

JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2019 Happy New Year!

"Be kinder than is necessary!"

WELCOME BACK! We hope you had a wonderful holiday making memories with your family. We are all rested and ready to start the New Year! During January we will study about children and animals that live in different areas where it is colder. Winter topics will abound!

Colors: Black and White Shape: Star

Concepts: Push and Pull and Day and Night

Christian Quality: Praise and Encouragement

Bible Verse: "Rejoice in the Lord Always" - Phil 4:4

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, Jan. 7 - Chapel- MWF and 5 Day 10:10
Tuesday, Jan. 8 - Chapel- T/Th and Pre-K 10:10
Tuesday, Jan. 8 - Eye Screening Make-up 9:00

Thursday, Jan. 10 - Spirit Day – Wear your SENS t-shirt or sweatshirt
Friday, Jan. 11 - Spirit Day – Wear your SENS t-shirt or sweatshirt
Monday, Jan. 14 - Hear Center Screening – Permission slip required –

MWF and 5 Day Classes

Tuesday, Jan. 15 - Hear Center Screening – Permission slip required –

T/Th and Pre-K classes

Thursday, Jan. 17 - Fathers' Morning – 9 to 10 a.m. – T/TH, 5 Day and

Pre-K Classes

Friday, Jan. 18 - Fathers' Morning – 9 to 10 a.m. – MWF Classes Monday, Jan. 21 - Martin Luther King's Birthday – **No School**

January 22 -February 1 - Pre-Registration for priority students

(Returning Students, Church Members' Children, Siblings and

Alumni's Children.)

Tuesday, Jan. 22 - Change in routine for 3 year olds – information to go out

Tuesday, Jan 22
 Wednesday, Jan 23
 Snow Day! Wear your boots, gloves and scarf! – T/Th & Pre-K
 Snow Day! Wear your boots, gloves and scarf! – MWF & 5 Day
 Thursday, Jan. 24
 Justine Sherman Speech Screening – T/Th & 5 Day Classes
 Friday, Jan. 25
 Justine Sherman Speech Screening – MWF & Pre-K Classes

February 1st - **Second semester tuition is due:**

Pre-K - \$3072 / 5 Day - \$3072 / MWF - \$1896 / T/TH - \$1484

Thursday, Feb. 7 - The Reptile Family – T/Th and Pre-K Classes Friday, Feb. 8 - The Reptile Family – MWF and 5 Day classes

Friday, May 3 - Parent Party – Save the date!

Reminders:

- Please do not leave your purse or any other valuables in your parked car during student dropoff and pick-up. This invites theft. We will be adding an additional camera in the far end of
 the north parking lot, new security signage and we have also requested continued SMPD
 presence during drop-off and pick-up times when their time permits. Thank you for your help
 with this important matter.
- Applications for the 2018-2019 school year are due Monday, Feb. 4th for all priority families. This includes returning families, incoming siblings, alumni and parishioners. Applications will be available beginning January 22nd. Please contact us with any questions regarding placement.
- Please remember each family must sign in/out their child or children each day they are present. Thank you for your cooperation.
 - o If you arrive late in the morning, <u>please remember to sign your child in at the office</u> and then escort them to their class.
- We want to keep the Carpool Line moving during noon pick-up so please limit your chatting with teachers and friends, stay in your car and let the teacher bring your child to you. The teachers will service the cars before the walk ups. With your cooperation, we will be able to expedite pick-up.
- A friendly reminder that cell phones, including hands free, should not be used in the carpool line to ensure everyone's safety. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Car seats must be used when picking up your children from SENS. We cannot release a child into a car that is not properly equipped with a car seat. Thank you for making sure additional drivers (grandparents, friends, nanny, etc.) for your children are aware of this state law.

Disaster News:

Phone Blast Message

• In January we will be issuing a non-emergency phone blast to all families. We want to be sure all methods of communication to our SENS families are received. We will notify you via email prior to initiating this phone blast to be sure you receive it.

Thank You:

- Thank you to **Carolina Kokoris, Elaine DeLellis and Lisa Nicchita** for continuing to promote and organize the Scrip program. We have been extremely successful in this program and we are so thankful for your continued support.
- Thank you to the families that donated to Hillsides and The Door of Hope this past holiday season. Your generosity is so greatly appreciated. Thank you!

January / February Picnics:

- PLEASE put your child's name on the outside of their lunchbox. We want to be sure every meal is accounted for. Thank you!
- Please be sure that your child's name is not on a picnic sheet twice, and if your child will not be attending, please cross their name off or let the office know.

January Praise and Encouragement

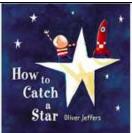
January is the start of a New Year. It is a time to make the changes that matter most. We can also remember the importance of Praise and Encouragement needed in all of our lives. The more positive attention you give your child, the more your child will undertake new behaviors and persist at ones you value. Here are a few encouraging quotes to share with your children.

"You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." – A.A. Milne/ Christopher Robin

"Winning doesn't always mean being first. Winning means you're doing better than you've done before." – Bonnie Blair

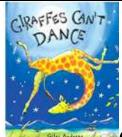
"If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely." – Roald Dahl

Recommended Reading for Children



How to Catch a

Star. Oliver Jeffers tells the tale of a young boy, a lover of stars, who decides he would like to catch one for himself. He comes up with a variety of plans, and one by one each approach fails. In the end he finds that the plans we have don't always work out, and that the things we try to achieve sometimes happen in unexpected ways.



<u> Giraffes Can't</u>

<u>Dance</u>. Gerald who just wants to dance gets tripped up and the other animals tease him. In the end, Gerald learns that in order to achieve his dreams, he just needs to step outside the box and do his own thing.