



February



2018

Happy Valentine's Day - February 14th



Lincoln



Washington

Holiday: School will be closed on Monday, February 19th
In honor of President's Day



Spelling Bee Winners

Congratulations to all our clever spellers!

1st Grade

- 1st Place - Kayleigh Cam
- 2nd Place - Saida Samatov
- 3rd Place - Olivia Lau

2nd Grade

- 1st Place - Ryan Winslow
- 2nd Place - Jonathan Fuentes
- 3rd Place - Grace Situ

3rd Grade

- 1st Place - Heena Patel
- 2nd Place - Quentin Chiu
- 3rd Place - Kayla Muramatsu

4th Grade

- 1st Place - Addison Hitchcock
- 2nd Place - Temour Samatov
- 3rd Place - Kathleen Casey

5th Grade

- 1st Place - Chris Stephens
- 2nd Place - Roman Adomitis
- 3rd Place - Brianna Parkinson

Great Job Students!

Gong Hay Fat Choy!

Fri, 16th - Year of the Dog.

*A very happy Lunar New year!
Children born under this sign
are honest, friendly, faithful,
loyal, smart, straightforward,
venerable & have a strong
sense of responsibility.*



SCHOOL PICTURES - Thursday, 15th and Friday, 16th

- Thursday, 15th - Preschool individual pictures and all class group pictures
- Friday, 16th - Elementary (TK - 5th Grade) individual pictures



SCIENCE FAIR - Friday, 2nd

Transition Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Our students have been very busy in the month of January picking out experiments, and getting ready for the Science Fair. It is your turn to witness our young scientists in action! The first session is from **3:30 - 4:30 p.m.** and the second from **4:45 - 5:45 p.m.** Check class schedules posted so that you can be seated on time. All students will receive participation ribbons & 1st, 2nd & 3rd place ribbons will be awarded to the winners. Science Fair 1st place winners will also receive a Science Medallion & certificate. *Judging will take place in the morning; students please make sure you are in school on time.*

VALENTINE'S DAY - Wednesday, 14th

Students may bring Valentine cards & goodies to be distributed to friends at school. The Butterflies and Dragonflies, students in Classrooms #2 & #4, will be walking to the mail box on Friday, 9th, to mail their Valentines.

A HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY EVERYONE!



POETRY MONTH

Elementary students get your creative minds in gear... enter your best Couplet, Cinquain, Haiku, Limerick or freestyle Poem in Oneonta Montessori's annual Poetry Contest. The judges will choose poems that have good content, flow, and abide by the structure and rules. The Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, February 21st! Good Luck students, let your imagination soar!

SPORTS DAY TEAM ASSIGNMENTS - ELEMENTARY

All new students in the elementary school including the TK & Kindergartners will be assigned a sports team. Students learn the value of good sportsmanship and friendly rivalry as they compete for their respective teams. Last year the students had a blast as they represented their teams in relays as well as in individual events on Sports Day. This year Sports Day is going to be on Thursday, June 7th. Team shirts must be purchased for \$5.00 & worn on Fridays. Practices will commence shortly, so get ready to have loads of fun!

PENNIES FOR PATIENTS - FEBRUARY 1st - February 23rd

Let's work together to help find a cure for Leukemia, the #1 childhood illness in the USA. The children will have an opportunity to help by collecting spare change to put into the collection boxes in their classrooms. We are participating in memory of our beloved, Jasmine Macias, a 2nd grader, who passed away 8 years ago due to this illness. Thank you for your compassionate support.

SAY CHEESE!



Classroom # 1 – Ladybugs

Our little lady bus will be learning about amphibians, types of leaves, & Africa, its landmarks and animals. We will learn about the weather and the famous groundhog prediction; will we have an early Spring? We will be discussing friendship and have a Valentine's Day snack party. The Presidents will be remembered on President's Day. For Black History month we will take time to remember amazing people and the contributions they have made. We are excited about the Year of The Dog for the Lunar New Year. Happy Valentine's Day!

