



NOTE FROM YOUR TEACHERS AND MS AMY

We enjoyed meeting with you this week for Parent Teacher Conferences! We hope that our time with you was beneficial and that we were able to provide you with some valuable information to help you know how your child is progressing, and what skills you can help them with at home.

Here are some follow-up items from PTC:

- All assessments will be handed out at the end of the year so that we can use them to continue tracking the progress on our students.
- We had several families ask us what more they could be doing at home. Here are some ideas for you:
 1. Read! The most important thing you can do to help your child learn to read.. is read to them! Occasionally choose a non-fiction book to read together! (Books about real things, one that includes facts and actual pictures!) These types of books help improve vocabulary and comprehension faster than story books! (Although both are important!)
 2. Visit our "[Parent Corner!](#)" We have links for teacher-recommended apps that go along with our curriculum at preschool!
 3. Our older 4/5-year-olds that show interest in reading could use our sight word flash cards at home! They are also on the [Parent Corner](#).

We are so excited about the progress of all our students so far this year! We want to remind you that academics are just a small portion of what we focus on at preschool. The social aspect of being a contributing member of a class is just as important to us. Improvement in social/emotional development and work habits is not as easily measured on paper.

Thank you so much for all your wonderful feedback. We sincerely enjoy teaching your children and appreciate all your kind comments! If you have a few minutes it would mean so much to us if you left a positive review about our preschool here:

[Little Learners Preschool](#)

[Little Learners on Facebook](#)

Don't forget about our great referral program- you get a \$20 account credit for anyone you send our way that registers! And, they get a \$20 credit too because they know you! Tell them to use the promo code "careenough2share" when they sign up!

Once again, thank you for taking the time to meet with us and giving us the opportunity to work with your children! We really enjoyed visiting with you about your preschooler!

Ms Amy and the Little Learners Teaching Staff

CLASS THEME

We will be celebrating the holidays of Ground Hog Day, Valentine's Day, Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays and Valentine's Day. Please feel free to bring a Valentine to exchange during class (plan 12). We also request that you ONLY fill in the FROM portion of your Valentine to make distributing easier.

FEB 1-2: Exploring Colors, wear PINK day!

- Uppercase and Lowercase A&C 2/1
- Uppercase and Lowercase B 2/2

FEB 8-9: Exploring Colors, wear PURPLE day!

- Uppercase and Lowercase A&C 2/8
- Uppercase and Lowercase B 2/9

FEB 10: BOOK ORDERS DUE

FEB 13-14: VALENTINE'S PARTIES

FEB 13-16: BRING A TEDDY BEAR WEEK

FEB 15-16: VISIT FROM A FIREMAN

FEB 17: GROCERY STORE FIELD TRIPS – UPPERCASE ONLY

FEB 20: NO SCHOOL – PRESIDENTS DAY

SKILL OF FOCUS

LOWERCASE

This month we will focus on the alphabet letters E, F U and T, and their sounds. Alphabet letters are not taught in alphabetical order, but in order of ease of identification according to shape and sound. We will be continuing our numbers by introducing numbers 7 and 8. We will begin blending letter sounds in March. Letter writing, particularly their names, will continue to be worked on this month. Small motor skill exercises will be emphasized to help them with cutting and handwriting. They are all coming along very well with these things! I'm so very proud of all of our Lowercase students.

UPPERCASE

We will be placing more emphasis on beginning and ending sounds, rhyming words, blends, digraphs, sight words, recognizing which pile has the most, and focusing on non-standard measuring as well as counting to twenty. We will be focusing on the alphabet letters V, X, W, Y, and Z as well as the numbers 18, 19 and 20. Just a reminder that the readers that are sent home with your child on the 1st class of the week and need to be returned by Friday, to continue with this I need to have all books in by Friday so that your child can receive the next level of the book. When the books are not returned by Friday it causes others to not get the next book that they need. Let's all try and make an effort to improve on this.

PARENT TIP OF THE MONTH

Proudly display your child's art and craftwork. Ask your child questions about the papers she or he brings home. Point out addresses and street signs. Have your child help you open mail or stick stamps on mail you send out. Ask your child to tell you the beginning sounds of words they often use. Can your child name other words that start with the same sound? Have your child count any small groups of objects you happen to be working with, i.e., forks, spoons, cups, napkins, pillows, cookies, or crackers. These are concepts they have been learning in class and it will be helpful for them if you reiterate them at home.



Feb 1-14 FOOD DRIVE

Help us eliminate childhood hunger within the Murray community by donating to our Hearts for Hunger Food Drive. Our donations will be dropped directly to the Murray Children's Pantry which provides direct assistance to our neighbors in need.

Murray Children's Pantry is a source of support built by the community, for the community. To find out more information about what they are doing to make a difference check out their website at <https://www.murraychildrenspantry.org/donate25107794>. Show us how BIG YOUR HEART is!!

Each Genre at the studio is going to focus on collecting a certain item.

