

February. 2021 | Issue. 2

All Aboard!

SOQUEL PENS MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER

PORAISER

FROM FUNDRAISING TEAM DESIREE HUNT & JANIE BLACK

BREAKFAST AND BOOKS

Love reading with your kiddo? Us too!

ls your bookshelf overflowing? Us too!

Ready to get some new (to you) books? Us too!

Join us Saturday February 27th for a donation based book "sale."

Sign up digitally for a time slot to get some new (to you) books. https://tinyurl.com/bdpr3sbz

We are recommending a \$2 per book donation, it's the best deal in town!

Then on **Sunday February 28th**, make some breakfast with your kiddos (pancakes, anyone?) and upload a picture of your family enjoying Breakfast and Books to our padlet at: https://tinyurl.com/189uzwqo

READ-A-THON

Breakfast and Books marks the beginning of our annual Read-A-Thon fundraiser! For two weeks, from **Saturday February 27th- Saturday March 13th**, we will cozy up and read as many books as possible. This fundraiser gives family and friends the opportunity to donate per book or as a one time donation to our sweet little preschool.

We know that so many people are hurting right now, which is why we have waived our typical annual fundraising goal of \$150 per-family.

However, with low enrollment, reduced rates, and no per-family fundraising minimum, SPENS can use whatever donations people are willing to contribute.

The two top earning families from the Read-A-Thon will each be eligible to enjoy their own two hour hangout sessions with a teacher in the SPENS yard.

Yes, you will have to wear masks, but who could ask for more than in person facetime with a teacher!?

The top earner will also win some beautiful new children's books!

TUITION REMINDER

Hi Super Soquel PENS Families, Here are a couple things to keep in mind as we prepare to turn our calendars to March 2021...

- Tuition is due on March 1st. You may mail a check to the school's address or use PayPal. Please double check to make sure all parts of the check are filled out and signed. Or, include additional funds to cover the PayPal fees.
- 2020 Receipt for Taxes or DC FSA reimbursements are available. Please email me via the school's email address, soquelPENS@gmail.com with the Subject line "Receipt for Taxes". Please allow four weeks for the response.

That's all for me.

I hope you have enjoyed some puddle jumping and rainy day walks over these last few weeks.

Happy March,

Renée Roberts Volunteer Treasurer



- 8-ounce bottle Elmer's white school glue
- 1 1/2 2 Tablespoons contact saline solution, more as needed
- 1 Tablespoon baking soda
- Food coloring, optional

HOW TO MAKE HOMEMADE SLIME

- 1. Squeeze 8oz. of glue into a bowl.
- 2. Add your food coloring if desired, and stir until combined.
- 3. Mix in the baking soda.
- 4. Add 1 1/2 Tablespoons saline solution and mix until combined. If it's too sticky, add 1/2 Tablespoon more solution at a time. The more you add, the thicker it'll be. The less you add, the slimier it'll be!
- 5. Knead the slime. Using your hands, knead the slime until it holds together. It will be wet and gooey at first, but just keep kneading until it all comes together.



Store slime in a container with lid, or in a zip top bag.
The slime is best to play with on a place mat.

REOPENING

THE LONG AND SHORT CONTRIBUTED BY BRIE BUXTON

I'm sure you are all chomping at the bit to know when Soquel PENS will resume in-person class...

Currently the data & conditions (re: case and vaccination rates) are not where they need to be to allow inperson classes to resume by the initially projected March 1st deadline.

Our Board & COVID Subcommittee continues to work toward establishing the safest protocols and policies so that, when the glorious day arrives, we'll be able to function smoothly and safely,

https://www.iheartnaptime.net/homemade-slime/