

## *Weekly Notes February 7, 2023*

### *Office Notes*

MSOR Adolescent & Secondary Programs are hosting a Valentine's Day Babysitting fundraiser open to **Primary age and up only**. This event will take place on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9:30pm and all proceeds will go toward International Travel to Spain and Portugal. Space is limited so check your e-mail for more information.

**Adolescent & Secondary Parents:** Be sure to view the attached flyer (at the bottom of Tuesday Notes) for more information about the upcoming International trip to Spain and Portugal!

### *Ms. Ginny's and Ms. Kelly's Toddler Class*

We are enjoying the beautiful weather this week after all that rain! The children are soaking up the warm sunshine and hoping for an early spring as predicted on Groundhog Day.

Quick reminder that our pick-up window is from 2:15-2:25 at Gate #2. Picking up your child during this time will help prevent traffic from backing up. I Thank you for your help!

International Day is just around the corner and we are exploring the sights of sounds of Italy. We look forward to a wonderful presentation on the 23rd!

*Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly*

### *Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Jessica's, and Ms. Kristin's Toddler Class*

We are having a great time learning about Mexico! The kids are so excited. This week we have been talking about the Sonoran Desert. We have started decorating the classroom with cacti, rattlesnakes, and iguanas.

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on the 14th. We have had people volunteer to bring in a treat for the class. There has been a question as to what is allowed, you are welcome to send in a treat or candy. I put a card because in the past some people have brought in a whole gift bag per child. We will use a small bag for them to deliver them to their friends so I just wanted to make sure everything would fit.

Thank you to everyone who has sent in artifacts and books from Mexico. The kids love looking at them. If you would like to send in a large pinata for the class fiesta please let me know. We will also need treats to fill it with. Thanks so much for your help making International Day a success!

*Ms. Shannon*

### *Ms. Angie's, Ms. Karabeth's, and Ms. Rana's Primary Class*

International Day is fast approaching and we are learning new things about Romania every day. It is such an awesome country with lots of interesting history. The children are learning to count in Romanian and they are also learning a Romanian song and a dance. We will send the links home on Friday so that you can listen to it with your child for the next couple of weeks. We will also send home the information about the costumes for the children then. If you have not signed up on the menu through Signup Genius, then please do so. Each child will have a speaking part of some sort and we will send that information home on Friday also. If you have any questions about International Day, then please get in touch with me.

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on Tuesday in our class. Your child can send in 26 Valentine cards with your child's name on the "from" section. You do not need to write who it is to. We also need a couple of sweet treats on Tuesday for our class. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Thanks.

*Ms. Angie*

## *Ms. Krystle's, Ms. Macy's, and Ms. Trudy's Primary Class*

Hello families!

We are all thoroughly enjoying our Tahitian studies thus far! If your child was given a word to practice (this was sent to each individual via text), please remember to practice with your child because your child will be expected to say their word during our visit day with school peers and parents.

We still have slots available that need to be filled on our signup genius for food. If you can, please sign up. We sure appreciate your help in making this event special.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, we will be celebrating Valentine's Day. If your child would like to bring in Valentine's Day cards, you may. Please DO NOT label who they are to, only label who they are FROM. We are a chocolate free environment.

Last, but not least, our drop off time is between 8:10 - 8:20. If you arrive after this time, you will need to park and walk your child into their classroom.

Warmly,

*Ms. Krystle, Ms. Macy, & Ms. Trudy*

## *Ms. Robin's and Ms. Dolores's Lower Elementary Class*

Thank you for the Scholastic book orders! Our class received 17 new books yesterday when the orders arrived! A few people submitted orders after the deadline and these were not included in the first shipment. We will close that order on Saturday, so you can still place an order by then if you want to purchase any Scholastic books. Our code is W6X9Y.

We will celebrate the February birthdays for Haley, Sam, and Maralee this Friday, 2/10, with a birthday lunch. Please send your child with a snack and water bottle.

LaShay McBurnett-O'Connor has volunteered to send in treats for Valentine's Day next Tuesday. The children will decorate bags and exchange valentines in the afternoon. Please have them sign the valentines but don't put the recipient's names on the valentines.

We sent home a Science Fair proposal form and a list of due dates in this week's homework folder. Students have been reading books at school to help them get ideas for their projects. We will send home packets this Friday along with more instructions. Please help your child find a topic that sparks their interest to make the project more fun!

*Ms. Robin & Ms. Dolores*

### *Ms. Stefanie's Lower Elementary Class*

This week we're having a special art activity to help us experience a traditional art form in Poland. AJ's mom will be visiting the classroom to teach us about Wycinanki, pronounced "Vee-chee-non-kee." This is the Polish word for "cut-paper design." We'll use this technique to create beautiful Valentines! Thank you to AJ's mom for instructing us on the use of this art form!

Also, this Friday will be a birthday lunch for Rayansh! We are looking forward to celebrating his birthday with him this week! Happy birthday, Rayansh! Thank you to Rayansh's family for providing the birthday lunch.

On February 22nd, AJ's mom will be back to help us make pierogis! Everyone is looking forward to trying this tasty Polish dish. Thank you, again, to AJ's mom for introducing us to this traditional food from Poland.

I am working on a Sign Up Genius list for the International Day food. If you are unfamiliar with our school's traditional celebration of International Day, each family signs up to bring a dish from our classroom's country we chose to study. This year we are learning all about Poland so our menu will be focused on Polish dishes. I will let you know as soon as the menu is posted on Sign Up Genius. Thank you for all you do to help us celebrate cultures around the world! International Day will be in the classroom on Friday, February 24th during the school day. Exact times will be sent out soon.

Thank you to everyone who has sent in boxes to help us decorate our classroom for International Day! I think we have an excellent supply and will not need additional boxes.

Keep in mind that I am available before school from 7:00 am – 7:30 am or after school on Mondays, Thursdays, & Fridays from 3:10 pm – 4:45 pm if anyone needs to schedule a conference before the sign-up list is posted.

Please continue to be mindful of sending healthy foods in lunches & snacks! Thank you!

*Ms. Stefanie*

### *Upper Elementary Class*

Happy Tuesday!

We have International Day preparations underway. The sign-up list for food will be available soon. We are asking that parents help out with our cultural celebration of Ancient China by purchasing costumes for the children. A separate email will be sent out with more details about costume information.

We are looking forward to a fantastic month!

*Upper Elementary Guides*

*See below for more information for  
Adolescent & Secondary Programs:*



*Adolescent & Secondary Class*



## **Spring Trip - 3/28 - 4/6**

All tickets are purchased, and the students will select hotels within their budget; once the students finalize travel itineraries & arranging a parent meeting will be scheduled for mid-February.



Depart ATL on 3/28 arrive in Lisbon on 3/29 @ 8AM

Depart LIS on 4/1 in the morning, fly to Madrid, spend two nights & depart Madrid on 4/3 via high-speed train to Barcelona.

On 4/6, depart BCN at 11:30 AM to ATL and arrive at 4:00 PM.