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February 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The first month of the new year has passed quickly, and it's time to say hello to February already. By some strange coincidence, all of our students' birthdays are in the first half of the year, and strangely enough the shortest month of the year is also the one that has the most birthdays to celebrate. We even have a leap-year birthday-how exciting!

What Are We Learning?

In this second semester of the school year, there will be more and more emphasis on the teaching of the alphabet and the numbers. This month, we will be learning about North America and some of the cultural and geographical aspects of our continent. As always, we continue to work on our manners and practical life skills. The most important skills our students can learn during these important developmental years are how to cooperate with their peers and how to resolve conflicts amongst themselves, so that is another area where a great deal of our time is being spent at the moment.

Show and Tell

We would like to give the students a chance to share their personal items during circle time again as we had put a pause on Show and Tell in recent months. Show

and Tell items should be objects related to nature-either photos of things in nature or actual artifacts found outdoors.

Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is coming up on Wednesday, February 14th-students may bring Valentine cards for their classmates if they wish, but please provide one for each student, in order to be inclusive. We will be doing some Valentine's-related crafts and reading some books on this theme as well.

Extra clothing

With all the rain in recent weeks, we have been playing outside in the wet weather quite a bit, so we are regularly changing the children's clothing. Please be sure to send some extra clothes so that we can replenish their backup clothing bags at school, especially socks and pants.

School Toys/Montessori Items

We have been noticing that we are missing some of our marbles and buttons which we use in our daily Montessori activities, and even some of our plastic drinking cups. If you have noticed anything like this in your child's pockets or backpack, please bring them back to the school and we promise we won't ask any questions! We recognize that young children are fascinated by such small, shiny objects and understand their desire to bring some home, sometimes. 😊

Upcoming Important Dates:

Wednesday, February 14: Valentine's Day Celebration

Monday, February 20: NO SCHOOL Family Day

Friday, February 24: Registration Deadline for 2024-2025 school year (for returning children and their siblings)

Thank you for your continued support of your child's learning journey.

Sincerely,

Miss Kirsti and Miss Mindy

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