



PHCP January News

News from the Director

As we enter 2021 we hope everyone enjoyed time with their family over the break! It's hard to believe that we have begun registering for the 2021-22 school year. Thank you to all who have already returned their registrations! Our community registration begins this Friday, January 15th. Some of our classes are beginning to fill up. If you are planning to be with us next year, please return your form as soon as possible.

In January the children will learn about winter, animals, hibernation, snow, the weather cycle, outer space and penguins. The children love learning about the world around them. What skills do you think your children will need for the future? Yes, they will need a foundation in science, technology, engineering, and math, in addition to all the language arts skills. However, there are skills that kids will need, no matter what field of study they go into. Research shows employers prefer workers who know how to problem-solve, be creative, work collaboratively, and communicate well. Fortunately children at this age love learning to do all these things.

Whenever your child goes into the workforce to apply for a job, being able to think critically and solve problems will be essential. Being able to answer higher-level questions and think through all sides of an issue will be important. It becomes more about how we teach and not what we teach. This can be done at home and at school. If your child asks a question, put it back on him or her and ask them the question. Then explore different answers with them. Take time to help your child discover the solution rather than just telling them the information. Give your child opportunities to learn through discovery. Sometimes objects at home such as pots and pans are the best toys. Filling things, emptying, sorting, and building with materials will help your child learn about spatial relations while having fun. Asking your child questions and elaborating on their thinking helps them to become their own critical thinker.

Thank you again for partnering with us to develop children who are problem solvers and lifelong learners!

God's Blessings,
Christine Jenne



Important Dates

- January 15** - Community Registration Opens
- January 18** - NO SCHOOL—MLK Holiday
- January 19**—Scholastic book orders due
- January 21/22** — Spirit Days

Welcome!

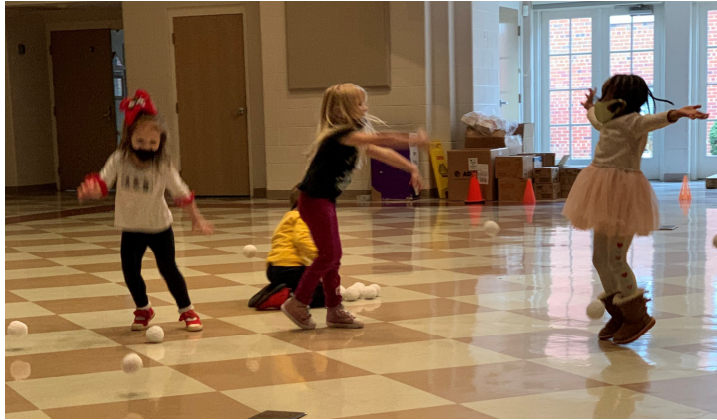
Alexandra Shirley Kellogg
Born 1/3/2021

Big sister Blaire is in the Bears class



Moms Connect

We are continuing our study called "Matchless." We would love to have you join us! We meet twice a month virtually! E-mail Allison Bryant at Allison.k.bryant@icloud.com for more information.



Chapel

Fruit of the Spirit
January—Kindness
December—Patience
November—Peace
October—Joy
September—Love



This month we will learn about Jesus as a boy and how he grew into a very special man and began his earthly ministry.

"Jesus grew tall and wise"

Parent Group News



Happy New Year!

I hope you had a wonderful and relaxing holiday and break! Thank you again for your support on the greenery fundraiser. I hope everyone enjoyed their orders and it made your holiday feel a little more festive! I am looking forward to what God has in store for all of us in 2021.

In celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday on Monday, January 18th, instead of a day of service to support our community, we will be kicking off our Clean Supply Donation Drive on Tuesday, January 19th! All donations will benefit New Hope Housing. New Hope Housing is a non-profit organization based in Alexandria that provides services to homeless men, women and children. Their mission is to set up each individual and/or family to help them get the services they need to change their lives and succeed. Each success story adds to a stronger and healthier community for all! They provide Welcome Home baskets to families that are transitioning from shelters to more permanent housing. Welcome Home baskets include basic items you would need to clean a new home. We will be collecting anything you can use to clean a home. Some ideas are sponges, paper towels, bleach wipes, all purpose cleaner, dish soap, hand soap, hand sanitizer, toilet brushes, toilet bowl cleaner, mops, brooms, etc.. If you would rather give a monetary donation those can be accepted in the form of gift cards to Amazon, Target, Walmart and local grocery stores. We hope to spread God's love and celebrate the life of MLK with a donation to New Hope to assist their residents in the coming months! You can drop off donations at PHCP at drop-off or pick-up between Tuesday, January 19th through Monday, February 1st.

We will be planning a few restaurant nights throughout the spring and will communicate those dates in next month's newsletter.

We will be planning a fun and exciting week to celebrate our teachers in March. Mark your calendars for teacher appreciation week, March 15th to March 19th. I am also excited to begin planning the Spring Spectacular! We are not exactly sure what we will be able to do yet, but we will have a Silent Auction to benefit the preschool. More details and the date to come on that soon!

I will host our next parent group meeting virtually, via Zoom on Friday, January 22nd. Please send me an email if you would like to participate and I will send you the information for Zoom. My email is allison.k.bryant@icloud.com. I will also post on the Parent Group Facebook page next week!

I hope everyone has a wonderful week and holiday weekend!

Many blessings,

Allison Bryant

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