



February Newsletter



Dear Parents,

We hope you'll come along with us for a busy and fun-filled month. Stay healthy and join in the Valentine's activities and celebrations to come.

Our **Pre-K's** (VPK's) had a great turn out for **conferences**. All went very smoothly. Thanks for your promptness and dedication! Please see your teacher if you still need to schedule a conference.

REMEMBER...Fall Registration is this coming Saturday, February 6th at 8:00 a.m. for currently enrolled RDS families. Trying earnestly to limit your time in line, only a choice few will still have to come on Saturday. If you are a parent of a T-Th 2's whose child is already registered in our T-Th 3's class for next year, but you desire to try for one of the **remaining MWF 3's slots, you will have to come to registration on Saturday.** Also, **needing to come to registration** are those with **new 2's starting with RDS in the fall.** If you are unavailable to attend, remember to have someone register for you. You will need your registration packet of **stapled sheets filled out completely (no blank spaces), and the non-refundable \$125 registration fee for the 2's & 3's.** We'll see you at the back door of the church (where 4's dismiss). Registration for the **5-day classes** (except those occupying that class this school year) will not be **available** until **Friday, February 12th.** This allows all present RDS families to be guaranteed a spot in at least one class. If you have an all-day work schedule, and you need the five days, you'll have to be one of the first in line on Friday the 12th at 8:30 in the hallway outside the RDS Office. We hope this helps you to plan your mornings during registration week. As always, your patience is paramount and greatly appreciated!

Calendar Events for February:

- Feb. 3 (Wed.)** -Publix – Mrs. Heim's VPK
- 4 (Thurs.) -BBTN – 8:30 – 9:30 (Children's Clothing)
- 5 (Fri.) -BBTN – 8:30 – 9:30 (Children's Clothing)
- 6 (Sat.)** -**REGISTRATION for Current RDS families (wanting 2's or MWF 3's) – 8:00 a.m. – RDS Office**
- 8-12 (M-F) -"Pampered Chef" - 2's Fundraiser (all week)
- 9 (Tues.) -Dr. Sandra Worman
- 10 (Wed.)** -**Registration - RUMC Registered Church Members – 8:30 a.m. – RDS Office**
- 11 (Thurs.)** -**Registration - Returning RDS families – 8:30 a.m. – RDS Office**
-Valentine's Parties – Check your teacher's schedule for helping with the party.
- 12 (Fri.)** -**Registration for Registered-for-Fall RDS Families needing 5-Day 2's or 3's – 8:30 a.m. – RDS Office**
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- 15 (Mon.)** -**President's Day – No School – No A.A.**
- 16 (Tues.)** -**Registration for General Public – 8:30 a.m. – RDS Office**
- 22 (Mon.) -Publix – Mrs. Chavez's VPK
- 24 (Wed.) -Matt Edmonds exotic birds – 9:30 – on playground if weather permits

March Preview Calendar (1st half of month):

- 5 (Fri.) -Half day for everyone – set up for Carnival tomorrow!!!
- 6 (Sat.) -Spring Fling Carnival at RDS – 10-2:00 (RDS); 11-2:00 (rest of community)
- 10 (Wed.) -Timeless Tales Theatre – "Peter Rabbit" – 9:30
- 15 (Mon.) -Polywog Photographers – **Group** Pictures taken in classrooms
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Thanks to your prompt payments of fees each month, this has been a most efficient year for collecting tuition in an expedient manor. You are to be commended for your diligence!

February tuition now due: 2's & 3's T-Th - \$230 Pre-K (not VPK) - \$282
 2's & 3's MWF - \$260
 2's & 3's 5-day - \$490

(Fees can be found on page 13 of Parent Handbook & on tuition boxes in hallway, also.)

Please continue to return **Afternoon Adventures** slips **to the office** or **phone** in early. We tend to fill up quickly through the end of the year.

On **Thursday and Friday, February 4 & 5**, Andi Fuller, Sophia's mommy from our 2's class, will be in the hallway to assist you with any questions concerning "BBTN" (Blessed be the Name Children's Clothing). She will welcome any interest you may have.

Our **2's Classes** will hold their annual **Pampered Chef fundraiser** the week of **February 8-12**. Dawn will be handing out the catalogues for your perusal. We ladies do love this one!

Monday, February 15, will be a **school holiday** in observance of **President's Day**. Enjoy the day with your families.

We will have a return visit from **Matt Edmonds** on **Wednesday, February 24**. He will be here at RDS with his beautiful, **exotic birds**. If weather permits, we will enjoy his elegant creatures in the great outdoors on the playground.

We hope the **Spring-Fling date, March 6th**, is already on your calendar(s). **Saturday**, behind of the church, will be the **carnival for our families** from **10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** and for **the community** from **11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** Your help, at home or here at school is certainly appreciated, as there is still much to do in order to make this Spring Fling a success as in the past. Many thanks in advance!

Be sure to have your child in school for our **class-group photos on March 15 and/or 16**. It's fun to try and get a **whole-school photo** at this time, also.

Be sure to read your **teacher's class newsletter** for specific activities and events for your child. If you don't receive, or you misplace yours, please request another copy. Be sure to give to your teacher or to us in the office, any **address and/or phone number(s) changes or emergency and/or pick-up person(s) changes**. It is essential that we be able to contact you at any time throughout the school day. There are occasions when we cannot get in contact with parents in case of illness or accidents. This causes some anxious moments for all concerned and doesn't comply with **License Board policy**.

Get your Valentines ready to share with that special someone. Have a month filled with "sugary-sweet and flowery" memories!

Newsletters can sometimes get lengthy, depending on how full the month will be as to the amount of information and reminders we must give. I **highlight key words in each paragraph** to help you zero in on relevant information that might pertain just to you. If we don't give all information, that would slight others. As with fundraisers, focus on what applies to your needs and ignore the rest. Please remember, as stated in handbooks, newsletters, Parent Orientation, etc., that **ALL PARENTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN ALL CLASSROOMS**. Please let your presence be known each morning. Of course, because teachers enjoy greeting each parent and child as they come in each morning, this is not a time when they can stop and conference. They will set a convenient time for you anytime you wish. We are elated by the recent and upcoming births of our prospective RDS students. Keep us posted as to your little arrivals. Our thoughts and prayers are always that you receive God's greatest blessings. If you do not have a church home at present, RUMC would love for you to consider us among your list of possibilities. You will worship with many familiar friends while meeting many new ones.



Sugary hugs & chocolaty kisses,