

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

## A Note from Our Director

In this season of love, we focus on God's love for us and our love for each other. We want our children of Redeemer to know that no matter what we may do wrong to others we have an unconditional love from God and that we have loving parents who take care of us. We also stress that we have to always show love to each other and that it is what God wants us to do. Our Valentine parties are a time for us to celebrate with friends. We thank our room parents for coordinating these parties and for giving their time to their children's classes, true gifts of love. We also decorate cards in each class to Redeemer members who are no longer able to attend church services as we want them to know that we send our love and are thinking of them.

We are so happy that after three years were once again able to have our two Christmas pageants in December. It was wonderful to see all the family members come (standing room only for many!) and it truly was a good feeling to once again have each class perform songs and skits to celebrate the True meaning of Christmas, Jesus' birth!

Now we have started 2023 with much excitement and anticipation. We will have our class pictures taken in February by our wonderful photographer, "Mr. Jim" who has taken our children's photos for years now. He is so patient and knows just how to get a smile form each of our children!

We will enjoy "Read Across America" days in February with visits from Clifford the Big Red Dog. This is a book exchange for our children. They can wear their pajamas that day if they wish to feel comfy as they read their books.

We thank our fundraising chairperson, Kim Taylor for all she does with her many volunteered hours given to RCS. The October mums and Gertrude Hawk fundraisers were successes! With these fundraisers we buy our craft supplies for the classroom, presents for the Redeemer Giving Tree, steel cabinet for our classrooms, new computers, our playground mulch and in the past we have bought our copying machine, our laminator, our outside door security camera and so much more! We thank all who have made purchases from our fundraisers. We truly appreciate it!

Our registration is still ongoing for the fall of 2023 as we still have openings. Thank you for the wonderful recommendations both by word of mouth and by social media from many of you which resulted in one of the best ever sign-ups for RCS registration! We really say a huge "thank you" and we are proud of our nice reputation in the area!

Have a warm, caring, and loving month. As our outside sign states, "God's love warms our hearts"!

God bless all of you,

Cindy Stevens & the RCS Staff

## February At A Glance

Letters of the Month - "S", "D", U" and "P"

February 9th - 10th

• Valentine's Day Parties

February 16th & 17th

Picture Days

February 20th - 21st

• President's Day - NO SCHOOL

February 23rd & 24th

• Read Across America

## **Looking Forward: Turtle Back Zoo Trip**

All RCS families will be able to go to Turtle Back Zoo at a discounted rate on Friday, June 2. There will be NO class that day.

More information will follow. The price will be \$10 each person (unless you already have a TB Zoo membership).

# **Our February activities are:**

### \* Valentine's Day Celebrations - February 9th & 10th

This is a fun time for our children! Thank you, parents, if you have sent in treats! Thursday, February 9th

Miss Heather - 2.5"s T/Th

Miss Cindy - 3's T/Th

Miss Cheryl - 3's T/Th

Miss Alison - 4's

Miss Lori - Full Day 4's

#### Friday, February 10th

Miss Heather - 2.5's W/F

Miss Michelle - 2.5"s F

Miss Cindy - 3's MWF

Miss Cheryl - 3's MWF

Miss Charleen - 4's & STARS

### \*RCS School Pictures - February 16th & 17th

#### Thursday, February 16th

Miss Heather - 2.5"s T/Th

Miss Cindy - 3's T/Th AM

Miss Cheryl - 3's T/Th PM

Miss Alison - 4's AM & PM

Miss Lori - Full Day 4's

#### Friday, February 17th

Miss Heather - 2.5's W/F

Miss Michelle - 2.5"s F

Miss Cindy - 3's MWF AM

Miss Cheryl - 3's MWF P

Miss Charleen - 4's MTWThF & STARS

\*\*Please know that the Fours have the option to have photos taken with cap and gown at the same time as their regular photo.

The "STARS" option is with the yellow "STARS" sash added to the gown.

#### \*Read Across America February 23rd & 24th

We are asking parents to send in two age-appropriate "gently uses" books to the school to be shared in a book exchange during Read Across America week. Book can be sent in from February 15th- 23rd. A special "Big Red" friend will be visiting for the book exchange!

## \*\*All children can wear their PAJAMAS on their scheduled day to be comfortable!

## Thursday, February 23rd

Miss Heather - 2.5"s T/Th

Miss Cindy - 3's T/Th

Miss Cheryl - 3's T/Th

Miss Alison - 4's

Miss Lori - Full Day 4's

#### Friday, February 24th

Miss Heather - 2.5's W/F

Miss Michelle - 2.5"s F

Miss Cindy - 3's MWF

Miss Cheryl - 3's MWF

Miss Charleen - 4's & STARS



# **RCS Reaches Out!**

We are proud of our Full Day Fours for contributing to Redeemer Lutheran Church's Christmas Giving Tree by shopping online for items requested by families in need in the Morris County area. This was made possible by our proceeds from RCS fundraisers. It is a good feeling to give to others and for the children to take part in bringing smiles to others less fortunate. We teach our children by example!

RCS Classes also make Valentine cards for Senior shut in members of Redeemer to bring them some love. These cards are always so appreciated!

In case you were not aware, eight years ago one or our students, Nolan Montalbano, wanted to start a "Little Free Library" at RCS to share books back and forth. Nolan and his parents have created this library right outside the RCS front doors. We are proud of Nolan for his efforts. Please use this wonderful gift with your child.

We will be happy to take any donation of books that you would like to share.

#### **RCS Website**

www.redeemerchristianschool.com

Please check our website to view our calendar and current school news. Registration and other important school forms are also available on the site. See our photos on Facebook for some photos of recent school events as well.

# \*Snow/Inclement Weather Policy\*

Please be aware of our school inclement weather policy and that RCS will follow the Roxbury School system. As per our inclement weather policy, the number of times a class meets per week minus one is the allotted number of inclement weather days per class. If needed, we will schedule make-up days. In the event of a delayed opening, we will open at 10am. Our One Call Now phone system will inform you of any closings/delays we have.