

Building Blocks Learning Center

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Welcome to the "lovely" month of February! We wait with much anticipation for our furry little groundhog friend to pop out and make some sense of this crazy winter season. We've tasted the frigid cold and snow of January, as well as some warm and rainy days. It is so hard to be always stuck inside, even on weekends. So Punxatawny Phil, we're counting on you to set things straight - winter or spring?

In spite of the weather we will have lots to keep us pleasantly occupied this month. Hearts will be flowing as we look forward to the time we celebrate friendship on Valentine's Day. We'll learn about our famous presidents this month and cheer for the "red, white and blue", too. We'll also learn how to take good care of our teeth since February is Dental Health month. We kick off this short month with one of our favorite themes - Dinosaurs! Nobody can romp and stomp like a Preschoolosaurus!



When sending Valentines to classmates, do <u>not put names on the envelopes</u>. The children pass these out themselves and it is easier for them to do so this way. Reminders will also be sent to those "sweethearts" who volunteered to send in a special class snack for our class parties. Step 1 will have their party on Tuesday, February 13th. Step 2 and Pre K parties will take place on Wednesday. February 14th.



Thank you for your registrations for 2018-19. Please let us know, if you haven't already, that you will be returning to BBLC next year, so we can set aside a seat for your child. You may take advantage of the returning family option of not paying your May tuition deposit until March. We have given tours for new families and continue to schedule them for interested parents again this month. We are grateful for the many recommendations to these new families from our current parents. We have some seats available in all of our classes for next year. Pass it on!!



No school in honor of "George and Abe's" big day, February 16-19! Enjoy a long winter weekend of family time!



Step 2 Evening Program "When the moon hits your eye, like a big pizza pie that's . . ." the Step 2 Annual Italian Bistro Night! Mark your calendars for Monday, February 26th, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The children will prepare mini pizzas for their parents and have fun making some "pasta creations", along with a few songs to serenade the crowd! Invitations will be sent home soon.



HEARTFELT thanks for all you do for us each month! We have no specific donation needs for February.

January Winners! Joy Bialowas - Step 1,

Madeleine Neelans - Step 2, Maggie Duffy - Pre K

March UPAND COMING EVENT!

Each year Building Blocks Learning Center participates in one community service project. It's the perfect opportunity to teach our little ones how important it is to lend a helping hand to others. We join with the United Way in a project called Helping Hands. On **March 12**, **13**, **14** we will be collecting non perishable items to be donated to a local food pantry for those in our area who are in need. Keep an eye out for a flyer coming home later in February with more details about this worthwhile endeavour.

Chick Hatching Project

This much anticipated event will begin as we return from Easter Break on April 3rd. We wanted to let you know early that **we will be in need of a home for our 12 baby chicks.** Our "farm lady", who has taken the flock of layers in the past, has moved away. Please let us know if you, or anyone you know, may be interested. Chicks would be ready to go to their new home on April 13.

February Dates to Remember:

- 5 6 Scholastic Book Orders due
- 13 Step 1 Valentine Class Party
- 14 Step 2 and Pre K Valentine Class Parties
- 16-19 President's Weekend Holiday
- 26 Step 2 Italian Bistro Night 7-8



All you need is love! But a little Chocolate now and then doesn't hurt! Charles M. Schulz