



FUN PARTY DIRECTORY 2019-2020

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WHY ATTEND A FUN PARTY? When you attend a Fun Party, your hosts will ensure that you have a wonderful experience and introduce you to other attendees from the PreSchool Family community. Importantly, you are also helping to support the mission of Friends of PreSchool Family to make your child's experience as enriching as possible.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO? Your entire Fun Party donation goes directly to support PreSchool Family's programs and activities. One benefit to you as a PSF parent is the parent teacher conferences offered twice a year to all families. Also, Fun Party donations provide funding for:

- Teacher home visits for all of the incoming 3's children
- Parent education lectures
- Classroom supplies and much more

HOW DO I SIGN UP? Parties open for sign-ups at 9:30 am at the Friends of PreSchool Family Fun Party table located in front of the office. All sign-ups are first come, first served.

Available parties can still be purchase throughout the school. Payments may be made in cash, check made out to Friends of PreSchool Family or credit card.

After you've signed up and before the party date, your party host will contact you by e-mail to confirm the party details.

QUESTIONS? Missed Signing up at Fun Day? Email president@forpsf.org to check if there are still spots available and if so, you can pay by cash, check (made out to "Friends of PreSchool Family"), or by sending money via PayPal to treasurer@fopsf.org.

PARTIES FOR FAMILIES

- Los Altos Festival of Lights Parade.....Sun., Dec. 1, 6pm to 7:45pm
- Cookie Decorating with SantaSun., Dec. 8, 10am to 12pm
- Sleepover Fun.....Fri., Dec. 13, 5pm to 7pm
- Pajama Dance Party.....Fri., Jan. 17, 6pm to 8pm
- Train Fun.....Sat., Feb. 8, 10am to 12pm
- Pasta Making.....Sat., Feb. 29, 10:30am to 12:30pm
- Lego Racer.....Sat., Mar. 14, 10am to 12pm
- Donkeys and Donuts.....Sun., Mar. 29, 10am to 12pm
- Let's Go Fly a Kite!.....Sat., Apr. 11, 10:30am to 12:30pm
- Blast Off Rocket Party.....Sat., Apr. 18, 10am to 12pm
- Family Camping.....Sat., May 2
- Ocean of Fun.....Sun., May 17, 10:30am to 12:30pm
- Extended Preschool Day.....One Thurs. to be arranged in the spring

PARTIES FOR ADULTS ONLY

Applique Craft.....Sat., Nov. 23, 7pm to 10pm

Moms' Appetizing Afternoon.....Sat., Jan. 11, 2pm to 4pm

Instant Pot Cooking Class.....Sun., Feb. 2, 2pm to 4:30pm

Café Improv!.....Sat., Feb. 22, 6:30pm to 9pm

Read between the Wines.....Sun., Mar. 8, 2pm to 4:30pm

Dad's Night Out.....Mon., Mar. 9, 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Mousse au Chocolat Party.....Sat., Mar. 14, 2pm to 4pm

Blind Wine Tasting.....Sat., Mar. 21, 7:30pm to 10:30pm

Introduction to Trail Running..... Sat., Mar. 28, 7am to 10am

Mamas' Night Out.....Date TBD

Family Parties

Los Altos Festival of Lights Parade

\$30 per family

Sun. Dec. 1, 6pm to 7:45pm

Location: Downtown Los Altos

Up to 8 families

Join us to watch the 42th Annual Los Altos festival of lights. Viewing spots will be reserved in advance. Bring your folding chair and a blanket.

Hosted by Lucia Ugarte, Amy Wu and Christy Rice

Cookie Decorating with Santa

\$30 per family

Sun., Dec. 8, 10am to 12pm

Location: Palo Alto

Up to 10 families

Santa is coming to Palo Alto. Kids will enjoy a visit from Santa and decor cookies. Cookies and frosting will be provided with milk. Afterwards pick a book gift from Santa's bag.

Hosted by Victoria Bernal and Marie-Anne Fogel

Sleepover Fun

\$25 per child

Fri., Dec. 13, 5pm to 7pm

Location: PreSchool Family Room 5

Up to 10 children (ages 2-7)

Join Teacher Becca and Teacher Jenn for a pretend sleepover at Preschool Family. Kids will enjoy sleepover activities, crafts, sensory exploration, songs, books, and snuggles. Pizza dinner provided. Kids may wear pajamas, bring special cuddly animals & a sleeping bag/pillow if they choose. This is a 2 for one-- kids have fun imaginative playing with Teacher Becca and Jenn while parents decompress over dinner or holiday shop during a stressful time of year.

Hosted by Teacher Becca and Teacher Jenn

Pajama Dance Party

\$25 per family

Fri., Jan. 17, 6pm to 8pm

Location: Home in Downtown Palo Alto

Unlimited spots

Come ready to party in your pajamas, dance to your favorite tunes, do the hokey pokey while you turn yourself around and show off your best club moves. We'll have party lights

and kid-friendly music. Prizes awarded for silliest pajamas, coolest pajamas, and best matching pajamas. Refreshments provided.

