

FEBRUARY 2026

NEWSLETTER

During this period of growth [childhood] the child learns spontaneously, without tiring; he observes the things around him (one might even say he studies them) and absorbs them, thereby invigorating himself.

-Maria Montessori, *Citizen of the World*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 13: Class Valentine Parties

Feb 16: Presidents' Day, we are open

Feb 18: Chinese New Year celebration at school (wear cultural costume or the color red)

Feb 27: Love Your Pet Day

Mar 13: Spring picture day

Mar 16-20: Spring Break, we are open

Mar 23: Parent-Teacher conference (we are closed)

Apr 3: Parent-Teacher conference (we are closed)



Happy Birthday!

Katherine

Nico

Ethan

Ian

Ms. Edina

Love Your Pet Day, 2/27

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.

SAFETY REMINDER

For everyone's safety, please remember to turn off your car engine and take all personal valuables (such as purses and laptops) with you during pick-up and drop-off. Even brief moments can present risk. Thank you for helping keep our community safe.



DMA Library Books

To help students improve their pre-literacy skills, Verbena students may borrow English books from DMA. Books are on loan for one week. Books are for students to read on their own or for parents to read to their child.

A gentle reminder to please keep drop-off and pick-up conversations brief, as teachers are focused on supervising and caring for the children during these times. If you'd like to chat in more detail, you're welcome to schedule a meeting with the teacher between 12:30 PM and 2:30 PM. Thank you for your understanding!

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on Friday, Feb. 13th, in the morning.


Send a shoebox or similar size bag to school by Feb. 6th.

You may dress up for Valentine's Day.


Each student will pass out Valentine's Cards to their classmates on 2/13. (Cards can be purchased from Walmart, Target, Dollar Tree, etc. See example from Target.) 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.



1k+ bought in last month
\$3.99
Bluey 16ct Fuzzy Stickers and Valentine's Day Cards
Bluey New at 
3.9 ★ (7)



1k+ bought in last month
\$3.99
Squishmallows 16ct Shaker Stickers and Valentine's Day Cards
Squishmallows New at 
4.3 ★ (6)

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

We will follow 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.

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.



SHOULD I COME TO SCHOOL OR NOT?

For the safety and well-being of all our students and faculty, students should remain at home when they exhibit signs of illness, including but not limited to:

- **Fever greater than 100.0°F.** They must be fever-free (without use of fever-reducing medications) for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Vomiting (2 or more episodes)
- Difficulty breathing including requiring breathing treatments every 2 hours or more
- Diarrhea (2 or more episodes)
- Blood in stools
- Persistent abdominal pain that continues for more than 2 hours
- Rash with fever or behavior change
- Purulent conjunctivitis ("pink eye" with thick discharge from the eye)
- Head lice, must be completely nit-free
- Impetigo (a bacterial skin infection) until 24 hours after treatment starts
- Strep throat or other streptococcal infection, until 24 hours after starting antibiotics and fever has ended
- Chicken pox, until all sores have dried and crusted (usually 6 days)
- Feeling too ill to comfortably participate in activities