

February 2023 Newsletter

Annsworth Academy

Dress the Bears – Our Dress the Bears were a success. Thank you to all who participated in this project, we hope that you all enjoyed it as much as we did!

Thank You! – We are very lucky to have such generous and thoughtful families here at Annsworth! Thank you to the Hessman family for donating gloves, socks, a quiet corner mat, and soft toys and to the Wade and Smith families for donating pull-ups. Thank you to the Conlan and Fee-Farmer families for donating clothes. Thank you to the Ruscitto family for donating towels. Lastly, thank you to the Taylor and Baggett families for donating toys.

Donations Needed – Any donations of tissues, diaper wipes, used hand and/or bath towels, and 2T-4T boys pants/shorts would be greatly appreciated.

Postal Service – This month all classrooms will be learning about the Postal Service. Most classrooms will be taking a “field trip” to visit our school mailbox. Rooms 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 are asking parents to please bring in a self-addressed stamped envelope on Tuesday, January 31st for their child(ren). Rooms 3, 4, 5, 8, 9 & 10 will be mailing their letters home on Friday, February 3rd, Rooms 6, 7 on Friday, February 10th.

Valentine Snack Parties – Classrooms will be celebrating Valentine’s Day with a special snack during their regular morning snack times. Each classroom will post a sign-up for party item donations for the children to enjoy. Children are encouraged to wear red, white, and/or pink to school and may bring in Valentine cards for their friends. These cards need only to be signed and not addressed to individual children. This will allow the children to easily distribute their own cards. Remember Annsworth has a no candy policy.

Rooms 6 & 7 Parent Programs – Rooms 6 & 7 parents are invited to attend your child’s class Parent Program. You will listen to a few songs that the children have been learning and join them for refreshments afterwards. Since they will only be singing a few songs and the program will be short, we encourage you to arrive on time. Due to limited parking in our parking lot, we are asking that parents park off site. We are concerned about the potential for cars to be towed if people park at any of the surrounding businesses and shopping center. Therefore, we have obtained permission from Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Kerry Forest Pkwy on the opposite side of the road from Annsworth, to utilize their parking lot. Cornerstone is where the Saturday Farmer’s Market is held. When you pull into their grass parking lot, you should park on the right side of the driveway.

The Parent Programs are at 10 am on the following days:

- Room 7 – Wednesday, February 15th
- Room 6 – Thursday, February 16th

Rooms 6 & 7 Conferences – This month we will be offering Parent Teacher Conferences for you to discuss your child’s progress. Each teacher will be available for 15-minute individual/family phone or video conferences on Tuesday, February 21st, Wednesday, February 22nd, or Thursday, February 23rd. To schedule your appointment, please see someone in the office or call 668-9072 no later than February 17th. This will allow us enough time to make arrangements for a substitute for your child’s teacher during the conferences.

Summer 2023 and Academic Year 2023-2024 Enrollment Agreements – The enrollment agreements will be coming out soon. Our annual tuition increases as of September 1, 2023 looks like it will be \$55 per month. Many factors including the \$1 per hour annual minimum wage increase and higher cost of food, supplies, and equipment contributed to this amount.

Once the enrollment forms are distributed, they will need to be returned by the specified deadline at which time we will determine where there are openings. We will then begin to contact the families on the Waiting List for any openings in each age group in the order that we received their forms. Siblings of currently enrolled children are given priority. We currently have around 100 children on our Waiting List with more coming in every day.