

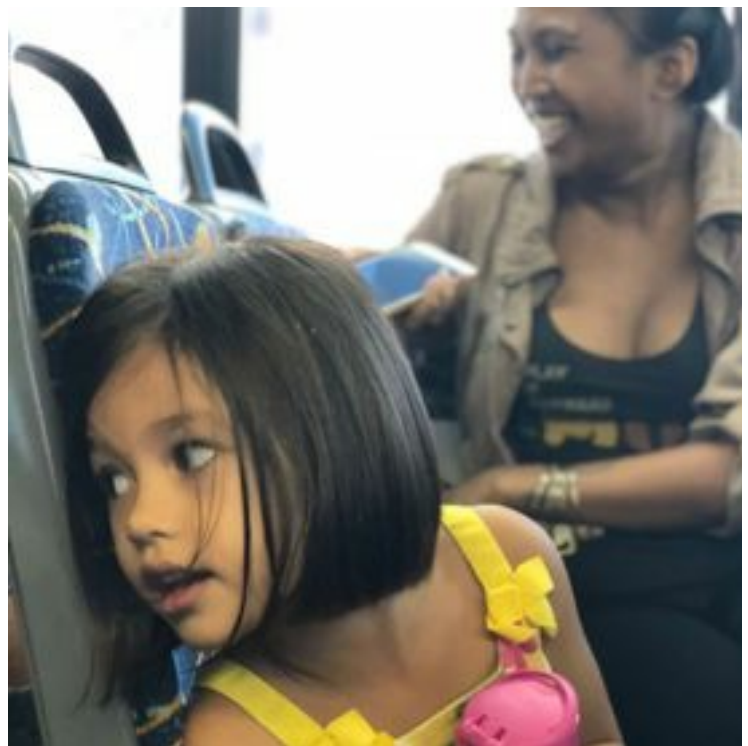


## Newsletter January 29-February 2



### **Thar She Blows!**

What a fantastic whale watch we were treated to on Tuesday! Robyn, from the Pacific Whale Foundation, came to visit us the day before so that the children could learn about the magnificent creatures they would be seeing. She was very impressed by how much the children already knew and the children were excited to share their knowledge. Robyn even brought real baleen for us to touch...it felt like hair. She also told us a story about a humpback whale journeying to Alaska. Some children traveled on the Maui bus to get to the harbor. It was so much fun! Xaydon was so excited. He looked at his teachers with a big smile and said, "This is my first time on a bus!" We assured him it wouldn't be his last as we have a few upcoming trips in the works. On the boat, we had a great view. We saw peduncle slaps, flukes, and lots of dorsal fins. At one point, they put a microphone down into the water and we could actually hear the sound of the humpback whales singing. Thank you to all of the volunteers who came along!



## Turtles

For the rest of the week, we focused on turtles. The children know quite a bit about red-eared sliders and we compared that to sea turtles. The children used bubble wrap and painted it green. When they pressed paper on top of it, it printed what looked like turtle scales. We discussed the characteristics of reptiles. The following day, the children made shells. The shells help to protect the turtle. The children used various kinds of paper to represent the scutes of the shell. Limu is their favorite food. We tried two different kinds of seaweed; wet and dry, then recorded our favorites on a chart.



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Wed

Walking trip to the park

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Thu

Uncle Wayne sing along 230pm

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Fri

Walking trip to the library for a special African Storyteller  
1015-1230

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Wed

Bake Sale! Please bring items by Feb 13th to sell

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NO SCHOOL-teacher work day

**16**

Fri

**FEB**

NO SCHOOL-President's Day

**19**

Mon

**FEB**

Walking trip

**21**

Wed

**FEB**

Bus trip to the County Building for Chinese New Year celebration. Please bring \$4 for the bus fare

**23**

Fri