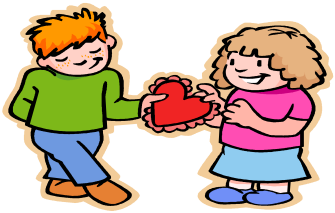

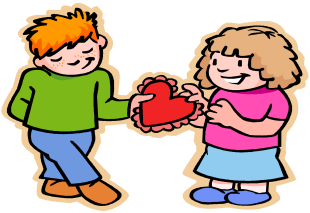

FAIRFAX ACADEMY

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Plan Ahead:

Please see the monthly calendar for activities. All activities are subject to change.

February 12th Valentine's Day Parties **(ALL ROOMS)**
February 15th **SCHOOL CLOSED:** President's Day

April 2nd **SCHOOL CLOSED:** Good Friday

May 31st **SCHOOL CLOSED:** Memorial Day

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES!!

Valentine's Day Class Parties are on **Friday, February 12, 2021** this year. A sign-up sheet for party treats is posted in the intercom room. We suggest some of the following items: **cream cheese and celery sticks, fruit, raisins, veggie trays and dips, Jell-O, cheese and crackers.** Please bring the goodies with you in the morning the day of the party. Have them in a **disposable container** with **your child's name and room number on it.** The children will also be exchanging Valentine cards in their rooms. Your child may bring in a box (around 25 counts or less for smaller rooms) of cards with your child's name on the back of each card for exchanging with their classmates. The outside of the envelope does not need to be "addressed".

Foods that should be avoided: nuts, grapes, hard candy, peanut butter, popcorn for 2 year olds, microwave popcorn and cherries.

SHOW AND TELL:

Please do not allow your child/children to bring Show and Tell items to school on days other than Mondays (Tuesday, if Monday is a holiday). Books and music may be brought in any day of the week. Remember to label all items with your child's name.

CURRENT DATA:

It is State Law that we be able to contact you at all times. Let us know when you will be at a different number for any given amount of time. Make sure you let us know of any changes (i.e. address, home/work numbers) as soon as they occur.

INCLEMENT WEATHER & SCHOOL CLOSING:

Just a reminder if the Federal Government should happen to have a (1) or (2) hour late opening than the school which normally opens at 6:30am will open late. The same policy goes for if the Federal Government should close early, we as a school will close early.

We do not close for snow days UNLESS the Federal Government closes (this does not mean Liberal or Unscheduled leave). To alleviate some unnecessary phone calls to the school, please remember: (A) We do not follow any county school closings, (B) Liberal/Unscheduled Leaves means, Federal Government is still open but Federal employees can decide whether or not to report to work and (C) Check Federal Government website, www.opm.gov. We follow United States Federal Government; please listen to your local television, radio WTOP 103.5 FM stations.

Please do not allow your child/children to wear **SNOW BOOTS** or **SNOW SUITS** to school. The children do not go outside in bad weather. However, the children do still go outside for recess should the weather permit it.

HEALTH INFORMATION:

We are required to keep your child's immunization record up to date. If your child has had any new immunizations since their start date, please inform the office of those dates. If they have had a yearly physical, we will need that information as well. If you have any questions, please see someone in the office.

If your child becomes ill or has a contagious disease it should be reported to the main office as soon as possible. If your child has a contagious disease, we need to have a doctor's note stating when the child can return back to school. Remember, as stated in the Student/Parent Handbook, if your child is sent home due to a fever, diarrhea, etc. the policy states that your child has to be symptom-free and out of school for 24-hours.

EXTRA CLOTHES:

Please remember that when your child has an accident at school, they need to have an extra change of clothes to wear. Please send in a clean set of clothes with your child the next day to replace the set they used.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS:

As a reminder, please turn off your car engine when parking. Also, please make sure you pull your car up all the way to the yellow bumpers.

BIRTHDAY GOODY BAGS:

To avoid choking hazards in goody bags please do not send gum balls, hard candy, deflated balloons, nuts and peanut butter etc. for preschool aged children.

OPEN DOOR POLICIES:

Attention Parents: While Fairfax Academy enjoys an "open door policy," DO NOT engage in impromptu conferences with the classroom teachers. Your acknowledgement of the student/parent handbook is your agreement to abide with this policy (Rules and Regulation #32). When a teacher engages in a conference it results in a direct violation of Part V Section 22 VAC 15-30-430 Supervision of Children. It states, "when staff are supervising children, they shall always ensure their care, protection and guidance". If you need to speak to your child's teacher, please see someone in the office so that they may relieve the teacher of classroom duties.

SCHOOL REFERRALS:

Whenever you refer a new family to the school and they register you will receive a $50.00 school credit. The "registering" family has to let us know in writing who referred them to our school.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL:

Our business number is (703)-671-5555. We can also be reached on our FAX number (703)-671-5558 or at our website www.thefairfaxacademy.com or emails

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We would like to wish everyone who has a **FEBRUARY** birthday **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**.

Happy Birthday to February Staff:

Misbah Masood	2 – 22
Vanessa DeLeon	2 – 23