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Upcoming Events

- 1/1 /2017 (Sun.) Happy New Year!
- 1/2/2017 Winter Break(Mon.) School Closed
- 1/4 (Wed.) Art Projects Due
- 1/9 - 13 ART EXHIBIT
- 1/16 (Mon.) Martin Luther King Holiday
- 1/25 (Wed.) Distribution of Grade 1 to 8 Progress Report Cards
- 1/25 (Wed.) Grandparents Day
- 1/23 to 27 Scholastic Book Fair

Happy New Year!

We welcome the year with eagerness and joy! This month we have quite a number of events lined up for the month.

ART EXHIBIT. The Art Exhibit is scheduled for the week of January 9 to 13. The children have done some arts and craft work since the beginning of the school year and would like to share them with you. Please stop by the classrooms to see the display.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. We also celebrate one of the nation's civil rights' leader – Martin Luther King Jr. . School will be closed on Monday – Jan. 16 in observance of the holiday. Each classroom will discuss about his teachings of non-violence and equality.

ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT CARDS. We will issue the first of two progress reports for the Kindergarten through Eighth Graders on Wednesday – Jan. 25. The grades are the reflection of the work they have put in since the beginning of the school year. We hope that they continue the foundation and keep up the good work they have started.

BOOK FAIR. And lastly, just before the month ends, we have the delivery of the books from scholastic for our annual book fair. We do encourage reading for all our children – because we believe that reading is power! Do stop by the book fair during the week of JAN 23 to 27 in the ground floor hallway. See you there!

With the fun things this month – we surely will start the year with a bang!

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Martin Luther King, Jr. (January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968) was an American clergyman, activist and prominent leader in the African-American civil rights movement. His main legacy was to secure progress on civil rights in the United States, and he has become a human rights icon.

In 1964, King became the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for his work to end racial segregation and racial discrimination through civil disobedience and other non-violent means. By the time of his death in 1968, he had refocused his efforts on ending poverty and opposing the Vietnam War. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1977 and Congressional Gold Medal in 2004. The Holiday was established as a US holiday in 1986.

Source. En.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marin_Luther_King_Jr. and Clip Art

Happy New Year!

"The children around us are the adults of the future who will ultimately decide the fate of our planet."

- Maria Montessori

INFANT AND TODDLER News

Happy New Year to our children and parents!

After our brief holiday break, we are once again energized to begin our new year and continue where we left off a few days ago. This month, our classroom themes will be about the winter season and colors of winter. We'd also be listening to stories about Martin Luther King and would like to encourage participation in the school's Book Fair. Book donations to our classrooms will be very much appreciated. Though we have the tiniest tots of the school – listening to stories and colorful picture books develop their cognitive, reasoning and listening skills!

Have a happy January and until next month!

PRIMARY News

We're glad we're back to start the New Year with a bang! This month we are busy preparing our Art work for the upcoming ART FAIR with our teachers. We are also looking forward to our special day with our grandparents . We have a little something prepared for them so please come to our Grandparents Day. Something more to look forward to also this month is our continuing lessons in Language, Math and Cultural Arts. We really want to learn and do well in school. There will also be a Book Fair and that is really very exciting! School is fun and we're glad we're back! next month!

LOWER ELEMENTARY News

We're glad to be back this New Year! We kick off the year completing our Art Projects for the Art Exhibit. Please stop by our classrooms to see your child's arts and crafts work. This month also we celebrate the works and valuable life lessons of a great civil rights leader – Martin Luther King. We continue our READING LOG this month as an extension of our reading program in Language class. Lastly, as we continue to encourage reading, please stop by our Book Fair . A classroom book donation would be greatly appreciated. We'd like to invite our Grandparents too for our special Grandparents day Celebration for them in our classroom during Book Fair Week.

