has moved to another school. We held a good-bye circle for her in which the children were able to give her a hug or a high-five and say something kind about her. We wish her continued success and many new friends.

This Monday, we will be welcoming a new student, Mateo. We have already had the pleasure of meeting Mateo, as he spent some time with us just a few weeks ago. We look forward to getting to know him better.

