



February 2019- Newsletter

Fri. Feb 8.	Parent's Night Out
Mon/Tues Feb. 11/12	Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-8:00 p.m. School will be in session both days. Please make arrangements for your children as they should NOT attend conferences.
Tues/Wed Feb. 12/13	Valentine's Day Class Celebration-See BELOW
Thurs/Fri Feb. 14/15	NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service Days
Mon. Feb.18	NO SCHOOL -President's Day
Fri. Feb. 22	Parent's Night Out
Thurs/Fri Feb 28/March 1	Pajama Day (wear pajamas <i>and</i> shoes in case we go outside)
Wed/Thurs. Mar. 20/21	Stuffed Animal Day
Mar. 25-29	Spring Break

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on Tuesday, February 12 and Wednesday, February 13. Your child should bring valentines for their class only.

IMPORTANT! PLEASE DO NOT PUT THE OTHER CHILDREN'S NAME ON THE ENVELOPE OR VALENTINES! Have your child write their own name, or trace over their name that you have written on the Valentine. This is great practice for them!

You will need the following number of Valentines.

- Mrs. Mariner morning classes –10
- Mrs. Mariner's afternoon class-9
- Mrs. Wilson all classes – 8
- Mrs. Purdy's class-9
- Mrs. Butler's morning classes – 11 (22 if your child attends both Tues and Wed)
- Mrs. Tonelli all classes-11 (22 if your child attends both Tues and Wed)
- Mrs. Butler's PM classes – 9 (18 if your child attends both days)
- Mrs. Myers afternoon class – 12 (Will exchange on Wednesday only)

Pre-K: If your child attends school both days, they will pass out Valentine's on both days. Please send Valentine's on both days so they can participate with all of their classmates.

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE ANY CANDY WITH VALENTINE'S. WE HAVE MANY CHILDREN WITH LIFE THREATENING FOOD ALLERGIES!! THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP KEEPING ALL OF OUR STUDENTS SAFE!!

WE HAVE OPENINGS IN OUR AFTERNOON THREE-YEAR OLD PROGRAMS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR! PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS! THANKS!

Registration:

If you have a younger child that DOES NOT have an application on file, get one submitted soon even if they are infants as we fill our classes based on application date. The sooner it is in, the better class selection you will have when they are old enough to attend. You only need to fill the application out ONE time. It carries over for the Pre-K year.

As we approach Parent/Teacher conferences, one phrase you may hear is that we are working on FINE MOTOR SKILLS constantly! Having strong fine motor skills helps tremendously with writing and pencil grip as well as zipping up coats, getting dressed, using forks and spoons etc. Below is a link to some easy and inexpensive ideas that you can do at home, or give to your children to do to give you a few extra minutes to do all of those fun parenting chores! Please be aware some of these activities require small pieces so don't put within reach of those sweet little brothers and sister who still may put things in their mouth.

<http://mamaot.com/fine-motor-activities-using-household-items/>

This has been a really tough winter with lots of illnesses in children and grown ups alike. Please keep your children home if they are sick, require medication, coughing or sneezing constantly, or are just not feeling well overall. As much as we want them here, and as much as you want them to be here, little people and germs are not a good combination. We have been cleaning and disinfecting every day and focusing a lot on good handwashing techniques, however it is very hard to contain germs if children are coming in sick. Thank you for your help with this! Continue to work with your children on good handwashing practices at home!



CHILDCARE TAX DEDUCTION INFORMATION:
Federal I.D. #81-0613961

Our Curriculum Themes for the month of February are Valentine's Day and Castles and Pirates

3 Year Old Program:

Academic Skills:

Math Skills:

Experiencing letters Z/O/Q
Our color for February is pink
Our shape for the month is a heart
Social & Self Help Skills
Writing/Scissor Skills

Sequencing of sizes
Discovering pattern AABB
Matching games
Color size and shape sorting

Literature:

Kiss Good Night
I'll Always Love You
Love My Mama
How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You
Dinosaur Stomp
I Love to Cuddle
I Love You, Good Night
Make Way for Tooth Decay
Dino in My Back Yard

Science Skills:

How do objects move?
Fun with Shadows
Tooth Trivia

Fun Songs and Fingerplays

H-E-A-R-T
The More We Play Together
I'm a Little Valentine
When Dinosaurs Walk

Pre-Kindergarten Program:

Number Sense:

10 Black Dots
Graphing
Numbers 14,15
Measurement

Science Skills:

Magnets
Five Senses

Literacy:

Forming n,z,o
Rhyming Words
Name practice

Literature:

How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight
The Valentine Bears
Countdown to Valentine's Day
The Day it Rained Hearts

Songs and Fingerplays

Teeny Tiny Valentine
H-E-A-R-T
Dino Songs

Water Bottles:

Please send water bottles that have lids that stay attached. We have had several older children with the disposable type and they put the lids into their mouths which is a huge choking hazard. Help us to keep your children safe.

Well-Child Checkups: *Many of you have children that will be needing a new well child checkup form in the next few months. It is always a good idea to get an updated physical/well child check up form at each of these appointments along with a current immunization card on the State Immunization form (required by the state for our school). You will need these no matter what age for camps, school, sports etc. They are valid for 1 year. SO... plan accordingly. This is also important for any emergency medications your child may have. The plans may change as they grow.*



A Child is like a butterfly
in the wind

Some can fly higher than
others,

But each one flies
the best it can.

Why compare one against
the other?

Each one is different.

Each one is special.

Each one is beautiful.