

FEBRUARY 2024

NEWSLETTER

I *t is a fact that anyone who lives with children, anyone who knows how to approach them with love, will always learn new things.*
-Maria Montessori, Citizen of the World

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 9: Family Collage show and tell
- Feb 14: Valentine's Party
- Feb 16: Chinese New Year Celebration
- Feb 19: Presidents' Day, we are open
- Feb 20: Pet show and tell
- Mar 1: Pajama Day
- Mar 11-15: Spring Break, we are open
- Mar 29: School closed for Parent-Teacher Conference

FEBRUARY: PETS, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
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			Furry Friends	GROUNDHOG DAY
5	6	7	8	9
Furry Friends	Teddy Bear Tuesday	Wild Animals VS. Domestic Animals	Family Portrait	Friendship Friday
12	13	14	15	16
Playful Pets	Crafty Critters	VALENTINES DAY CRAFT/ PARTY	Wildlife Habitat	CNY EVENT
19	20	21	22	23
PRESIDENTS' DAY; we are open	Pet DAY	BLACK HISTORY FIGURES	Origin of our Name	FAMILY TREE
26	27	28	29	
Letters for Grandparents	Nature Walk/ Scavenger	Thankfulness	Friendship is Important	

Creating a Montessori Home Environment

Creating a Montessori home environment, parents can start by setting up designated play areas with age-appropriate materials that encourage independent exploration. Arrange shelves with organized, accessible items, allowing children to choose activities that capture their interest. Incorporating child-sized furniture and fostering a sense of order in the home further supports Montessori principles. By providing these simple adjustments, parents can nurture their child's independence and love for learning within the comfort of their own home.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

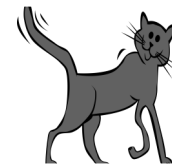
- Lucas
- Asher
- Derek
- Ms. Edina
- Maren
- Yuvin
- Nico
- Ms. Connie

Tax Statements

To access your tax receipt in Childpilot, click on Billing, then click on Tax Statement.

Be sure to select the correct year and then full year.

Please let us know if you have any problems accessing your receipt.



Love Your Pet Day, 2/20

This month's theme is all about love: loving our family, loving those around us, and loving our pets. If you would like to bring your pet for Show and Tell, please email us to sign up. A parent must be present during Show and Tell to handle the pet. Infant class will not participate. A picture/poster of your pet is also welcome.

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on Wednesday, Feb. 14, in the morning.

You may dress up for Valentine's Day.

Each student will pass out Valentine's Cards to their classmates. (Cards can be purchased from Walmart, Target, Dollar Tree, etc.; see examples below.) Have your child write his/ her name in the "From" field. If you wish, you may add a piece of candy or a small gift (pencil, sticker, etc.). No nuts in the candy, please.

16ct Sadie & Sam Valentine's Exchange Cards Dinosaur Gel...
Sadie & Sam
★★★★★ 1
\$4.00

16ct Sadie & Sam Valentine's Exchange Cards Unicorn Gel...
Sadie & Sam
\$4.00
When purchased online

Chinese New Year is coming on February 10, 2024! It will be year of the Dragon. At school, we will celebrate by giving each child a red envelope, doing a craft, and having a parade around the playground. Wear your traditional costume or the color red on Friday, February 16th!

Here are some facts to share with your children:

- It's also called the Lunar New Year.
- It's celebrated in many countries: China, South Korea, Vietnam, Singapore, Malaysia, and Indonesia .
- It's often celebrated with dragon dances, lion dances, gift exchanges, and fireworks .
- People wish each other good luck, happiness and wealth for the new year.
- Gifts are money in 'red packets' or little red envelopes as these symbolize prosperity and happiness.
- The bright colors, and especially red colors, are seen as a lucky symbol. Red decorations, lanterns and colorful symbols can be seen everywhere. These shall attract luck and prosperity for the year to come.



Some of our students performed at the North Texas Hubei Association Chinese New Year celebration.

Share us on social media and win a month of extracurricular activities!

1. Like our [Facebook page](#) and/or [Instagram account](#).
2. Share [this post](#) on your Facebook or share [this reel](#) on your Instagram.
3. If your Facebook is public, tag us in your post. If you post as a story, or if your page is private, send us a screenshot that it has been posted.

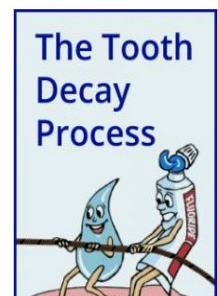
All three steps must be completed to qualify. Five winners will be chosen on February 29th for 4 weeks of extracurricular activities, such as chess, art, dance, etc, (excluding private piano).

*This giveaway is not associated with Meta. Giveaway open to currently enrolled families only.

February is National Children's Dental Health Month

Click the picture to read [The Tooth Decay Process: How to Reverse It and Avoid a Cavity](#).

For infants and toddlers, click the on this link for more: [A Healthy Mouth for Your Baby](#)



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

We will follow Plano/Allen ISD's inclement weather policy for school closing. We will look also look for cancellations of their after school activities to close early. There are no make-up days or tuition refunds for inclement weather closures.