

# CATHEDRAL HOUSE NEWS

**FEBRUARY 2011**

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

**THURS., FEBRUARY 2ND**  
**GROUND HOG DAY**

**FRI., FEBRUARY 3RD**  
**JERSEY DAY**  
(SUPER BOWL SUNDAY FEB. 5TH)

**TUES., FEBRUARY 14TH**  
**VALENTINE CLASSROOM**  
**PARTIES**

**MON., FEBRUARY 20TH**  
**PRESIDENT'S DAY**

**TUES., FEBRUARY 21ST**  
**MARDI GRAS PARADE**  
(4:15 P.M. IN THE COURTYARD)

**FRI., FEBRUARY 25TH**  
**GO TEXAN DAY!**  
(WEAR YOUR COWBOY GEAR)

## **HONESTY**

FEBRUARY'S THEME IS HONESTY. THIS IS A GREAT CHARACTER BUILDING THEME TO TALK ABOUT DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY. LOOK OUT FOR LOTS OF TALK ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HONEST AND WHY HONESTY IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC.

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

- ◇ PARENTS THAT NEED CLASSROOM LISTS OR DIRECTORIES, MAY REQUEST THESE ITEMS AT THE FRONT DESK.
- ◇ PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR FAMILY FOLDERS OFTEN. DOING SO WILL ENSURE THAT YOU ARE UP-TO-DATE ON ALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS.
- ◇ PLEASE UPDATE ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS AND EMAIL ADDRESSES AT THE FRONT DESK. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS INFORMATION IS KEPT CURRENT IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCIES.

# ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

## CHES T-SHIRT SALE

CATHEDRAL HOUSE T-SHIRTS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS. THE PRICE IS \$15.00 PER T-SHIRT. THE SIZES COME IN 12 MO., 2T, 3T, 4T AND YOUTH SMALL. PLEASE SEE THE FRONT DESK TO ORDER YOUR VERY OWN CHES T-SHIRT!

## MARDI GRAS PARADE

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST AT 4:15 P.M.** WE'LL BEGIN OUR ANNUAL MARDI GRAS PARADE! PLEASE WAIT IN THE CHURCH COURTYARD FOR THE PARADE TO ARRIVE, AND THEN FOLLOW BACK TO OUR PLAYGROUND TO CATCH BEADS THROWN BY OUR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS! WE ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FUN FAMILY EVENT. PLEASE PARK IN THE CATHEDRAL PARKING GARAGE.

## ILLNESS & OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATION POLICY

AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, WE SEE MANY DIFFERENT ILLNESSES. HELP US MINIMIZE THE SPREAD BY:

- ◇ ALERTING SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION ASAP SO PARENT ALERTS CAN BE POSTED.
- ◇ TAKING HOME BEDDING TO BE WASHED WEEKLY OR AS NEEDED.
- ◇ KEEPING YOUR CHILD HOME IF HE/SHE IS RUNNING A FEVER OF 100.4 OR HIGHER UNTIL HE/SHE IS FEVER-FREE WITHOUT MEDICATION FOR A FULL 24 HOURS.
- ◇ HAVING NO INCIDENTS OF VOMITING AND/OR DIARRHEA FOR 24 HOURS PRIOR TO RETURNING.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE: TYLENOL AND MOTRIN MAY ONLY BE GIVEN TO YOUR CHILD BY THE SCHOOL IF A DOCTOR'S NOTE IS PROVIDED.\*\***

## NURSERY I

Hello everyone and welcome back from the holidays! We are glad to have everyone back and hopefully everyone had a safe and wonderful 2011.

January was a busy month! We celebrated Martin Luther King Day, Chinese New Year and Silly Hat Day. Did you like the handmade hats that we gave your little ones? Hopefully it can be a great keepsake.

Nursery I would like to welcome Dylan and Eleanora to our classroom. They are going to be new to our class in February. Also, we are going to miss Charlie and Faith who will be cruising along to Nursery II.

We are glad to see our babies back from the holidays! Nursery II will miss our teacher Ms. Aida who will be taking an indefinite medical leave of absence. She has worked at Cathedral House for over 20 years and we wish her a speedy recovery!

Nursery II had a wonderful month filled with activity and excitement. There was Martin Luther King Day, Silly Hat Day and Chinese New Year! In addition, we had to say goodbye to our friends Joel and Wyatt who have moved on to Movement I. Come and visit us because you will be missed dearly!

2012 has been off to a great start,  
This month we plan to make lots of heart art!  
We'll be learning the colors pink and red,  
And using our spoons to help us get fed.  
In addition, we are planning a party for Valentine's Day,  
And the rest of the month we'll mix learning with play.  
We welcomed new friends from Nursery II,  
And even Zola who is brand new!  
We said goodbye to Lakshmi, Kyle and soon Sarah  
and Paul,  
Who will join the MII gang right across the hall!