Hosted by Jen Aminzade and Helen Wilson

Train Fun

\$25 per family

Sat., Feb. 8, 10am to 12pm

Location: Santa Clara Train Depot

Unlimited spots

See model trains at the Edward Peterman Museum of Railroad History at the Santa Clara Caltrain Station. Will end with storytime and each child will receive a train souvenir

Hosted by Victoria Bernal

Pasta Making

\$25 per family

Sat., Feb. 29, 10:30am to 12:30pm

Location: TBD

Up to 10 families

Come join us for pasta making. Kids will roll out spaghetti from the pasta roller. After they are done the spaghetti will be cooked and eaten with either a cheese or tomato sauce.

Hosted by Victoria Bernal

Lego Racer

\$25 per family

Sat., Mar. 14, 10am to 12pm

Location: Local Park

Unlimited spots

The real fun begins creating your own lego race car. All lego car bricks will be provided. Kids will race their own automotive lego creation down a track. Everyone's a winner and can keep the car they built.

Hosted by Victoria Bernal

Donkeys and Donuts

\$25 per family

Sun., Mar. 29, 10am to 12pm

Location: Bol Park, Palo Alto

Unlimited spots

Come meet the Shrek-famous Barron Park Donkeys up close and personal. The donkeys will be out of their paddock and roaming the green field of Bol Park along with their donkey handler. Parents, come and catch up with PSF friends old and new, and let the kids play and explore the rural setting of Bol Park, complete with steps to Matadero creek.

Hosted by Karen Ceresnak and Jackie Reiter

Let's Go Fly a Kite!

\$25 per family

Sat., Apr. 11, 10:30am to 12:30pm

Location: Shoreline Kite Park, Mountain View

Unlimited spots

Let's go fly a kite! Join us at Mountain View's Shoreline Kite Park for an afternoon of family fun. Run in the field, feel the wind in your face and check out a rainbow of kites. You bring your kite and we'll have a snack to eat.

Hosted by Marie-Anne Fogel and Carla Kassoff

Blast Off Rocket Party

\$25 per family

Sat., Apr. 18, 10am to 12pm

Location: PreSchool Family

Unlimited spots

In this STEAM-based fun party for all ages, we explore the laws of motion by studying propulsion, streamlining, trajectory, and basics of aerodynamics. Each child will be creating his or her own water bottle rocket, then launching it later to see the effects of adding fins and other materials to the bottle. Snacks will be provided during the transition between rocket creation and rocket launching. Come join the fun!!!

Hosted by Tico Ballagas and Jay Gluckman

Family Camping Trip 2020

\$50 per family

Sat., May 2

Location: TBA (Campsite will be about a 1 hr drive.)

Up to 7 families

Grab your sleeping bags and tents and join us for an overnight adventure in the great outdoors! There will be plenty of time to play in the woods, hike, socialize, sing songs by the campfire and have fun! This is a great opportunity to camp with your child(ren), whether it's your first time or your 10th! We will organize potluck meals and include s'mores by the campfire. One night is \$50 per family (plus \$6 parking fee payable upon entrance to park).

Hosted by Sakura and Yan Chen

Ocean of Fun

\$25 per family

Sun., May 17, 10:30am to 12:30pm

Location: PSF playground or Mitchell Park

Up to 15 families

Pirates, mermaids, sharks and narwhals! Arts & crafts like make a pirate ship or hat. Create a fingerprint mermaid or weave a mermaid tail. Fun games to be played like walk the plank,

and narwhal ring toss. The party will end with a treasure hunt. Light snacks and drinks will be served.

Hosted by Miriam Ringelestijn

Extended Preschool Day

\$25 per child

One Thursday to be arranged in the spring

Location: PreSchool Family

Up to 10 children

Kids will enjoy an art project, small snack and plenty of free play with their extended preschool day. Parents can give yourself some extra “me-time,” with after school care from 12:30 until 2:30pm at PSF

Hosted by Teacher Terri

Adult Only Parties

Applique Craft

\$25 per person

Sat., Nov. 23, 7pm to 10pm

Location: Teacher Jenn's house

Up to 10 people

Want to create personalized shirts, bags, towels, and more? Let Teacher Jenn teach you the art of applique with a fun craft party at her house! Please bring the item you're interested in customizing and Jenn will provide the rest.

Hosted by Teacher Jenn

Moms' Appetizing Afternoon

\$40 per mom

Sat., Jan. 11, 2pm to 4pm

Location: Cucina Bambini

Up to 5 moms

Come to join us for a fun afternoon away from your napping toddlers. We will be learning to make 3 appetizers and a dessert at Cucina Bambini cooking school in Willow Glen.

Just bring yourself...everything will be provided by the venue.

