



CPC WNS&K February and early March Dates to Remember:

February 3rd	Registration opens for March dates for Drop-in and Lunch program- emails starting at 7am (note the registration start date is Monday)
February 8 th	PTO sponsored "Make -a - Plate"
February 14 th	Kindergarten Early Dismissal at 11:15am
February 17 th thru 21 st	School Closed - Winter Break
February 24 th	School Re-Opens
March 3 rd	School Closed-Teacher In-Service Day
March 5 th	Father's Night 4's and Kindergarten

Director's Corner:

"The Excitement of Learning to Read"



With the same baited anticipation as a child's first step is the joy on a child's face as they begin to read. When symbols are identified as letters, letters with sounds, combination of letters making words, words become sentence and all together they express a thought, tell a story! Our own Reading Specialist, Karen Gaeta gave a workshop for our parents on January 15th where she was able to discuss : the building blocks of reading; explain what is expected of our young readers: how reading

is taught at school; keeping readers interested and engaged; and helping young readers at home.

Starting at home and reading to your child daily from infancy past when they can read on their own, you can partner with this monumental milestone. Foster language acquisition, increasing vocabulary, listening and waiting for the child to answer are of the upmost importance. Model for your children the love of reading. Be sure they see you enjoying a good book. Make trips to the Library or Book stores a fun bonding and special event.

Our own Kindergarten children are "guest readers" for the younger groups in our Nursery School as they practice this exciting new skill during the Library story time! The little ones are amazed to listen to these children. Often, we can have a child read to his /her younger sibling's class, making it very special. Truly a joy!



School News:

REGISTRATION For the 2020-2021: is almost complete and will be mailed to you shortly. Please refrain from talking to your children about next year's placement. The children need to stay focused on the classes they are currently in. Their concept of time is certainly not the same as ours and it becomes confusing and can cause undue stress for your little ones. Please know it is not possible to place everyone in their first choice for class placement. I do go back to the wait list continually and will get back to you if I am able to make changes. I am confident that all our classes are committed to providing an excellent experience for your children.

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES: February is a special month with such focus on kindness, and what it means to be kind throughout the school. We encourage the children to bring a valentine for each of their classmates. Hand-made or the simple store-bought cards are great. Please refrain from sending in gifts for each child. You can check the school directory for your class list of names. The party is for the children only and will be celebrated on the last class day prior to Valentine's Day. The teachers will be in contact with the class parents if they need any with the parties.

Father's Night for the 4's and Kindergarten is coming up the beginning of next month on March 5th. We are excited and new this year, the children will go from room to room with their classmates and Dad's for S.T.E.A.M. activities stationed in each of the 4's, Almost 5's and Kindergarten rooms. Invitation will be coming so SAVE the DATE!



Happy Valentine's Day

