



PHCP January News



News from the Director

Welcome back to school! It was so wonderful to see so many of you at our Christmas program in December. I was so proud of all of the children. I think they all did an amazing job with their singing and speaking parts. It is a special preschool memory that I know many of us missed during the COVID years.

It's hard to believe that we are already planning ahead to next year! Thank you to everyone who has already turned in their registration forms. Please turn in your forms soon to make sure that you are able to get your first choice for your child's schedule next year. Community registration opens up on Friday, January 13th. If you know of any new families moving to the area or if you have neighbors with preschool age children please encourage them to contact me about a tour or program information!

Over the past week I've noticed a lot of social posts from my friends on social media reviewing the books that they have read over the past year. I love adding books to my list and talking about books with friends. Reading is the one of the most important things that we can do with our children during the early childhood years. Reading helps build language skills, literacy and brain development. Reading also creates opportunities for bonding with our children. My boys have started listening to audio books. I have noticed that they have been turning on an audio book in their room or while they are building with Legos. I often use books to address concepts about death, friendship, inclusion, and feelings. I find that books are a helpful tool to guide discussions with my boys. I'm always happy to share book ideas if you need any suggestions. Reading during these early years will hopefully develop a lifelong love for reading. These cold winter months seem like a great time to teach kids how fun it can be to cozy up with a good book!

I am excited to be back at school and moving into the second half of our school year! Happy New Year!

Many Blessings,
Sarah



Welcome!

**Max Emanuel Adam
and Elliott Paul Adam**

Born 10/8/2022

Big brother Ethan is in the Bears class



Important Dates

- January 13** - Community Registration Opens
- January 16** - NO SCHOOL—MLK Holiday
- January 17**—Scholastic book orders due
- January 19/20** — Spirit Days
- January 20**-Parent Group Meeting—No Stay and Play
- January 26**—McAlister's Restaurant Fundraiser
- January 26/27**-No School



Parent Group News

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas!

Thank you to those of you who ordered greenery from our fundraiser! We raised a little over \$100 for the Parent Group and the activities we support.

We have McAllister's Day planned for Thursday, January 26th from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm. McAllister's is so generous and gives 20% of the purchases from PHCP family and friends back to our school. This is a great way to grab a quick lunch or dinner while supporting PHCP.

While we don't have any planned events for the month of January, it is never too late to start looking ahead to the spring. I will be hosting a Parent Group meeting on Friday, January 20th after drop off. I am looking for volunteers to be on the Spring Spectacular Committee. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please send me an email to phcpparentgroup@gmail.com. Volunteer roles will include coordinating games, crafts, activities, food, volunteers and the silent auction. If you want to volunteer but cannot attend the meeting, please let me know. I would be happy to set up a Zoom and talk for 10-15 minutes in the evening or whenever is convenient for you. The Spring Spectacular is the parent group's largest event and fundraiser of the year. We are looking at dates in April and May and will have a date identified soon.

Additionally, my family's time at PHCP is coming to an end and I am looking for leaders for the parent group. If you are interested or just want to learn more, please reach out to me. If we can identify someone soon, I can show you the ropes so you can be set up for success for the 2023-2024 school year. I have enjoyed the time I have spent leading the parent group. It has been a truly rewarding experience.

I hope you all had a blessed holiday season! Happy New Year!

Many blessings,



Allison Bryant
Parent Group Chair



Teacher Appreciation Week 2023
February 13-17
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