

# SOUTH WHIDBEY CHILDREN'S CENTER



## 3 Ways to Give

### Become a Sponsor

Have a business and looking for advertising? We are offering sponsorship packages to those who are able to make a donation. Contact our director for more info.

### Clyde Magic Change Jar

The Clyde has chosen us as the November and December magic change jar non-profit recipients! Go see the movies and drop your change in the jar! Thank you Clyde!

### Giving Tuesday

Did you know some employers will match donations? Consider donating to the Childrens Center and ask your employer if they will match!

## Fall at the Children's Center

This time of year means Halloween Parades, cooking projects and guest teachers at the center. It's also the kick-off of our annual Mukilteo coffee fundraiser.

On Halloween, our Sunflowers took a walking field trip all dressed up to Langley to sing songs to local businesses. This is a highlight for the kids and the teachers every year. We've had several guest teachers this fall including Animal Sarah, who brings in farm animals like pigs and ducks. In September, the local firefighters came to teach us about fire safety. Music Dave is a regular guest- more info about him on page two. Our Sunflowers (aka Ninja Turtles) cooked up some delicious pizzas this month.

### It's Coffee Time!

Our Mukilteo Coffee Blend "Keeping Up With the Kids" is ready for purchase! You can buy our coffee at the Center, order through a current family, or look for us at the Bayview Winter Markets. Our coffee blend is delicious and helps our center! They make great holiday gifts.



## Looking Back at Summer

Summer highlights include fun field trips, our end-of-the-year celebration, and the March of the Dinosaurs at the Maxwellton Parade!

Our Sunflowers enjoyed getting out into the community this summer for field trips. They loved visiting M Bar C Ranch and Whidbey Pies. In August, we had our annual End-of-the-year Celebration. We ate and sang together, and had a moving up ceremony. We also honored our graduating Sunflowers. Each child received a portfolio full of pictures from their time at the children center. It's a special tradition for our center.



## 4th of July Fun at the Maxwellton Parade

Another favorite summer tradition is walking in the Maxwellton Parade. This was our first time walking as dinosaurs! We marched to the song “We Are The Dinosaurs” and threw out candy to enthusiastic parade watchers.

Next year, we plan to thank our sponsors by holding signs for local businesses that have supported us throughout the year. If you have a business and are interested in being a sponsor, please let us know! Contact Caitlin at [director@swchildrenscenter.com](mailto:director@swchildrenscenter.com).

## TEACHER FEATURE- MUSIC DAVE

David F. Hoffman is a self-employed musician, who moved to South Whidbey in 1998. He has been sharing music with the children and staff at SWCC for 25 years. He spends most of his working hours on the mainland, and has a route of 20 schools. He also provides music programs for people in Skilled Nursing Centers, Assisted living and Memory Care facilities, and in various other Institutional settings. His goal when working with children, is to assist them in embracing rhythm, melody and movement, while exploring music and musical instruments. He believes wonderful things happen when people gather to share music, and he loves coming to the South Whidbey Children’s Center.