Hosted by Grace Lee, Julie Tsai and Miwa Natsuki

Instant Pot Cooking Class

\$30 per person

Sun., Feb. 2, 2pm to 4:30pm

Location: PreSchool Family MP room

Up to 12 people

Are you intimidated by your Instant Pot? Want to increase your confidence using this amazing appliance? Want to learn how to make breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert in your Instant Pot? You'll spend the afternoon learning how to cook and care for your Instant Pot through demonstration and hands-on preparation. This is geared towards beginning to intermediate Instant Pot users.

Hosted by Christy Rice and Maria Abilock

Cafe Improv!

\$25 per person

Sat., Feb. 22, 6:30pm to 9pm

Location TBD

Up to 18 people

Join us for a fun-filled evening of improvisation and theatre games! Create crazy characters and silly scenes with fellow PSF parents in a relaxed cafe atmosphere. No performance experience required, only a playful spirit.

Hosted by Terri Hilton and Helen Wilson

Read Between the Wines

\$25 per person

Sun., Mar. 8, 2pm to 4:30pm

Location: Private home, Mountain View

Up to 20 people

Love to read and chat about books? Looking for a great read to kick off the new year? Come and join us for a leisurely afternoon chatting with new friends and sharing some beloved books. Each guest should bring one wrapped, new or used book that he/she has read and would like to recommend and pass on to another reader. We will open the books one by one and you can share why the book spoke to you. Each guest will leave with a new read and a new "recommended reading" list. With wine and light refreshments served, it will be a relaxing and fun afternoon.

Hosted by SangHee Soon, Mary Obelnicki, and Christy Rice

Dads' Night Out

\$35 per dad

Mon., Mar. 9, 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Location: State of Mind Pizza, Downtown Los Altos

Up to 16 dads

Come join other dads for a fun night of pizza, beer, pinball, video games, and Monday Night Football. Lars will reserve the back table at his awesome restaurant for us and will provide a few delicious pizzas, and a few pitchers of beer. Come drink some beer, forget about the kids, and have some fun with other PSF dads.

Hosted by Lars Smith

Mousse au Chocolat Party

\$30 per person

Sat., Mar. 14, 2pm to 4pm

Location: Private home

Up to 15 people

To all chocolate lovers! Do you want to WOW! your guests at your next dinner party or just treat yourself with some creamy, elegant and light as air Mousse au Chocolat?

Join us for mousse tasting following hors d'Oeuvres and drinks, learn the secret recipe and bring some delightfulness home with you!

Hosted by Snezhana Ballagas

Blind Wine Tasting

\$25 per person + 1 bottle of wine

Sat., Mar. 21, 7:30pm to 10:30pm

Location: Private home, Los Altos Hills

Up to 30 people

Calling all wine lovers! The grocery aisles are full of wine choice; how do you decide what to buy? Probably you just make a wild guess based on the label. Talk about judging a book by its cover! Instead, let's approach this with a scientific mindset and answer this Very Important Question: what's the best California red wine that \$20 can buy? Here's how this will go down: Everyone brings a bottle of red wine from California, costing no more than \$20. When you arrive, your bottle will be disguised in a nondescript wrapper and assigned a random number. No longer will your perception of taste be skewed by price, appearance, or environment. Wines will be judged and scored on taste alone! Sample each wine in a fun atmosphere with accompanying tasty hors d'oeuvres and lively conversation. Write a score and tasting notes for each numbered bottle. You can try to sound like a seasoned oenophile and write about the "earthy tones" or "notes of tobacco and lingonberry" or you can just write "tastes like garbage" or "yum yum." At the end of what is sure to be an entertaining evening, the event organizers will tally up the scores and present the results.

Find out once and for all which local wine is the best value, as judged by you! Hope you can join us and unleash your inner sommelier.

Hosted by the Davidson, Aminzade, & Alexander families

Introduction to Trail Running

\$20 per runner

Sat., Mar. 28, 7am to 10am

Location: Rancho San Antonio

Up to 10 runners

Bored with the same old running routine? Want to hear bird calls instead of car horns? Ditch the treadmill, get off paved roads, jump the curb and hit the trails! Dive into nature with trail running, which opens up a new world to explore, and connects us with our ancient past, a time before our ancestors had the need for tarmac and asphalt.

If you've considered shifting your focus from road running to trail running, or just want to get a feel for what it's all about, join us for an introductory trail run at Rancho San Antonio. Runners of all paces and abilities are welcome, and no runner will be left behind! We'll discuss safety, shoes and gear, the best trail running destinations, and trail-specific form and technique. We'll then embark on a 5-mile loop on rugged and peaceful trails through the varied terrain of Rancho San Antonio. We'll finish with a post-run stretch and celebratory snacks and drinks.

Hosted by Dan Aminzade

Mamas' Night Out

\$15 per mama + 2 bottles of wine

Date TBD

Location TBD

Up to 15 mamas

Because we all deserve a break, a great chat with other mamas and why not a glass of wine?! Join us for a mamas only night out! Bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share and one to give away to a new friend you meet! Take an Uber and get ready to have lots of fun! Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Hosted by Karen Ceresnak and Helen Flatmo