- Preschool Age Students: Oatmeal Packets
- STAR Students: Cans of Chicken or Tuna Fish
- Hip Hop and Boys Club Students: Packets of Ramen
- Tumbling Students: Canned Fruit or Vegetables
- Company Students: Jars of Peanut Butter



FIRST AID FUNDRAISER

Studio 56 Dance Center has partnered with Right Response First Aid Kits for a Fundraiser for you to earn funds on your account towards concert and tuition! Here's how it works:

- [CLICK HERE](#) for all the details
- Orders for first aid kits can be placed between now and Feb 9, 2022 here: <https://forms.gle/drV6VrwkdKhcaK2n8>
- DO NOT share this form with your clients, this form will be submitted ONE time by the participating student
- You will receive a confirmation email when your order is complete
- Need more than 20 kits of one kind? Please submit a second form.
- We will be closing the online order form Thursday, February at 6 pm
- Sell to family members, co-workers, friends, & neighbors! There is also a section of OSHA-approved First Aid Kits that are perfect for businesses!



Sat. Feb. 4: Don't miss out on the chance to twirl your little lady on the dance floor! Fathers, grandfathers, and uncles are invited to spend a magical evening with their little princess. Don't forget to dress to impress for the photo booth!

- Ballroom class!
- Dessert station!
- Photo Booth!

\$30 per couple

\$5 for additional daughters (email office to add on a sibling)

Pre-registration is required

Sign up here: Go to the [parent portal](#), select enroll in a class, pick the Workshop/Special Event season, and follow the prompts.

TIME TO ORDER NEW BOOKS!

Today a reader, tomorrow a leader!

We are excited to offer our Little Learners Preschool families Scholastic book orders! Not only is it an easy and economical way to buy books for your children, but also if you purchase your books this way through Scholastic, our school can earn credit for books, so we can supplement our lending library and school library.

HOW TO ORDER:

Order online at <https://orders.scholastic.com/K4VKN> using our activation code K4VKN.

Please post your order right online and the books will be mailed to the school and sent home with students.

This order will be due by February 10th by 12noon.

Here are a few suggestions of books that we are going to be featuring in class over the next couple of months.

- "Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse!"
- "You are Loved"
- "How Do Dinosaurs Learn to be Kind?"

MOVEMENT CLASS- FEBRUARY THEME

In February our theme is "Me and My Teddy." Each class will be focused on spreading kindness and joy. This month we are focusing on: hopping on one foot, developing rhythm, waiting our turn, Boogie, Twist & Rock'n roll, Tendu, Saute jumps. We hope you can find time to review these elements with your dancer at home. It is a great way to get EVERYONE moving!!



Feb 13-17: To celebrate Valentine's Day our preschool dancers and tumblers will be having "Bring a Teddy Bear Day" the week. So grab your snuggly friend and bring him to class. Moms, please help us out this day by remembering Mr. Teddy Bear, he is very important to the lesson plan. We will use him in preschool dance and tumbling!

FEB 17: UPPERCASE VISITS SPROUTS

The local grocery store might seem like an unlikely choice for a student field trip, particularly for preschool students. In their daily lives, young children learn about the people, places, and institutions that comprise the communities they live in. This learning takes place informally in the community and formally in school. We love having the opportunity to introduce roles in the community. Grocery stores are dynamic places where people in the community obtain the things they need for survival, such as food, medicine, and household items. They serve as a "field" in the truest sense of the word and have a large impact on their communities.

In addition, we are talking about healthy lifestyles this month in Preschool. What better way to learn about being healthy than to visit the local grocery store? Sprouts is inviting us to stop by and say hi!

Please click the link below to RSVP for this super fun field trip! This field trip will be in place of school today! Please note, parents will drop their students off to us just outside of the building. At the end of our field trip, we will meet you back in that same spot. Please plan to promptly pick your kiddo up so we can start our next tour.

[9:00-9:45 Uppercase A](#)

[10:00-10:45 Uppercase B](#)

[11:00-11:45 Uppercase C](#)

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Friday, February 17

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FEB 17 PARENTS NIGHT OUT

We have SO MUCH fun at our event called Parent's Night Out! Mark your calendar for your FEBRUARY VALENTINE DATE NIGHT and we will take the kids...Friday, February 17 from 6:00-10:00 pm!! We have lots of fun activities planned for the kids and you can enjoy a night out child-free! Only \$25 per child ages 3 and up (must be potty trained). We will be serving Pizza @ 6:45 pm.

Sign up in your [parent portal](#) or use our [quick form](#) on our website.

THANKS FOR READING!

We want to see who has read to the end of this email. Reply and let us know your favorite things about Studio 56 Dance Center. We are using your responses for a project we are working on! Thanks for your feedback!

FEBRUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Food Drive →		Tuition Process	1 Wear PINK Day!	2 Wear PINK Day!	3 Book Orders Due by noon!	4 Daddy Daughter Valentines Ball
5 Food Drive →	6	7	8 Wear PURPLE Day!	9 Wear PURPLE Day!	10 Scholastic Book Orders Due! Parent's Night Out!	11
12 Bring a Teddy Bear week →	13 Valentine's Day Parties! Isabella D. Spotlight	14 Valentine's Day Parties!	15 Visit from a Fireman	16 Visit from a Fireman	17 Uppercase Grocery Store Field Trip	18
19	20 No Classes - Presidents Day!	21	22 Conor W. Spotlight Gracie A. Spotlight	23	24 Kate M. Spotlight	25
26 Dr. Suess Week →	27	28				