

## Parent - Classroom Participation

**Student of the Month..** When celebrating this event your child will be our star for one month, we are going to try to join this event with the child's birthday month so that way parents can come and visit on his/her birthday and talk about their child's interests while making him/her feel special.

**Family Culture Day** We are asking you to visit our room and spend 30 minutes to an hour with the children. We would like your sharing time to be something that you and your child feel make your family special. From family recipes to decorating cookies, everything you do as a family is part of your family culture. Please feel free to approach me for ideas.

**Birthdays and Holidays..** When celebrating birthdays please remember candles and balloons are not permitted at school. If you wish to provide treats, we encourage you to also bring something "healthy" (fruit, cheese, etc.) Please discuss your plans for birthday and holiday celebrations with a team member in advance. At holiday times, keep in mind diversity of cultural/religious beliefs.

**Being in the Class..** We welcome each of you to visit the classroom and experience your child's life at school. This can be reading books, watching children play, or even playing blocks with a small group of children.

- Please inform a team member when you wish to have a visit. If it's during drop-off, let us know of your extended time and follow through with your child's drop-off routine.
- Remember that children model adult behavior, so please do not sit on tables or furniture. Be prepared to sit on the floor and remain at the children's eye-level.
- We ask that you follow our classroom positive guidance techniques.

**Family Gatherings..** We are going to have gatherings every few months in the classroom / school as a community. This is a time when parents, teachers and children get together to socialize. These gatherings may have themes like ice-cream party and pickle parties. They will be at different times of the day so that everyone's schedule is accommodated.

**Story Time** We welcome you or a special relative to come a read to the children. You can read to the children in English or Spanish.