

<u>Becky Palmer</u> Coast Kids Preschool Staff since April 2019

Hi, my name is Becky Palmer! I joined Coast Kids Preschool as a substitute teacher originally, but then became a teacher in one of our 3/4's classes. I'm very excited for this new year to teach your children and see them grow. I graduated from Biola University with a degree in Elementary Education, with a concentration in Human Development, as well as minors in both Psychology and Biblical Studies.

I have loved working with children in a variety of settings! For 6 years, I taught summer Art Camps all throughout North County for 3-6 year olds and absolutely loved it! I also have taught Children's Ministry for over 14 years with children ages 2 years – 2nd grade. Additionally, I provided childcare for churches

and small groups, as well as private childcare and nannying for the past 12 years. Furthermore, I have interned in an Occupational Therapy practice and volunteered for numerous years with programs for children with special needs. My passion for working with children has also included working for Samaritan's Purse's Operation Christmas Child and Feeding San Diego to help less fortunate children all over.

I recently got married this past year to my best friend, Will. When I'm not at school, we love to go explore beautiful places outside, create art, spend time with friends and family, and visit our favorite eateries like Chick-fil-a or Cheesecake Factory. While I unfortunately do not like coffee or tea, I do love chocolate (especially dark chocolate) and other sweets.

I love working with preschoolers and seeing their creativity and joy for life. I believe learning can and should be fun and enjoyable! The most important lesson I believe that children should learn at this age, from teachers and parents, is how loved and valued they are by God. My favorite verse is Romans 5:8, "But God demonstrated his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."