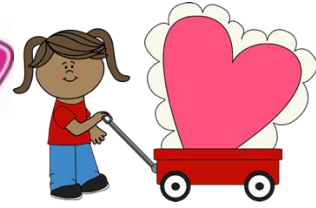


# February

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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 of January and what 'I hope' was not our only sight of snow! So, Punxsutawney Phil, what's it gonna be - winter or spring?

We will have lots of excitement to keep us busy in February. To kick off the month, we'll rev our engines and zoom into Transportation Week. Of course, our hearts will be filled with love as we look forward to celebrating our BBLC friendships on Valentine's Day. We'll also learn how to take good care of our teeth, since February is Dental Health month. We round out this month with one of our favorite themes - Dinosaurs! Nobody can romp and stomp like a Preschoolosaurus!



## Valentine's Day

When sending Valentines to classmates, **do not put names on the envelopes**. The children participate in a 'Mailman' game and pass the Valentine's out themselves - this makes it a little easier for them. 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 Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, Step 2 and PreK will celebrate on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. We make Valentine bags in school, to act as their "mailboxes", to hold the little Valentine's the children give out. Speaking of which, if you would 'like' (TOTALLY not necessary) to include a trinket or sweet along with your Valentine - it must be store-bought and prepackaged. No matter how much love was put into the recipe...no 'made at home' baked goods will be accepted. Thank you!

## ★★★★ PRESIDENTS DAY

There will be **no school** on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in honor of "George's and Abe's" big day! Enjoy a long winter weekend of family time!

\*\*On our original calendar, given out in the beginning of the school year, we were going to be closed on Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> as well. Since we elected to close on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 (Election Day - please refer to the October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 email for any questions), we are offering to give back Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> as an optional school day for your Step One child, or your T/TH PreK child. Please let us know, so I can staff accordingly. ☺



## Registrations

Thank you for your registrations for 2022/2023 school year! Many families took advantage of the 'Returning Family' option of not paying the May tuition deposit until after the new year. Just a reminder, to confirm your child's seat in a desired class, [the May 2023 tuition deposit is due on or before March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.](#) We have given tours for new families and continue to schedule more, for interested families throughout this month. We are grateful for the many recommendations to these new families from our current parents! Both our 3day & 5day PreK classes are full! ☺ However, we have a handful of seats available in our Step 1 and Step 2 classes. Pass it on!!



## 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 24th, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.** Just like the adjustments we needed to make for the holiday child/parent activities, the children are able to invite one parent to this event! We will be making some fun "pasta craft creations", playing some 'pizza related' games, along with singing a few songs to serenade the crowd! Invitations will be sent home soon for this special event!



## DONATION OF THE MONTH

A HEARTFELT thanks for all you do for us each month! We are SO very appreciative of your generosity! Our needs this coming month are:

### Step 1

Baby wipes

### Step 2

Spray cleaner

### Pre K

Paper towels

## Chick Hatching Project

During the first week of spring, we incubate and hatch a dozen eggs for the children to experience the wonder of new life! That said, **all that "new life" will need a home at the end of the project!** If anyone needs a flock or a few baby chicks for raising and reaping the benefits of fresh eggs, please let me know A.S.A.P. Have you been thinking about it and need some advice? We have a resident expert and former BBLC alum, who would be glad to give you information on all the fun!



### February Dates to Remember:

10<sup>th</sup> – Step One Valentine Celebration

14<sup>th</sup> – Step Two and PreK Valentine Celebrations

18<sup>th</sup> – Make-Up/Give-Back day for November Election Day Closing (Optional)

21<sup>st</sup> – NO SCHOOL/President's Day

28<sup>th</sup> – Step 2 Italian Bistro Night 7pm-8pm (details to follow)