

February Newsletter

ChildRoots Center For Young Children 2011

March Drum March

We would like to invite all ChildRoots Families to our next community event:

The March Drum March, on **Saturday March 12th from 9:30 AM—11:00 AM.**

This spring time event gives families the chance to sing and drum together, learn the songs your classroom loves, and help wake up the earth!

This year we are drawing new inspiration for our march from [The Story of the Root-Children](#) by Sibylle Von Olfer. This century-old tale tells the story of the seasons, personified by fairy like children. All through the winter the Root Children are asleep underground, but when spring comes Mother Nature wakes them up. Then the Root Children get busy cleaning and painting the beetles and bugs. When summer comes they play in the fields, ponds and meadow.

For the next few weeks, this story will be a part of each classrooms daily rhythm, and the week of the march, children will be invited to create their own fairy, flower, and bug costumes.

Here's what to expect the day of:

9:30-10:00 children and families meet in your classroom. Teachers will be there to greet you, help children dress and help the group form their song circle. Your child's costume will be waiting, but feel free to bring extra adornment—parents are encouraged to join in the dress up!

10:00– 10:30 classroom singing. Learn the songs that your classroom has been singing the last few months. You will receive the lyrics to each song so that you can sing along.

10:30-11:00 collect your marching drum and head to the Buckman playground to join the drum circle. Our colorful parade will be welcomed to the Buckman black top by some professional drummers who will lead us on a rhythmic adventure.

11:00 return your drum to your teacher and take your costume home.

Your child will be excited about this event and may be talking about it for the next few weeks. Feel free to invite special friends and relatives to join the fun. We look forward to seeing your family there.!



Preschool Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Friday March 18th** Preschool classrooms (only) will be closed for care on this day. Parents please sign up for your preferred meeting time.