Class # 2 – Dragonflies

With Valentine's Day right around the corner, the children will learn the importance of friendship and caring for one another through group games, stories and educational activities. February is also an important month as we recognize President's Day and acknowledge George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. The children will gain an opportunity to learn about these two presidents by visiting the school library and create fun projects to display. For math, we will learn the place value of money. For Geography, our Dragonflies will take a tour of Asia/Africa. Children will learn about their culture and where to locate it on the Map.

Classroom # 3 – Honey Bees

LOVE is in the AIR! The sweet Honeybeezzz are sharing their friendship and kindness a little extra this month. We will start our month off by decorating cupid hearts. In History we will make our little ones aware of two of our greatest presidents; Abraham Lincoln and George Washington with stories and photos along with a hands on project. We will learn about amphibians by gluing the different parts on our own frog and learning the names. A very happy Valentine's Day to all!

Classroom # 4- Butterflies

February has arrived with much love and learning! Be on the lookout, the Butterflies are sending some very special messages your way as we celebrate the gift of love; we can't wait to take a walk to the mailing center. It's also a month of kindness, paying it forward is the name of the game as we learn to count our pennies for our Pennies to Patients Drive. Do you know which Presidents are featured on US currency? Finding out for ourselves will all be part of the fun as we learn about money. Black History Month is our big theme for February. We are looking forward to learning about and acknowledging the contributions of great African Americans throughout history. Finally, don't forget about our furry friend, the groundhog; we will look for our shadows right along with him for a fun science activity this month!

Classroom # 5 – Ms. Vangie

February brings lots of love for learning new things. We are busy getting ready for our Science Fair; our first public speaking event with our partners. Poetry writing in the form of Haikus, Cinquains, and more will keep our future poets busy expressing their thoughts and feelings in their poems. Language lessons are on subject- verb agreement, types of sentences, and literature reading. Math: fractions, problem solving & measurement: (inches and centimeters). Cultural Arts lessons: CNC on clothing, parts of a leaf & bird. Geography lessons: Continent of N America for 1st grade and Asia for 2nd grade.

Classroom # 6 – Ms. Marie

We are smitten over this month's learning! We start off by learning about President's Day and those that have influenced society for Black History month. Our zoologists will explore amphibians and birds. In botany we will be learning about fruits and parts of a leaf. Our geologists will be studying N America and Asia; their maps, flags, animals and landscapes. 1st graders will learn about US states, capitals, and fun facts. We will also be reading "Pocket Poems" while learning about different styles of poems. In math, first graders will keep refining their dynamic math while learning multiplication, and kinder will continue to expand simple static math and dip into dynamic math.

Classroom # 7 – Ms. Blossom

Our love for poetry grows. Our aspiring poets are ready to express their thoughts and feelings in creating their own poems. In language, we are learning to construct sentences using correct subject-verb agreement, homographs and contractions. In math, we will continue to master multiplication and division with remainders. We can't wait to write about our predictions for Groundhog's Day, Lunar New Year celebration and talk about what we can do if given the chance to be the president. This month is the shortest but the busiest one indeed. Love reigns!

Classroom # 8 – Ms. Sue/Esther

We have an exciting month planned starting with our Science Fair that we have all practiced for. We will be learning about our past presidents and as this month is Black History month, famous African Americans and their contributions. Next, we will be learning all about fruits and their health benefits. For geography, we are traveling to Asia and learning about the people, customs, and famous landmarks. We will also be discovering Asian animals and their habitats. This month we will discuss love and friendship. We will be exchanging Valentine's in class on Wednesday, 14th; healthy snacks are welcome! A very Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Ms Ernamarie & Ms Mary Ann - Class # 9

The busiest and yet the sweetest month - Welcome February! Room 9 students are not only going to be promising and clever scientists but also gifted poets during this lovely month. Students will devote their time to poetry writing, learning the art and responding to prompts and reading logs. New and interesting countries to explore in geography and great men and women to discuss and honor in history. More drill sheets and quizzes in math and geometry will keep our youngsters engrossed and very busy at school this month.