



FTP Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

October 2019 Newsletter

What is
the PAC?

The Parent Advisory Committee is a parent led initiative at Friends to Parents (FTP) with a mission to provide families and the center with meaningful support, education and information towards the development of children enrolled at the center.

Benefits of attending PAC meetings include having a platform to share your ideas that will help towards your child's development and growth, interacting with other parents and forming a support system, becoming involved in fundraising activities that will help in improving infrastructure at FTP, and planning and conducting family events with FTP.

To join PAC, just attend a meeting (usually the second Wednesday of the month from 6-7pm) in the FTP office. Childcare and dinner for children currently enrolled in FTP are provided free of cost while parents attend the meeting (RSVP with Juliette Gallero so we have a head count).

More questions? Please contact Juliette at 650-588-8212 or friendstoparents.pac@gmail.com

New and
Improved

The pre-school playground is about to get a big

upgrade with a new shade structure that is on order. Keep your eyes out for this great addition.

The infants in room five now have a separate outside area to play in daily. The fenced in area has a shade structure and pour in place on the ground to make the ground comfortable to play on each day. Teachers will be bringing out toys and items for children to interact with.



Infant Play Area for Room 5 and Pre-School Playground Shade Structure for Rooms 6, 9, and 12

Upcoming
Dates

- ★ **FTP PAC Meeting** - Wednesday, October 9
6-7pm in FTP Break Room
- ★ **Coffee Chat by PAC** - Wednesday, October 9
7:30-8:30am, FTP office - come meet fellow parents and teachers
- ★ **FTP Closed** - Monday, October 14
- ★ **Chuck E. Cheese Restaurant Fundraiser** - Thursday, October 24 from 3:00 - 9:00pm in San Bruno
- ★ **Halloween Parade and Snack** - Thursday, October 31
3:00pm in your child's classroom



Safety Reminders

- ★ **School Gate** - Please remember to close the gate everyday to keep our children safe.
- ★ **Parking Lot** - Please remember to drive slowly and carefully in the parking lot as families are loading and unloading all day long. This is especially important as daylight savings time approaches.
- ★ **Emergency Kits** - If you have not already brought in a ziploc bag (labeled with your child's name) containing an emergency set of clothes, a blanket, and family pictures please bring this to the office. This is separate from the spare set of clothes kept in your child's classroom.



Meet Room 5



Laura



Georgette



Lipi

Laura has been with FTP for eleven years as the morning teacher in room 5. Laura loves interacting with the children by playing games with them and finding ways to make them happy. Laura is always appreciative when parents train their babies to take bottles at home before they transition to FTP. Laura has two children ages 15 and 17. When she is not working, she loves to spend time with her family and to work on her garden.

Georgette has been with FTP for six years as the daytime teacher in room 5. Georgette just loves being with all the babies and spending time with them. Georgette has three children in college: a son at San Jose State studying biology, a daughter at Sonoma State, and a son who just started at San Mateo Community College. When she is not working, Georgette loves to read books, drink coffee, and listen to music.

Lipi has been with FTP for 12 years as the afternoon teacher. Lipi considers FTP to be her dream job and loves to see how the children grow and develop. She commutes daily from Hayward. Lipi has two children: a daughter studying law at UCLA and a son who earned his masters in economics and international studies. Lipi loves the open door policy of FTP. When she is not working, Lipi loves to spend time with family, watch TV, and cook.

All the teachers shared that the hardest part of the job is when all of the babies cry and need attention at the same time.

- Don't forget to bookmark and use smile.amazon.com when you shop Amazon. Choose Friends to Parents as your charitable organization. Free for you, and FTP gets 0.5%!
- Join FTP at Chuck E. Cheese on Thursday, October 24th from 3:00 - 9:00pm and mention FTP.



Fundraisers