



Ms. Mary Jo's Classroom News Letter ROOM 103

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Olmsted Early Education Program

February Fun!

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February brings another Winter month of unpredictable cold snowy weather! We have focused on outside changes that have taken place and seasonal fun! Following the holidays! We have made "insta-snow" for the kids to play with in the classroom. It is a soft powder and when water is added, it feels cold, soft and fluffy! It is a hit!

Our themes during the

month of February will evolve around kindness, love and friendship. Our shape for the month will be a "heart" and the color "pink".

The temple does not celebrate St. Valentine's Day, therefore we are unable to have a formal Valentine's Day celebration with our PALS friends. We will do something small among ourselves Thursday February 10, 2010.

Details to follow!



Kid Fest 2011

WNED is holding its **5th Annual Kid Fest 2011** on February 5-6 at WNED Studios (downtown Buffalo)!

Special Guests will include "The Cat In the Hat", "Sid the Science Kid", "Curious

George" and Wordgirl.

The focus will be on theater, art and music! **Tickets \$10 adults/\$7 age 1-12.**

Fun for the whole family!



REMINDERS:

February:
2/21-2/25/2011

NO SCHOOL

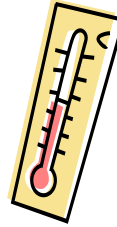
PRESIDENT'S WEEK

SCHOOL RESUMES
2/28/2011

Dress for the Season

Thank you parents for keeping up with a change of clothes for your child to keep here at school. We will send home each set of clothes at the end of the season to be replaced. Also keep in mind throughout the winter, we will continue to go outside, weather permit-

ting. We will let you know ahead of time when we need boots and snow pants. **Unfortunately, temperatures have been below normal for taking the kids outside so far.**



If your child has a spill or potty accident during school and we need

to use their spare set of clothes, please remember to wash and replace their extra set of clothes for school. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter. We want your child to be as comfortable as possible throughout their school day!

LET'S CELEBRATE !

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



**Miss Shannon
2-14**

Keeping Your Child Healthy

We have a long flu and cold season ahead of us! Please watch your child carefully for symptoms of illness!

Simple rules of thumb that we follow are:

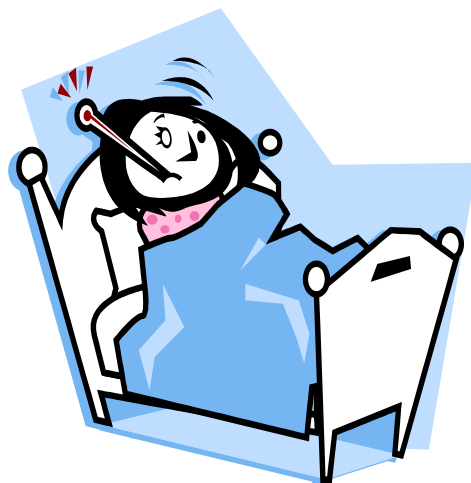
- wash our hands often
- use hand sanitizer between hand washing
- disinfect our toys regularly
- teach kids to sneeze into their elbow sleeve
- offer healthy snacks and drinks with vitamin C
- Plenty of fluids, plenty of rest

Health (con't)

Please help us by keeping your child home if they experience a fever (100 degrees or higher), productive cough, vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours!

Thank you for your understanding and coopera-

tion, we want to provide a healthy safe environment for every child. Some of our children have compromised immune systems and other health problems so we must practice caution during these peak months.



Ideas for Activities at Home

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look for <u>red</u>, <u>orange</u>, <u>brown</u>, <u>green</u>, <u>blue</u>, or <u>pink</u> foods or labels at the grocery store. • Find something <u>red</u>, <u>orange</u>, <u>brown</u>, <u>green</u>, <u>blue</u>, or <u>pink</u> in each | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> room of the house. • What shapes do you see outside of school? • Sort toys by size large, medium and small. • Read <u>Groundhog, Valentine</u> and stories about | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the <u>Dentist!</u> • Play with shaving cream in the bathtub • Bake <u>"HEART"</u> shaped cookies • Count daily mail |
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AMC Sensory Movie Event

Movie: "Gnomes and Juliet"
When: February 12, 2011
Place: AMC Theaters Maple Ridge
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Cost: \$4.50-\$6.00
 Monthly "Sensory Friendly

Movies" now showing at the AMC theaters! AMC theaters teamed up the Autism Society to provide movies once a month in a safe and accepting environment to families with individuals with disabili-

ties. They will turn the lights up and turn the sound down, there will be no previews or advertisements, you can move around, dance in the isles, sing or shout! Families can bring in your own

Books and Babies!

"gluten-free" and "casein-free" snacks.

Whether movies have been a challenge or if it is a new experience for your little one, this may be a nice alternative to enjoying a movie. Have Fun!



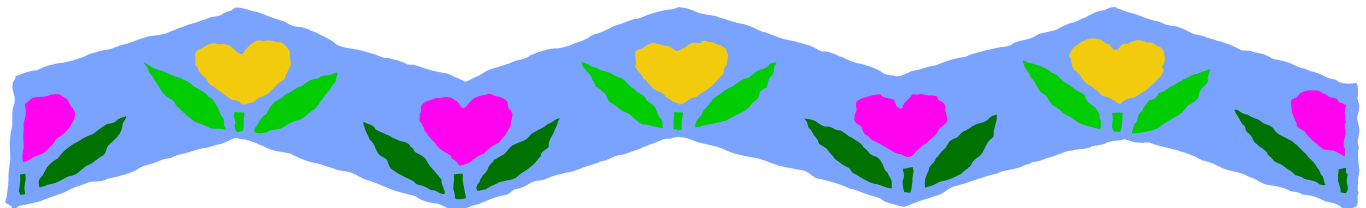
Scholastic book club

forms will be coming home monthly. It is a nice way to build up a few favorite books for your child at home or to give for a birthday gift as well as a holiday or birthday gift at great prices. Even if there is one favorite book they like you to read to them that is wonderful time spent one on one with your child! So please *read, read, read!!*



CONGRATULATIONS

to our speech therapist Christina and her husband Joe on the birth their first child! It's a BOY! He was born on January 26, 2011 at 7:31 am. Weighing in at 9lbs 13oz and 21 inches in length! Mom and baby are doing well!



See you in March!