

# February 2024 Newsletter



February is Black History Month, also known as African Heritage Month. Black History Month is a time to celebrate and highlight the best of Black History and culture, and to honour the ancestors and upcoming leaders of Black communities, their accomplishments, and their continued fight for liberation. Little Scholars prides itself on being an inclusive environment, and we acknowledge the important contributions made to our center by those families who are part of this community. Thank you!

## Birthdays in February



**\*All center birthdays will be celebrated on February 23<sup>rd</sup> \***

Ann – Feb. 4th

Ojas – Feb. 5th

Kaviah – Feb 9th

Liliana – Feb 15th

Ela – Feb. 20th

Nora R. – Feb. 21st

Ben – Feb 27th

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Along with our regularly scheduled extracurriculars (Music, Dance and French), we will also celebrate:

**All Month:** Celebrating Black History Month

**Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Ground Hog Day

**Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Pajama Day

**Feb 8<sup>th</sup>:** Jersey Day

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>:** Chinese New Years

**Feb 12<sup>th</sup>:** Dinosaur Day

**Feb 13<sup>th</sup>:** Pancake Tuesday Breakfast

**Feb 14<sup>th</sup>:** Valentine's Day- Wear Red, Pink, and White!

**Feb 19<sup>th</sup>:** Closed for Family Day

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup>:** Pizza Day

**Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Meme Day

**Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Celebrating ALL Center Birthdays

**Feb 28<sup>th</sup>:** Wear Pink for Anti Bullying Day

**Feb 29<sup>th</sup>:** Leap Year



Congratulations to our staff of the month, Brooklyn! Thank you so much for all your hard work in the Infant Room! Your class is lucky to have you!

## Picture Days

Little Scholars will be hosting picture days on February 27 and 28 from 9am-12pm. Each child will get the chance for individual photos, sibling photos, grad photos (if they are going to JK this year) and class photos. Infant and Toddler pictures will be taken on Tuesday and Preschool pictures will be taken on Tuesday. If your child is part time, please have them ready for Tuesday or Wednesday regardless of what class they are in.

For these days to run smoothly and efficiently, please ensure that you try to have your children at the center by **9 AM**.



Just as a reminder, the center will be closed on **Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** for Family Day. Have a safe and happy long weekend!



## Pizza Day

Mark your calendars! As a special treat, Little Scholars will be having a Pizza Party lunch on **Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>!**

## Pink Shirt Day

What is the purpose of Pink Shirt Day? Pink Shirt Day is an antibullying campaign that celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued, and respected. Each year, workplaces, schools, organizations, and individuals join the movement to make a stand against bullying. And so, we encourage everyone to wear a pink shirt February 28.

## Happy Family Day!

Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> is Family Day! Here's a few ideas of ways to celebrate Family Day safely at home:

1. Bake together! Whip up some delicious treats and don't worry if it gets messy- that's half the fun!
2. Go play in the snow! Channel your inner Elsa and try building a snowman family or grab your sleds and hit the closest hills! Come home and share some hot chocolate to warm up!
3. Have a movie day! Build a blanket fort and pop some popcorn to curl up in front of your favourite movie!

## Chinese New Years!



It's time for us to say goodbye to the year of the Rabbit and to say hello to the Year of the Dragon. To those who celebrate, Happy Lunar New Years!



## Pancake Tuesday Breakfast

We will be hosting a pancake breakfast on **Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please plan to stop by your child's class between 7am-9am for some fresh pancakes!!! If you don't have time to stop, please grab a coffee from the hall to go on your way out!



## Valentine's Treats

We know that Valentine's is a wonderful opportunity to share treats and gifts with the class and the children get so excited for the day! As a note: Families are **allowed** to bring in treats if they are **PREMADE** and are marked as **NUT FREE**. The classes will be sending out class lists within the first week of February!