

# Tender Learning Care

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## Green Room Activities

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Welcome to the Green Room!

Children in the Green room will begin learning the alphabet over the next few weeks. They will be working on a new letter every two weeks. During the two weeks we read stories, do projects and sing songs that start with the letter of the week. We will also be working on letter and number recognition, number concepts, colors and shapes and a bit of Spanish! Check the bulletin board outside the Green Room weekly to see what your children are up to. Our goal is to provide a warm, nurturing environment, where your child can develop a desire to learn, through play.

Please remember to bring a seasonal change of clothes for your child. If your child is just finishing up potty training, please bring 2-3 complete changes of clothes. If your child is a napper, please be sure to take your child's bedding home every Friday to wash it. Also, please label everything.

Your child's artwork is kept in the white file box on the round table near the front of the room. Please check it regularly; your children are proud of their work, they are very talented artists!

We are asking that no sippy cups be brought to school, in an effort to keep our fridge spill free and clean. If you prefer not to send liquids, 2% milk is provided at lunchtime as an alternative.

We also suggest that your child only bring one toy from home at a time, to prevent loss of items. We encourage children to bring something that begins with our letter of the week to school to share on circle. Your child is welcome to bring books from home to read during Story time.

Picture Day will be on Wednesday, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. More info to follow.

We will be closed on Monday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day.

For those of you who are new to the green room or to our school, I will be including a brief bio for each of our teachers during the next few newsletters, starting with me. Next time I will discuss Amy, my wonderful teacher and tremendously helpful associate.

I have been at TLC since 1999; I am the director as well as the head teacher for the Green Room. I have a B.A. in psychology and a

minor in Human Development from UC Davis. I have been married for over 6 years. My husband and I love to travel; very recently we have been hooked on taking cruises. It's a great way to see many beautiful places on one trip, not to mention the food! On our recent trips we got to experience Jamaica and the Cayman Islands, as well as the Mayan ruins of Tulum and various areas of Mexico. My husband thoroughly enjoys taking photos in the many exotic places we have visited.

I am expecting my first child in late October (so much for the cruises!), so I will be on maternity leave from mid-October until February 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you have any questions, concerns, comments or "compliments", please feel free to talk with me or with any of our teachers; all of us are looking forward to getting to know you and your family. We are eagerly anticipating a rewarding new school year with you and your children