

St. Andrew's Newsletter

February 2018

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What's Happening @ St. Andrew's...

The children are looking forward to sharing their love with family and friends. During this month, they will be busy learning and exploring the following concepts:

- People who help us-Continuation of Community Helpers
- Dental Health
- Winter Health
- Presidents' Day-How Presidents help our Country
- Valentine's Day-Caring for others

Dear Parents,

Registration is currently open for the 2018-19 school year. All children currently enrolled were given the opportunity to register prior to public registration. Registration information and forms were mailed to parents on Friday, Jan. 19. If you missed the deadline for currently enrolled children, your application will be processed with the rest of the public registrations. We ask you to read through the registration materials as soon as possible. Registration deadline for the public is on Friday, February 2nd.

If you have any questions about registration, please feel free to call the school office at 610-666-6153. We would be happy to assist you. Class Assignments letters for the 2018-2019 school year will be mailed to all families during the first week of March.

Check the school calendar at the end of this newsletter to be informed of all the activities scheduled for this month. Have a happy Valentine's Day!

Sincerely,

Astrid M. Montes, Director



Happy Birthday Wishes to...

February:

7 Mrs. Mary Rose Brady, 4A
15 James Radcliffe-3A
Nishu Sharma-3A

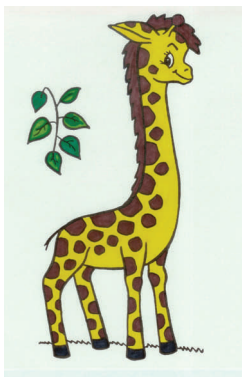


- ♦ Everyone who attended 4A Family Fun Night.
- ♦ All donations to the S.P.C.A.



St. Andrew's Nursery School has been nominated for the 2018 Montco Happening List in the Kids: Nursery School category. This is a people's choice competition in Montgomery County. Please take a few seconds to log onto

<http://montco.happeningmag.com/happeninglist/2018-kids-preschool/> and vote for St. Andrew's Nursery School (Audubon). You may vote once per email address. It is very quick! After you've voted, you can view the results to check out how we're doing so far. Please pass this along to any family and friends that you think may be willing to help us show our support for St. Andrew's. We had won for the past three years. Let's vote St. Andrew's Nursery School #1!



Class Notes:

Important Reminder:



As the weather changes, make sure that your child has the appropriate attire for being outside, including gloves/mittens. Please label all outerwear.

Coming Events:

- Jan. 30:** Registration-
Currently Enrolled Deadline
- Jan. 31:** Music Experience/
Lunchkins
- Feb. 1:** Winter Wonders Program-
PP
- Feb 2:** Public Registration
Deadline
-Family Fun Night-4B
- Feb. 5:** Tooth Buddy Tales Puppet
Show- 4's & PP
- Feb. 7:** Pajama Day-3C
Music Experience/Lunchkins
- Feb. 8:** Pajama Day-
3A, 3B, & Pre 3
-Winter/ Spring Fundraiser ends
- Feb. 12 & 13:** Valentine Parties
- Feb. 14:** Music Experience/
Lunchkins
- Feb. 16-19:** Presidents Day
Weekend-School Closed
- Feb. 21:** Music Experience/
Lunchkins
- Feb. 22 & 23:** Winter Festival
- Feb. 26 & 27:** Pastor Mueller &
Mrs. Stickley visit
- Feb. 27:** Lunchkins- 3A, 3B, & PP
- Feb. 28:** Music Experience/
Lunchkins

Pre-3 Mrs. Lutz/Mrs. McKenna

- ◆ Pajama Day is February 8. Parent helper is Mrs. Ichter. The children are permitted to wear their pajamas to school on this day.
- ◆ Our Valentine's Day party is February 13. Parent helper is Mrs. Thompson. When writing Valentines, please only write in the "From" section and leave the "To" section blank. This will help when the children deliver their Valentines.
- ◆ Please remember to label all of your child's removable clothing.

3-A Mrs. Sedlak/ Mrs. Estock

- ◆ Our Valentine's Day party helper is Mrs. Sharma.
- ◆ Please be sure to send in 13 valentines for our party as we now have 13 children in our class.
- ◆ Please remember to dress your children appropriately for playing outside. We will go out as long as it is over 32 degrees.

