



February Newsletter



January was a great month of learning and fun. The white boards have been a huge success. The children LOVE using them, and they are starting to be able to write the letters from their minds without the help of dotted lines. For some, it was frustrating at first, but each is learning to accept that perfection doesn't happen on the first try and continued practice pays off.

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 15 Valentines addressed to: Anna, Ben, Carson, Claire, Eleanor, Harrison, Julian, Lacey, Lucas, Mia, Murphy, Oliver, Peyton, Ryan, and Zoey. 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. Most of the children are able to copy names; however, you could also dot the letters to trace. On the party day, the children will match the names they wrote to the names on the decorated bags.

Our whole school activity for this month is Pajama Day. On February 26, 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. Our class does a great job of modeling appropriate behavior and independence for our younger community members.

Finally, thank you for making time to come in and discuss your child's progress during conferences. Kindergarten is on the horizon, and although there are several months before September, registration has begun for many townships. Please check your township's website for helpful information.

Important Dates:

- 2/5 → Dance studio
- 2/13 → Valentine's Day Party
- 2/20 → Dance studio
- 2/20 → Chick-fil-A fundraiser
- 2/26 → Pajama Day - wear PJs
and sneakers
- This month's chapel → TBD

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