



NEWSLETTER

February, 2020

CALENDAR

February	1	TUITION DUE
	17	Presidents Day School closed
	19	2019-2020 Tuition Deposits Due



VALENTINES DAY

Each class will do their own Valentine's Day celebration. Please look for information from your child's classroom teacher. In keeping with our snack policies, we ask that **no candy** be sent into school for Valentine's Day.

2020-2021 ENROLLMENT

We have worked very hard to try and give everyone their first choice in classes but please know that it may not be possible. We do put a lot of time and thought into making up classes for next year. There are openings still available for every age.

PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL

When children consistently arrive 15 – 20 minutes late, they miss some important parts of their day and often take a longer time to transition back to school. We understand that on occasion, children will be late but there are many families who are consistently late, and children are missing a lot. For those of you who have caregivers bring children to school, please let them know that it is important to you that your child/children arrive on time to school. Also, please be on time when picking up children at the end of the day, Teachers have staff meetings on Wednesdays so that day it is particularly important to

pick up on time.

ODDS AND ENDS

- Please sign your child in and out every day.
- Please remember to bring snack on your assigned day or switch with another family if your day is not convenient for you. If you forget, please remember to send something in to replace what we used from our cupboards.

FROM THE DIRECTOR:

This article comes from Exchange Every Day January 20, 2020

No Lights Out Rule!

January 20, 2020

Beauty of whatever kind, in its supreme development, invariably excites the sensitive soul to tears.

-Edgar Allen Poe

In [*Literacy: A Beginnings Workshop Book*](#), Leah Curry-Rood writes about how she encouraged her own children's literacy development:

“Over the years, talking with teachers and parents about reading, I have often shared one of our family secrets – we never had a ‘lights out’ rule for children or adults! People respond with looks of disbelief and questions pour forth. ‘How is bedtime managed?’...

Establishing a bedtime based on the age and development of the child was the first part of the rule. The second part was that you could read until you were ready to turn off the lamp on the bedside table. (Many adults are not aware that children need a reading lamp on a table next to their bed!) Once you were in bed with your books, you never had to get out again. With this rule, reading is the only activity – not telephone, no television. Interestingly enough, even young children are capable of assuming this responsibility, and it makes them feel wonderfully good about themselves.”

Food for thought when bedtime becomes a family struggle!