



## Looking back

### A Look Back at a Magical Winter-

We had such an amazing winter season here at My Friends! The kids had so much fun decorating the center and our cars for our Halloween celebration. They were filled with excitement during a special visit from Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus, and their elf friend, Starlight. They brought joy and presents to all the children at the center. We also went on



a few exciting field trips, including Bass Pro Shops, the movie theater to see Moana 2, and the Modesto Children's Museum—each one was a hit with the kids!

In addition to outings, we've been baking and cooking to celebrate birthdays and holidays, something the kids really enjoy. It's been a season full of joy, laughter, and creativity. We're so proud of our happy little ones and their amazing progress.

We're always striving to create the best experiences and unforgettable memories for our kids—and we can't wait for the adventures still to come!

A huge THANK YOU to our amazing Modesto My Friends staff. This center is filled with love, dedication, and teamwork—and it shows every single day!



## Reminder to parents

- \*Please bring extra clothes for your child—we'll be starting outdoor activities with this beautiful weather!
- \*Keep an eye out for monthly sleepover information.
- \*If there are any changes to your child's schedule, please call the business office and speak with staffing.
- \*Van transportation is available depending on staff availability.

## Mark your calendar

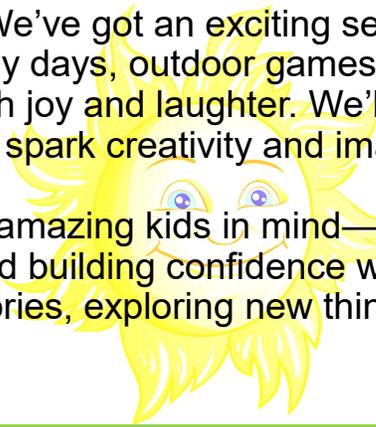
- \***Music Therapy** is held once a month.
- \*Check the **Parent Information Board** regularly for upcoming events.
- \***Water Days** will begin on **June 1, 2025**—stay tuned for more details!



# What's happening at My Friends

What's happening this summer? We've got an exciting season planned, full of fun and adventure! Get ready for water play days, outdoor games and crafts, lunch picnics, and birthday celebrations filled with joy and laughter. We'll also be going on fun field trips and having themed days that spark creativity and imagination.

Each activity is designed with our amazing kids in mind—focusing on sensory-friendly experiences, social interaction, and building confidence while having a blast. This summer is all about making memories, exploring new things, and most of all, having fun together!



## Meet Leandro

### Leandro – Our Happy Little Star!

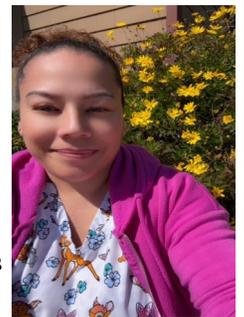


Leandro is a joyful and energetic 2-year-old who's been with us at My Friends for over a year. He always arrives at the center with a big smile and greets everyone with a cheerful "Good Morning!" His positive energy is contagious! He loves to sing and dance, and is always encouraging staff and friends to join in. Two of his favorite songs are "La Yaquecita" and "La Vieja Miope." One of his favorite toys is his little guitar, which he loves to play alongside his grandpa. He also

enjoys playing with toy cars with his friends at the center. Leandro is a big fan of Mexican food—his favorites are tamales and pozole! He has a tiny Teacup Chihuahua named Bubbles and enjoys spending weekends with his family, especially during their BBQs. He loves playing outside with his grandpa, helping Grandma clean the vegetables before meals, and going shopping with Mom and his aunt—he never forgets his favorite Starbucks drink! We love having Leandro at My Friends! His laughter, kindness, and bright spirit bring so much happiness to our center.

## Meet Rosalia

We're so lucky to have Rosalia as part of the My Friends family! She has been with us for almost two years, starting out as a housekeeper and PCA. Over time, she was trained to become our amazing van driver—and we couldn't be more grateful for her.



Rosalia's heart led her to work with children with special needs because she's passionate about advocating for them. She has always loved being around children and making them smile fills her with joy. Everything she does, she does with love and care—from driving the kids safely, to playing pretend with them, and joining in during circle time and special activities. She is very kind, sweet, dependable, and always there for those in need. Rosalia is someone we can always count on! When she's not working, Rosalia enjoys spending time with her family, especially her eight wonderful grandchildren. She loves watching science fiction and fantasy movies and has a passion for baking—her Tres Leches cake is a favorite among everyone who's lucky enough to try it!

Before joining My Friends, Rosalia worked at the United Samaritans Foundation for over ten years, continuing her lifelong mission of helping others. Her ultimate goal is to be part of every child's journey and to provide them with love, support, and care. We're incredibly thankful to have such a beautiful soul on our team!