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## **Children Can Enjoy A Challenging And Fun-Filled Afternoon Of Learning, Tuition-FREE**

Los Angeles, CA—Mary Clay School, a private preschool located in the historic West Adams community, is having its first ever “Mary Clay School Visitor’s Day.” The event’s being held on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00-6:00p.m. This gives new parents who might be interested in enrollment, the chance for their child to participate in Mary Clay School’s learning program, right along with currently enrolled students. Children can have fun creating art projects, singing, taking part in learning activities and enjoying story time hour. This way parents can discover, before committing to enrollment and tuition fees, if Mary Clay School’s academic and social environment is what they want for their child.

Bright easel painting. Rolling and shaping colorful play dough. Learning about the planets and the sun. Creating collages about ocean life. Laughing and singing about leaping frogs. Listening to exciting stories and drawing pictures about them. Enjoying snacks and refreshments while making new friends and meeting new teachers. It’s all part of “Mary Clay School Visitor’s Day.”

Eleanor Clay, owner/director of Mary Clay School since 1967, approved the idea for “Visitor’s Day” this past September. Anita Riggs, the preschool teacher who developed the concept of “Mary Clay Visitor’s Day,” feels that it’s an active and involving way to introduce parents and children to the school, without any obligations. “We’ve all talked to parents who’ve been disappointed when visiting other schools,” says Riggs. “Some curriculums lack structure and challenge. Then there are poor safety and health issues to deal with.”

Riggs says that Mary Clay teachers understand that finding the right preschool isn’t easy. “You’ve got to get a good feeling about a school, about the staff, before enrolling your child.”

And that’s what they’re aiming for with “Mary Clay School Visitor’s Day.” To erase the doubt in a parent’s mind as they watch their child enjoy their time, singing and laughing with the other children.

Riggs says that most preschools and day care centers invite you to come and just observe. “But here, visiting parents and their children can actually *participate*. They can actually join in the warm and friendly learning environment of Mary Clay School. It’ll help a parent decide whether to choose Mary Clay for their child’s first or next school.”

Mary Clay School first opened its doors in 1952. It was during these complex times that Mary Clay, the original owner, realized the desperate need for a good private child-care center, one that successfully accommodates both minority and middle-income families.

Mary Clay School accepts children ages two to six-years-old (potty-trained only). The three classes include: preschool (2 and 3-year-olds), pre-kindergarten (4-year-olds), and kindergarten (5 and 6-year-olds). School hours are Monday thru Friday, 7:00a.m. - 5:00p.m. Teachers are certified and fully trained in CPR and First Aid. Curriculum includes a well-rounded program of reading, writing, spelling and mathematics, plus hands-on learning centers for science, social studies, language development and health. Art projects, field trips, gardening and dramatic play activities are also included.

“Mary Clay School Visitor’s Day” will be held twice a month, every other Friday, from 3:00-6:00p.m. and *parents must reserve a place for their child if they want to attend*. There are only 5 available spaces each Friday. (One reservation can include a parent and up to 2 children). To reserve a space for “Mary Clay Visitor’s Day,” call today: (213) 734-22xx, and ask for Mrs. Eleanor Clay, owner and school director.

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