

Dear Parents,

We do not plan on any February blahs this year, we are just going to be too busy. We are really into Valentines this week and had fun with groundhog day (those were not beavers on a stick that came home they were in fact groundhogs).

Looking ahead to things coming up-- you will get a letter from us about a summer camp option this week. We are also asking returning children to re-register and you will receive a letter about that with the forms you need. Watch for those letters.

We are reminding you that a \$25 activity fee is due ASAP.

Feb. 14 is our Valentine Party- 1:00 dismissal, aftercare available, lunch served at school. Please send in the Valentine cards for the children before Valentines Day and we will "mail" them.

Feb. 17 the clinicians from Gallaudet University will come in the morning for a speech and language screening and a hearing screening. Their fee is \$15 for both screenings and it is well worth it. You will receive a written letter from them if they feel your child needs services either speech or a complete hearing evaluation. I am hoping everyone will take advantage of this service. See me if you have questions.

Feb. 20 no school because of Presidents' Day.

Feb. 24 trip by Metro to Natural History Museum for a Dinosaur Day. We could still use a few more chaperones. The children are really revved about this trip.

Feb 23 is Open House for new Students, 7:00pm to 8:30pm. If you know anyone who may be interested in our program please send them to us. We have a lot of early interest and I just hate to turn anyone away.

Thursday this week is the letter E. Please send in a picture and talk about sounds and beginning letter with the children. Some are really getting into it but reinforcement is important for everyone in language development. It's great to do in the car for a few minutes or at bedtime. Don't make it work, just fun and it will make a great difference.

See what I mean about February?

Fondly,
Linda and Crystal