

A Learning Village in La Jolla



**Gillispie**  
SCHOOL  
Established 1953

**EARLY CHILDHOOD**  
New Parent Info



## Welcome to Gillispie School! Save the Dates for New Families

**NEW PARENT ORIENTATION** A meeting for parents to learn about our philosophy and to plan for logistics.  
Wednesday, August 28 from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

**NEW PARENT PARTY** A cocktail party for parents to meet other parents new to the school.  
Wednesday, August 28 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**YOUNG PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM VISITS** An opportunity for children and parents to visit the classroom and meet the teachers before school begins. You will receive an online invitation to sign up for a 20-minute visit.  
Friday, August 30, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

**PRESCHOOL/PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM VISITS** An opportunity for children and parents to visit the classroom and meet the teachers before school begins. No appointment necessary.  
Friday, August 30 between 9:00-11:00 a.m.

## Separation Transition

Many children have feelings of anxiety about separating from the trusted adults in their lives when they go to school. This is a normal part of development in young children and we hope to support your family as you journey through this season. We will be contacting you to create a separation transition plan so that you and your child are comfortable and cared for during this process.

### Helpful Books:

*Llama Llama Misses Mama* by Anna Dewdney  
*The Kissing Hand* by Audrey Penn  
*Bye-Bye Time* by Elizabeth Verdick  
*The Invisible String* by Patrice Karst

