

ST. EDMUND'S NURSERY SCHOOL FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER – 2017

"Happiness is neither virtue nor pleasure nor this thing nor that, but simply growth. We are happy when we are growing."

-- William Butler Yeats

This is a month of "National Holidays." We will talk about our first president, George Washington and also about Abraham Lincoln and President Trump. We will have our National colors, "Red, White and Blue" showing in our artwork. We will also talk about our Flag and how great it is to be an American.

We have a special day - **Valentine's Day** - and we will sing and talk about "Love and Friendships." Let's make this a special day by wearing something red on February 13th (MWF) and February 14th (T/Th, 5 Day, and Pre-K).

Color: Pink Number: #6 Shape: Heart Concept and Christian Quality: Love Bible Verse: "Love One Another" - John 3:11

We will begin to learn about our **Community Helpers** and how important they are. We **love** to have our Moms and Dads come to class and talk about what they do inside or outside the home. If you would be willing, please arrange with your teacher a time to come tell your child's class all about your special job.

Important Dates:

June 12 - June 29

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Mon., Jan. 23 – Mon., Feb. 6	-	Registration for Priority Students. <u>All returning students have to re-register</u> . Applications have been sent home. Applications
		are due back, no later than Monday, Feb. 6 th
Sat., Jan. 28	-	Chinese New Year – Year of the Rooster
Wed., Feb. 1	-	2 nd Semester Tuition is due.
		Pre-K - \$2928 / 5 Day - \$2928 / MWF - \$1784 / T/TH - \$1384
Thurs., Feb. 2	-	Spirit Days, wear your SENS t-shirts or sweatshirts
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Fri., Feb. 3	-	Spirit Days, wear your SENS t-shirts or sweatshirts
Fri., Feb. 3	-	Valentine's Traveling Nature Class MWF and 5 Day Classes
Mon., Feb 6	-	Chapel at 10:10 MWF and 5 Day Classes - Parents welcome
Tues., Feb. 7	-	Chapel at 10:10 T/Th and Pre-K Classes - Parents welcome
Mon., Feb. 6– Mon., Feb. 20	-	Registration for all New Students
Fri., Feb. 10	-	Scrip orders due!
Fri., Feb. 10	-	Healing Hearts Across Borders – Parking lot to be used
Tues., Feb. 21– Fri. Feb. 24	-	Commemorative Tile Painting
Mon., Feb. 13	-	Valentine's Celebration for MWF children
Tues., Feb. 14	-	Valentine's Celebration for the T/TH, 5 Day, & Pre-K children
Fri., Feb. 17 & Mon., Feb. 20	-	Presidents' Holidays - No School
Tues., Feb. 21	-	Priority Deposits Due
Tues., Feb. 21	-	Non-Priority Apps due
Thurs., Feb. 23	-	Fire Drill
Fri., Feb. 24	-	Fire Drill
Monday, Feb. 27	-	Pre-K Field Trip – San Gabriel Civic Auditorium to see
		Skippy John Jones
Tues., Mar. 14	-	Open House $-5:30$ in the evening
Fri., May 5	-	Parent Party – Save the date for this fun filled evening!

Summer School / Details to come in March

PICNIC NEWS:

- Petite Feet Gymnastics Program Wednesday, February 1, 8, 15, 22. \$60 additional fee.
 Permission slips available if you are interested and must be completed in order to participate.
- Special Picnic Monday, February 27th hand print cement garden stone, \$15 additional charge. Mrs. Westphal and Mrs. Doerning

Please remember to put your **child's name on their lunchbox**. Also, we have a **no nut policy** so please do not include any nut products in your child's lunch (peanut butter sandwiches or nuts as a snack). It is imperative to keep our allergy students safe. Thank you!

PLEASE BRING...

If you have extra pants and shorts you are willing to donate, we would greatly appreciate it. We use these for when our little friends have an accident. Thank you for your generosity.

REMINDERS:

- Please try to be prompt bringing your children to school. Our day begins at 8:45; the teachers would like to start their lessons by 9 o'clock in the morning and children feel uncomfortable when they arrive late, missing some of the fun.
- Please keep your child home with coughs and runny noses. In an effort to keep children (and staff) healthy, we ask that you please keep your child home when they are sick.
- <u>Let us know if any emergency numbers or addresses have changed since September.</u> It is critical that we have all current contact information.

SAFETY ISSUES:

- Please do not send umbrellas to school. If it is raining, the children will be protected from the rain by their teachers' umbrella, both in the morning and at pick up. Rubber boots are also unsafe and uncomfortable to wear all morning.
- No cell phones in use while in the carpool line-PLEASE!
- We initiated our call multiplier test on Thursday, January 26th. It appears that all contact numbers are accurate now that corrections were made by those families indicating they did not receive the call.
- Thank you to those families that provided stuffed animals for our disaster bin. We could still use extra sets of clothes! Should you have any, please drop them off with Darlene in the morning or simply in the office.

February

LOVE AND RESPECT

February is the month to celebrate the concept of LOVE and a close cousin of love, Respect. When we think about the traditional concept of love and family, it is easy to think of hugs and kisses and outward signs of affection. I hope this month you will think about how LOVE is reflected in our actions and how we teach our children how to LOVE. One way to teach LOVE is to also talk about Respect. LOVE starts with respecting the people you love and our families are their first chance to practice respect and LOVE. February is a great month to talk with your kids about what LOVE means, family love, friend love, community love and love of life. It is a close friend with Happiness as well since without LOVE it is hard to create Happy.

I LOVE how our teachers at SENS focus on creating self-confidence and self-LOVE. This is a great little book about loving yourself.

I Love Me: Simon Cover (I Love Series) by Israel Idonije





This is a great book you can read together:

Love and Respect! A Kids Book About Love and Happiness: Help Your Child Understand Love and Friendship, Faith, and Joy

by Reverend Bill McBride

And because you know, I love journals. . .this is a great journal that focuses on Love. If you haven't started journaling, this is a great place to start with pictures. _____

Knock Knock Why You're So Super Fill In The Love Journal by Knock Knock







The books above are available on Amazon.com.

Have an amazing month filled with LOVE!