

February 2014 Newsletter

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South Shore Montessori School

Suzi Howe, Director

Special points of interest:

- Classroom news
- Alumni News
- Thank you from a family

February

Calendar

2/2—Groundhog Day2/14-Valentine's Day

Early Release 12:15

2/17 - President's Day

3/10-14 Spring Break

School closed/CARE OPEN

February

Birthdays

101: 2/26 Nicole Palazzi

102:

103: 2/6 Mateo Arguello, 2/9 Siena Finto, 2/11 Berlin Rosenbaum

104: 2/9 Chiara Finto

105:

Curriculum

Theme: The Solar System

Author: Faith Ringgold

El: Graeme Base

Artist: Mary Cassatt

Hokusai

Composer: Louis Armstrong

Virtue: Pride

Misc: Black History Month

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Classroom News:

101:

During the month of February we will be talking about the Solar System, the sun and the planets. We will also have hands on art experiences to go along with our topic. This month we will be celebrating Valentine's Day.

We would like to welcome Tinsley Montero.

Please bring Valentine's Day Cards for our class exchange.

We would like to ac-

knowledge Wyatt Newman for his growth in class 101 and being able to sit at the table with us at lunch time and to Robby Cooper who is learning to sit on the floor.

Ms. Claudia & Ms. Janet

Classroom News continued:

102:

We're learning the Solar System. We're learning about Asia and animals. We're reading books by Faith Ringgold and Graeme Base. We're drawing with Mary Cassatt and Hokusai. We're listening about Gandhi.

103:

During the month of February we will be studying

Asia as well as the solar system and the weather.

Friday Feb. 14th is Valentine's Day. We will be celebrating by exchanging cards. This is a NO candy event. Remember our nutrition policy when sending in treats. We will celebrate Mardi Gras and Go Texan the first part of March.

We will send more information about these two events as it gets near.

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This month we will study the solar system, as well as continue our study of Asia.

Please have your child bring a cloth placemat and cloth napkin each day as we continue to practice table etiquette.

Remember to send a handmade Valentine's Day box to school no later than Wed. Feb. 12. Please also send 15 valentines labeled only with your child's name in a Ziploc bag (also by Wed. Feb 12.)

Happy Valentine's Day!

105:

This month we are classifying stars, beginning our study of Mesopotamia, and studying Digestion of Plants through our Plants experiments. We will also continue our research on Ancient Civilizations and Explorers. We will celebrate Valentine's Day by exchanging cards and with a Valentine Brunch.

Thank you Mrs. Stelling for arranging the loan of The Bats a Billion Trunk. We learned so much!

Watch for information on our next Field Trip on Feb. 28th.

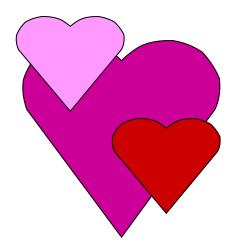
105 Alumni News

Marley Foster has been accepted to Rice University as an incoming freshman in the Fall of 2014.

Carly Allard took 1st place in the District Science Fair with her Botany Project. She also placed 2nd in her school spelling bee. She is student at Seabrook Intermediate's Science Magnet School.

Recycling

We are in need a parent who would like to take our weekly recycling. Please let the office know if you are interested. Thank you.



I would like to include a beautiful note that was written by August Brauer's mom in 104.

Dear Mrs. Howe,

We can not thank you and your amazing team enough for all you do for August. We are so grateful to have South Shore Montessori in his life and know he is going to do great things in his future because of the incredible teaching, positive character taught and unconditional love he receives everyday! It is the BEST feeling to know your child is not only safe and loved at school, but happy. August absolutely loves school and constantly asks if he can show me his 'work' daily. I love seeing him take ownership of the things he does. He is always so proud of himself and it is truly because of the opportunity you provide for children, like August. I am so honored to have my child receive the best educational experience as I did by calling South Shore Montessori our home. Thank you from the bottom our hearts for everything. We love you!

Summer, Adam and August Brauer

Alumni News:

All the hard work on Science Fair Pays Off!

Carly Allard, South Shore Alumna, placed 1st in the CCISD District Science Fair for "Stomata of a Plant".

Congrats to you Carly!! We are so proud of you!!

Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage. -Lao Tzu