



CHILDREN'STM

L I G H T H O U S E

EARLY LEARNING SCHOOL



It's February and there are a lot of things to do this month. Thank you to all the parents that participated in our multi-cultural month of fun! Big thanks to you for helping us learn more about the world around us! Keep an eye out for more parent participation activities in the very near future. We are always happy to have our parents join us for fun activities and events. It is what makes our community special!

This month we will be focusing on Black History. We will begin the month traveling to the stars with Mae Jemison. After we get back from outer space we will have fun painting to music by Aretha Franklin. In the middle of the month we will compete in a poetry writing competition inspired by Maya Angelou. We will then get dirty with clay as we create sculptures like Augusta Savage. All projects, poems and art will be displayed in the lobby area for our families to enjoy.

We also want to thank all the parents who provided us with their family pictures. We will continue to utilize them in the classrooms to create a home-to-school connection in each room. It is so nice to have all of our families and their cultures represented in our classes. Be sure to check out the photo walls in your child's classroom. If you have not already given us a family photo, you can still participate by sending us one at your earliest convenience.

Gearing up for next month, March! We will be asking for plastic egg donations beginning the first of March. Your child will participate in our annual Egg Hunt right before the Easter break. We ask that, if you can, please provide us with filled eggs for distribution during our Hunt. March also brings us Spring Break Camp for our School-Age friends. If you are thinking about sending your elementary child to Spring Break Camp, please be sure to let us know ASAP!



SPECIAL DATES

- 2/3 Elmo's Birthday!
- 2/5 Out of This World!
- 2/7 National Wear Red Day!
- 2/11 Rock Band Day
- 2/13 Harry Potter Day!
- 2/14 Friendship Parties
- 2/14 Parent's Night Out!
- 2/17 CLOSED
- 2/19 Fairytale Day
- 2/21 Villain's Day
- 2/24 Race Day!
- 2/26 Pokémon Day
- 2/28 PJ Day!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Friendship Parties!!
- Black History Month

PARENTS NIGHT
OUT

Friday, 2/14

From 6:30pm-10:30pm

Have a romantic night out without the kiddos. Your child will enjoy a fun night of movies, pizza and activities.

Siblings not enrolled are welcome to join!

\$50.00—one child

\$25.00—each additional child



LABEL YOUR
ITEMS

Please label all items. This includes hats, scarves, mittens, etc. As much as our staff try to keep items together and to send them home with the correct children, we have 200 students that go to multiple play areas each and everyday. Jackets, hats, water bottles, etc. get left behind and it is very hard to find their owner when they are not labeled. Please put your child's first and last initial on everything coming into the building!

WHAT'S COMING UP!

2/3 Elmo's Birthday! Dress in any Sesame Street attire.

2/5 Out of This World! It's space day!

Celebrate: May Jamison—Astronaut—Space Activity.

2/7 National Wear Red Day!

2/11 Rock Band Day

Celebrate: Aretha Franklin—Painting to music.

2/13 Harry Potter Day: choose your Hogwarts house and dress in their colors!

Gryffindor—Red & Gold

Hufflepuff—Yellow & Black

Ravenclaw— Blue & Bronze

Slytherin— Green & Silver

2/14 Friendship Parties @ 3:30pm Join us for a loving afternoon celebrating our friends and family.

2/14 Parent's Night Out! Drop your child off with us and have a peaceful Valentines evening.

2/17 CLOSED—Teacher In-Service Day

2/19 Fairytale Day: wear any fairytale outfit. Princess and Cavaliers welcomed.

Celebrate: Maya Angelou—Poetry competition

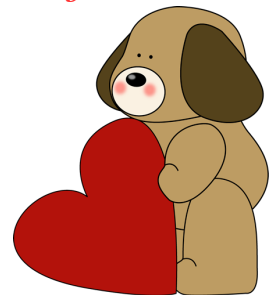
2/21 Villain's Day: dress as any villain

2/24 Race Day! Get ready, get set, Go! Wear your race day gear.

2/26 Pokémon Day: wear your favorite Pokémon attire.

Celebrate: Augusta Savage—Clay / pottery activity

2/28 PJ Day! You know what to do!



FRIENDSHIP PARTIES

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14 @ 3:30PM

We invite you to join us for our friendship parties on February 14th at 3:30pm. Please remember that we are a nut free facility.

Anything brought in as Valentine's treats should be store bought, sealed and nut free. Please check with your teacher for any further information about allergies in the classroom.



FOCUS ON HISTORICAL FIGURES

Mae Jamison

Mae Carol Jemison is an American engineer, physician, and former NASA astronaut. She became the first black woman to travel into space when she served as a mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour.

Aretha Franklin

Aretha Franklin was an American singer, songwriter, and civil rights activist. Over 75 million copies of her albums have been sold. In 2005 Franklin received the Presidential Medal of Freedom for revolutionizing music and "helping to shape our Nation's artistic and cultural heritage."

Maya Angelou

Maya Angelou was an American memoirist, popular poet, and civil rights activist. She published seven autobiographies, three books of essays, several books of poetry, and is credited with a list of plays, movies, and television shows spanning over 50 years.

Augusta Savage

Augusta Savage was an American sculptor associated with the Harlem Renaissance. She was also a teacher whose studio was important to the careers of a generation of artists who would become nationally known. She worked for equal rights for African Americans in the arts.

INFO ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS

During our Friendship Parties your child will have a chance to pass out Valentine's Day cards. We ask that you please write:

To: My Friend or Friend

From: your child's name

This makes it easier for your child to pass out cards.

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION

We have experienced our first round of inclement weather this year. We will follow the Round Rock School District closures. However, if we are able to open, we will. We take bad weather closures seriously as we have many families and employees counting on us. However, when weather is so severe that we cannot get enough staff to the building, it is simply not possible to open. Thank you for your understanding.