Happy January and we'll give you more news next month. Don't forget to pick up your child's progress report on 1/ 25

UPPER ELEMENTARY and MIDDLE SCHOOL News

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The children are doubling up their efforts and making sure that they complete all requirements needed before the first term of the school year ends. Progress report cards will be handed on January 25 and they want to make sure they earn the grade they deserve. The children are also busy completing the Art work for the Art Exhibit scheduled for this month. We are also looking forward to another grandparent's day celebration the beginning of February. Thank You for working with us in keeping your child's regular school attendance. Until next month!

December's Holiday Program / Grandparents' Day!

HOLIDAY PROGRAM. It was a joyful – and cheerful Holiday program we had last month. Holiday Carols, dances, little plays - were rendered by the children and we had a hearty pot luck for Tea Time!

This would not be possible without all your generous support and help – and so we thank you so very much!

GRANDPARENTS' DAY. The official Grandparents' Day is not until September but since it also coincides with the school opening, we usually set our special day for them around this time of the year. Grandparents are important and loved and we want to express that come Wednesday – January 25. See you there!

February Events / Book Fair

February Events. Just giving a heads up for all – we are having our SCIENCE FAIR and Exhibit in a couple of weeks. Before the month ends, we will be handing out Science Project information to your child. Next month too, we celebrate and learn about the Presidents in observance of Presidents Day.

BOOK FAIR. Annually, we have the Book Fair, sponsored by Scholastic in our school grounds! We have the fair for the week of January 23 to 27. As was done last year, the fair was held in the hallways of the ground floor. Books for all ages will be included and for all members of the family. So please bring your friends and family to this event. Watch out for the poster announcements.

Winter Jackets/Sweaters / Library Visit

Winter Jackets and Sweaters. Just a reminder for all - It is the winter season and the weather has been anything but chilly and cold lately and will continue to be so in the next couple of months. We would like to ask your help in reminding your child to keep their jackets on when it is cold and to make sure to pick it/them up when they remove it and when they go home at the end of the day. Properly labeled jackets go home to their rightful owner when they are taken home by mistake. We thank you in enforcing this task.

Thanks! Thank you to all our parents who have given their time and support in all our school events. We truly appreciate the pot luck food donations as well and the exchange gift activity among the children last December.

GRADES K TO 8 LIBRARY VISIT. Classroom library visit started from October 2016, with Room D, followed by A, E & Fin the succeeding latter months of the year. The elementary children visited the San Dimas Public Library. This January, we are making sure that the children are well into the routine of reading. The annual visit is part of an extension of the Language curriculum for the Reading component. The Lower Elementary (Grades K to 3) will continue their weekly Reading Log Program. The Upper and Middle School grades will supplement and develop their research skills and book reports.

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Office Reminders

Here are some important school policies and guidelines. Please make a note of it.

SAFETY FIRST. We would like to remind our parents to please observe the 25mph school zone speed limit in our parking lots. Remember that the safety of the children come first in everything and we would like everybody to make sure that they drive with caution upon entering and exiting the parking lots. Thank you for your cooperation!

TUITION FEES. Monthly tuition fees are due on the first of each month. Late fee of $24 apply after the 10th of the month. Tuition can be made in the form of check or credit cards (VISA or Mastercard with 1% processing fee).

Extra Curricular Activities

Charter Oak Gymnastics. Every Monday from 12:00 -12:30 Preschool & 12:35 – 1:05pm Elementary. Cost is $51 for 6 sessions per period.

Music and Kids. Cost is $44 for four 30 minutes class on Mondays 3 – 3:30 Preschool & 3:30 Elementary.

Petite Feet. Is the same dance class that will be handled by the same teacher of Webby Dance. Held on Wednesdays from 2:45 p.m. Cost is $40 per month.

Bricks4Kidz.(STEM Program) – Spaces limited, first come first served . 6 classes per session on Wednesdays from 1 – 2 pm(K to 2nd) & 2:15 – 3:15 (3rdto8th) - $89. 3rd Session starts in January! Dates to be announced.

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