## NURSERY II



## MOVEMENT I



Pajama Day

## MOVEMENT II

Welcome Back Movement II! We are excited to see all of our friends back from the holidays safe and sound. Did everyone see the new changes to our classroom? We moved things around in our class to make it a new and exciting environment for the whole class! In our Practical Life area, we introduced a new nuts and bolts and open and close lesson. In our Language area, we have new puzzles that everyone was excited about! Also, the children got lessons on the parts of the body in Spanish! One of our friends, Charlotte, has left the school. We all were happy to make her a farewell sign and she will be missed dearly!

## TODDLER I

We were all excited to start 2012! The children were eager to start their daily routines! This month we talked about the holidays and heard stories from everyone about their time off. We heard about presents and vacations! How exciting!

Also, we have been working hard on the potty training as well. Sometimes, after an extended vacation, we need a little extra work to get everybody back on track. However, everyone is doing so well! Parents, thank you for all the patience and support throughout this process!

This month, we celebrated Martin Luther King Day, Chinese New Year with a special snack, artwork and a short story. We also enjoyed wearing our pajamas to school! EVERYDAY SHOULD BE PJ DAY!

We are also happy to welcome our friends Abigail and Robert to our class! Abigail is even a new big sister! Congratulations!

## TODDLER II

The new year started off with a bang as the children welcomed back their peers as well as their teachers. As the weeks went on, we worked on re-establishing our ground rules such as walking quietly, using inside voices, walking in line and rolling rugs. In keeping with our theme of Citizenship, we learned we are citizens of both a country and class and we need to follow the laws of the land and the classroom. As we rang in the lunar new year (the year of the dragon) with Ms. Julia, we found out that some cultures celebrate the New Year differently than we do. As we look into February, we look forward to learning and doing lots of fun new activities!

# PRIMARY I



Pajama Day



Making Snow



Silly Hat Day



Snowflake Art



Pri II shows off their silly hats & their big support for the Texans.



The children are working on the Living in harmony project. They color each person to signify that no matter how different we are we should all be treated fairly.



Jane is dissecting our Daily News sentences.

# PRIMARY II



Genevieve finishes her Chinese zodiac project.

# KINDERGARTEN

Happy New Year! Kindergarten started the New Year off with lots of new and exciting things. The children were introduced to telling time by the hour and half hour and Consonant Digraphs. The children sure are moving along nicely.

Some other things we did during this month is we celebrated hat day, Chinese New Year and also learned how to say Hello in the Chinese Language (Ni Hao). A special thank you goes out to Ms. Julia our Chinese teacher for sharing her knowledge with us.

The winter month also brought cold weather into our class with lots of snowflake art activities. These activities helped further develop creativeness, fine motor skills and eye/hand coordination.



# SPANISH CURRICULUM

## vocabulary ♥ VOCABULARIO ♥

CUPID	CUPIDO
heart	corazón
I LOVE YOU	Te quiero
Love	AMOR
ROSES	ROSAS
FLOWERS	Flores
candy	DUICE
Teddy Bear	osito
BOOTS	BOTAS
LAZZO	LAZO
hat	sombrero
BLUE JEANS	PANTALONES de mescalina
SKIRT	FALDA
cowboy	vaquero
horse	caballo
COW	vaca
FOOTBALL	BAJON
Team	equipo

## COLORS ♥ COLORES ♥

white	BIANCO
Red	ROJO
Pink	ROSA
purple	MORADO



## good morning song

### ♥ BUENOS DÍAS CANCIÓN ♥

TO THE TUNE OF FRERE JACQUES  
BUENOS DÍAS. BUENOS DÍAS.  
¿CÓMO ESTÁS? ¿CÓMO ESTÁS?  
MUY BIEN. GRACIAS.

## good afternoon song

### ♥ BUENAS TARDES ♥

TO THE TUNE OF FRERE JACQUES  
BUENAS TARDES. BUENAS TARDES.  
¿CÓMO ESTÁS? ¿CÓMO ESTÁS?  
MUY BIEN. GRACIAS.

## good night song

### ♥ BUENAS NOCHES ♥

TO THE TUNE OF FRERE JACQUES  
BUENAS NOCHES. BUENAS NOCHES.  
¿CÓMO ESTÁS? ¿CÓMO ESTÁS?  
MUY BIEN. GRACIAS.

## numbers

### ♥ NUMEROS ♥

ONE TO TWENTY  
UNO AL VEINTE



# February Birthdays



**Lauren B. ♡ February 1 ♡ 1 year old**

**sophia o. ♡ February 8 ♡ 3 years old**

**mischa w. ♡ February 9 ♡ 5 years old**

**Trey e. ♡ February 10 ♡ 4 years old**

**John e. ♡ February 14 ♡ 4 years old**

**Coen C. ♡ February 17 ♡ 2 years old**

**Cullen L. ♡ February 27 ♡ 1 year old**



# Staff Birthdays



**ms. Linda ♡ February 2 ♡ nursery I**

**ms. sandra ♡ February 11 ♡ Primary II**

**ms. sherri ♡ February 11 ♡ Kindergarten**

**ms. Kathy ♡ February 13 ♡ Primary II**

**ms. glenda ♡ February 19 ♡ nursery II**

**ms. Karen ♡ February 23 ♡ Primary I**

