



February Newsletter



January was a great month of learning and fun. We have started working on writing names. The children have been tracing their name cards during circle time and writing their names on their papers. We are working on proper grip and using lowercase letters after the initial capital letter. It is important to learn the correct form from the beginning so muscle memory sets in. The handwriting will start out weak and light in color but will develop strength over time. However, it should not be a stressful experience, so please encourage correct grip at home, but it does not have to be perfect.

We are looking forward to another fun class party for Valentine's Day. Prior to our celebration, the children will be making bags to collect valentines. On February 13th, please send your child with 6 Valentines addressed to: Anthony, Callum, Daniel, Daulton, Grace and Isaac. I request that the children use this as an opportunity to practice writing for a purpose. Please plan ahead and allow time for the children to address the valentines themselves. You may use dotted letters or lightly written letters for them to trace. On the party day, the children will match the names they wrote to the names on the decorated bags. A Sign Up Genius to contribute to the Valentine's Day Party will be coming soon.

Our whole school activity for this month is Pajama Day. On February 25, please send your child to school in pajamas and sneakers. They will be serving themselves cereal and eating breakfast while Mrs. Walker reads stories to them. It will be a comfy, fun way to spend time with other children at Step By Step. I will include the needed supplies in the sign-up for Valentine's Day, so we can kill two birds with one stone.

Last but not least, thank you for coming in for conferences to discuss your child's progress so far. Please contact me any time if you have any additional questions.

Important Dates:

- 2/5 → Dance studio
- 2/6 → Valentine Delivery and Songs for Church Lunch Bunch
- 2/11 → Chapel
- 2/13 → Valentine's Day Party
- 2/20 → Chick-fil-A fundraiser
- 2/25 → Pajama Day – wear PJs and sneakers

Growth Mindset Quote for Kids:

"Just because you haven't found your talent yet doesn't mean you don't have one." Kermit the Frog

Growth Mindset Quote for Adults

"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass...It's about learning to dance in the rain." Vivian Greene