3B Ms. Veronese/ Mrs. Sobocinski

- ◆ We are working on name recognition and writing. Please continue to practice this at home.
- ◆ We will try to get outside to play as much as possible. Please make sure your child comes to school with a hat and mittens.
- ◆ We will celebrate Valentines day in the classroom on February 13th. If you would like to send in valentines, please have your child sign only his or her name on the valentine. Addressing them to individual children makes them hard to deliver.

3-C Mrs. Lynch/ Mrs. McKenna

- ◆ February's letters are K & L.
- ◆ February 7th is Pajama Day. The children can come to school in their favorite pajamas.
- ◆ Our Valentines party is on February 12th- the children can bring in valentines for their classmates.

4A Mrs. Brady/Mrs. Rothwein

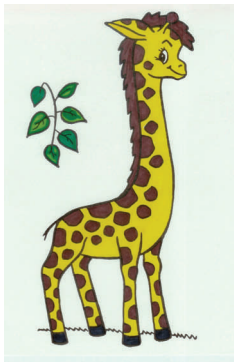
- ◆ Our Valentine Party is on February 12. Please have your child write his or her name on their Valentines, but do not have them put names on envelopes. This will make it easier for them to distribute.
- ◆ Beginning in February, we will begin practicing recognition of your child's last name as well as saying first and last name at circle time.
- ◆ I found a great article in the Huffington Post about 5 hidden benefits to reading to children. Here is the link -
http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2013/09/30/5-benefits-of-reading-for-kids_n_4018741.html

4B Ms. Veronese/ Mrs. Joanne Sobocinski

- ◆ We are working on letter recognition in the classroom. Please continue to practice this at home.
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Preschool Plus Mrs. DuPlessis/Mrs. Gambone

- ◆ Preschool Plus will discuss friendship this month. We will increase our awareness of what a friend is and discuss what each of us can do to be a better friend to others. This will help lead into our celebration of Valentine's Day. Party details to come!
- ◆ We will also learn more about the holiday of Chinese New Year, the Winter Olympics, and Dental Health.
- ◆ We will meet the milestone of 100 days of Preschool Plus in February. More info. to come as we get closer to the big day! (It may have to be scheduled around other events)
- ◆ Please allow your child to practice putting on and zipping the winter jacket that he/she wears to school...and practice tying their own shoes.
- ◆ If all students bring in snow/rain boots the class can play outside if the weather is above 32°.



REGISTRATION for the 2018-2019 school year

As in the past, children currently enrolled have pre-registration rights before registration opens to the public.

Send the application form and application fee to school so that it is received by the **CURRENTLY ENROLLED DEADLINE** of **January 30, 2018**. Should your friends or neighbors ask, the **PUBLIC REGISTRATION**

DEADLINE is **February 2, 2018**.

Winter/Spring Fundraiser (from January 25 until Feb. 8) will offer the following products:



- ◆ Gertrude Hawk (Easter Candy)
- ◆ Yankee Candle (Spring Collection)
- ◆ School Store
- ◆ Reading Phillies Ticket books

Spring

Extra Information on...



Cancellations.com: St. Andrew's school closings and emergency announcements can be found by logging on to: **www.cancellations.com**. Locate "**Check Cancellation**", and then type **19403** into the zip code box. **St. Andrew's Nursery School** will appear as one of the selections. **Double click** for additional information. This site also offers an e-mail notification service. Postings can be sent to you automatically via e-mail. To sign-up, go to **www.cancellations.com** and click on "**Join for Free**" under the e-mail notification section. Contact the school office if you have any questions.



NBC 10.com: You can be notified when school closes either by text or email. Visit the **NBC 10** website at **www.nbc10.com** and click on **WEATHER**. From there, click on the **SCHOOL CLOSING ALERTS** link and look for the **SUBSCRIBE TO MOBILE ALERTS** to sign up.

For your information...



- ◆ **Absences:** When your child is going to be absent, kindly notify his/her Teacher or Teacher Aide by calling the **Absentee Line (610-666-0426)**, 10– 15 minutes prior to class time. During class, please call the school office (610-666-6153) with any questions or concerns.



