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February Calendar

Feb. 2 - Groundhog Day

Feb. 14 - Valentines Day

Feb. 20 - Presidents Day

Feb. 21 - Mardi Gras

Feb. 23 - Go Texan Day

Room 102: This month is going to be very busy. We will observe Groundhog Day, Valentines Day, Mardis Gras and Go Texan Day. We will also be talking about the solar system, Asia, listening to Louis Armstrong, drawing like C. M. Russell and reading stories by Faith Ringgold. We will have an exchange of Valentine Cards on Tuesday, Feb. 14th. This is a card exchange only. **No candy!** Send an undecorated shoe box by Feb. 6th, so we will have time to decorate them. Please send 11 Valentines with the from filled out from your child.

We are asking for beads for our celebration of Mardi Gras, and please check the clip board for items that will be needed for our Chili cook-off for "Go Texan Day"

Thank You.

From the classroom:

Room 101: During the month of February we will be learning about the solar system, sun and the 8 planets. We will be enjoying Louis Armstrong's music during lunch and nap time. For art, we will be sharing C. M. Russell's art pieces with the children. This month we will be celebrating Valentines Day, Mardi Gras and Go Texan Day. As you can see it will be a busy and exciting month!

We would like to welcome Jade Clark to our classroom.

Also, we would like to acknowledge Siena Finto, who has been talking more and enjoys her Montessori lessons!

Room 103: For Valentines Day, please help your child to make a box to collect the Valentines from friends. Please make sure your child can access the cards. Please bring 20 Valentines with the from filled out from your child.

We also need each child to bring 1 dozen beads for our Mardi Gras celebration.

Go Texan Day—help your child to dress in western wear. Please don't go out and buy wear, but instead use items you have. (If your child wears boots, they must bring tennis shoes to change into.)

Classroom News

103 Continue:

We would like to acknowledge: Ryker who is doing great with the moveable alphabet. Madison Markum who is learning to tell time. Seth for working to memorize his facts and moving up 2 levels in reading! Madison Merrill for doing great pinning and Sophia for mastering blue moveable alphabet.

Room 104: This month we will study Asia. We will learn about the animals of the continent, as well as the people and their culture and traditions. We will also celebrate Valentines Day on Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Each student needs to decorate one shoe box at home for this day. Each child needs to bring 25 Valentines cards labeled only with their name and place in a ziplock bag. Please send to school by Friday, Feb. 10.

Thank You.

Room 105: It's hard to believe it's February already! We will focus on the continent of Asia, Texas History and the Scientific Method as well as the Sun and it's Family. Of course we will celebrate Valentines Day, Mardi Gras and Go Texan Day.

Watch for info. on Field Trips, Science Fair and Iowa Basic Skills Testing.

February Birthdays

101:

2/9 Chiara Finto

2/9 Siena Finto

102:

103:

2/10 Ryker Losh

104:

105:

Staff:

Theme: The Solar System

Author: Faith Ringgold

El: Graeme Base

Artist: C. M. Russell

El: Hokusai

Composer: Louis Armstrong

Continent: Asia

Virtue: Pride

Sign Language:

Peacemaker: Mandela

Misc.: Mardis Gras, Go Texan
Day and Black History Month

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Medicine:

When you bring medicine to school for your child, be sure to attach a dosage spoon or cup. All medicine must be in the original container including cough drops.

Please put your child name on the medication.

Sign the medicine in at the front desk. No medicine should be left in a lunch box or tote bag.

(Not safe for the children)



Running Shoes

At South Shore Montessori your child must wear running shoes because we care about them. Proper foot wear will go a long way in preventing falls. You will hear us repeat, **running shoes** if you want to play outside. Running shoes are tennis or athletic shoes with a non slip tread. Tie shoes with a tongue is preferred. Thank you for helping us with this.



Cold Weather

We still go outside in the cold weather. It may be for shorter periods of time so remember to dress your child in layers. Label all clothing including jackets since students have similar looking jackets.

If your child is not feeling well to go outside, please let us know or keep him/her at home.



Science Fair: Date Change

Tuesday, March 27

It is time for everyone who is in Kindergarten and older to start planning their projects for the Science Fair. The Annual Science Fair will be held on Tuesday, March 27. All families are welcome to attend this event. More information will be sent home soon.

Class Pictures

J. Pamela Photography will once again be taking our class pictures on Tuesday, March 6, at 9:00am. All children are included in the class picture, so please dress appropriately. The pictures are then processed and will be on display in our office for purchase.

Child of the World

Cooperation & Peace & Work

What good is knowledge if not combined with consideration for others. Peace is not studied as an independent subject, but with the study of examples from the past, and practice in serving food and helping each other.

Peace is the natural outcome of a method of education where children experience work with their hands and long periods of individual concentration and contemplation. In this way they are able to process and recover from all the input of our modern world. They learn that peace is not just the absence of war, but the way we solve problems. Peace begins inside us, at home, at school.

Reminder

Spring Break is
March 12-16