- ◆ **Late Arrival Policy:** Anyone who enters the building, other than at the scheduled beginning and ending time for a session, must sign in at the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.



- ◆ **Clothing Identification:** Thank you for marking your child's removable clothing with his/her name. Please continue to mark clothing such as snowsuits, parkas, sweaters, gloves/mittens, hats and boots. If you do not have name labels, we suggest using masking tape marked with permanent ink.



- ◆ **St. Andrew's Church:** For those who have expressed an interest in attending church services at St. Andrew's, please note that you are welcome to visit at any time. On our Community Bulletin Board outside the School Office you will find a brochure listing information about Sunday Church and Sunday Church School times. If additional information is desired, call the Church Office (610-666-6577) and ask Lynette Becattini, Church Secretary.



Show support for our school...



- ♦ **On-Line Shopping Opportunities: Goodshop.com** – Over 5,000 merchants (such as Target, Disney, Wal-Mart, Lands End, Dell, Bose, etc.) will donate up to 20% of your total purchase to the school for on-line purchases, if you register with them. Go to **Goodshop.com** and register under St. Andrew's Nursery School, Eagleville, PA. That's all there is to it, and it's absolutely free! Download the free app and shop as you usually would, St. Andrew's will receive a percentage and you will receive some really good deals.



- ♦ **Printer Cartridge Recycling Program:** You may deposit printer cartridges in the recycling bin located in the School Foyer. They are taken to Staples for their reward program, which gives us a discount on our office supplies. We welcome all cartridges from you, your family, your friends, and your workplace!
- ♦ **Buy Recycled:** Please visit www.planetgreenrecycle.com/standrewsnursery and click **shop products** to purchase recycled inkjets, toners, and other items, and 15% comes back to support our school.



- ♦ **Zwahlen Bucks:** When you purchase a **specialty apple** or an **"Avalanche"**, mention St. Andrew's Nursery School and ask for a **Zwahlen Buck**. Just drop it in the container in the school foyer to later be redeemed for cash. A delicious way to help St. Andrew's Nursery School!



- ♦ **Plaza Flowers Community Assistance Program:** Each time you shop at Plaza Flowers and order an arrangement worth at least \$34, St. Andrew's will receive a percentage of your purchase! Just mention the school's referral code, **AMO**, at the time of purchase. Plaza flowers is located at 417 Egypt Rd., Audubon, PA, 610-630-8825.



- ♦ **A+ Rewards Program:** If you have a Giant Bonus Card you can help St. Andrew's earn cash just by swiping your card when you shop. You do not have to re-register if you helped us last year by participating in this program. Program starts on Oct. 6, 2017 and runs through Mar. 15, 2018. More information available in the school office.

Safety Concerns...



- ♦ Sneakers or regular rubber-soled tie shoes are the safest for children to wear when playing, both in the classroom and on the playground. Please, no **flip-flops** or **"Crocks."** We would appreciate your understanding and cooperation.



- ♦ Please turn your cell phone **ON** immediately after you drop your child off at school. There may come a time when we need to contact you when you are not home. Thank you !



- ♦ Please supervise your children outside before and after class, in the parking lot and also in the grass. With the windows sometimes open there is a serious threat of injury to children running near them.
- ♦ Please do not leave your child alone in a car, even for a few minutes. If you cannot take your baby or toddler out of the car in order to come in at dismissal time, then perhaps another parent would be kind enough to bring your preschooler out to you. Just let us know in the office if that is the case. Let's do all we can to keep EVERY child safe.

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Winter Wonders Program P. Plus	2 4B– Family Fun Night Public Registration Deadline	3
4	5 Tooth Buddy Tales Puppet Show– 4’s & PP	6	7 Music Experience/Lunchkins Pajama Day— 3C Winter/Spring Fundraiser ends	8 3A, 3B & Pre 3	9	10
11	12 Valentine Parties	13	14 Music Experience/Lunchkins	15	16 Presidents’ Day Weekend - School Closed	17
18	19 Presidents’ Day Weekend - School Closed	20	21 Music Experience/Lunchkins	22 Winter Festival	23 Winter Festival	24
25	26 Pastor & Mrs. Stickley visit	27 Lunchkins- 3A, 3B, & PP	28			