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# APLC DAY SCHOOL NEWS



February 2021

Early Learning Programs



#### Calendar Dates:

Feb. 16—Parent Coffee Gathering

Feb. 19—Day Camp

Spring Break—Mar. 9-11

Online Silent Auction — March 30

### 2021-2022 School Registration

Registration forms have been processed for the 2021-2022 school year. You will receive notification of the class your child is enrolled for the next school year. We still have openings for the next school year—so spread the word to all your friends, neighbors and relatives!

## Online Silent Auction moved to March 30th!



With the approval of the APLC Board—we have decided to move the online to March 30th. Since we got a late start to school and reduced our days of operation to three—we needed more time to solicit and collect items for the auction. Unfortunately, we will not have an in person event which in the past included dinner and fellowship. As in the past, we are creating class books for each class and will have them on display as soon as they are completed for families to order.

This year more than any other year—we need to raise funds for the Day School. We need auction items of any kind—restaurants, gift cards, hair salons, photographers—ANYTHING would be greatly appreciated!

Class basket donation ideas have been or will be sent out to you by sign-up genius. We will create class baskets from your donations to be auctioned off online for the Silent Auction. We will also have class pots decorated by each class that is always a huge hit! We will display items as they are completed. Thanks for any help you can give us.



### Community Events, Parenting Tips and Resources

#### Getting Them to Brush Their Teeth—a love and logic tip

from Dr. Charles Fay

Have you ever been amazed at how tightly children can clench their teeth together when you try to "help" them brush their teeth? I have! And, yes, I admit it, I've tried to brush a strong-willed child's teeth, for them. Fortunately, I came to my senses before I lost a finger.

While we can't make spirited children take care of their teeth, we can apply the three E's of Love and Logic.

The first "E" stands for example. The next time your child needs to brush, experiment with saying, "I'm going to brush my teeth. I like to take care of them so that I can have treats."

The second "E" stands for experience. Many children need to experience some logical consequences associated with failing to take care of their mouths. Just the other day I drove through McDonald's and ordered a child-size chocolate shake for myself. Three-year-old Cody sat in the backseat crying and whining about the fact that I didn't get one for him. I felt horrible, but I knew that this little learning experience was far more affordable than having a mouth full of cavities as he grew older.

The third "E" stands for empathy. When we can be sad, rather than angry or sarcastic, our kids are forced to realize that their poor decisions decrease the quality of their lives.

A very creative mother said this to her 13-year-old daughter:

Honey, I'm no longer going to nag you about brushing. When I see that you aren't, I'll deposit your allowance into a special bank account I've named "dentures for my daughter."

### Grab-N-Go Nature Lessons: Birds at Phil Hardberger Park

- When: Saturday, February 13, 2021, 9:00 am 11:00 am
- Location: Nature Play Area 8400 Northwest Military HighwaySan Antonio, TX, 78231
- Cost: Free

Stop by our table to pick up a Grab-N-Go bag filled with activities to help you explore the park. This month's kit will have different activities to explore birdlife, including how to make your own bird nest, write with a feather quill, build a birdhouse and explore birds at home and in the park.





### Frost Bank Drive-Thru Chuck Wagon Breakfast - Schertz

- Friday, February 12, 2021, 7:30 am - 9:30 am
- Location: 16895 Interstate 35 North Schertz, San Antonio, TX 78154
- Cost: Free

Hey y'all! Swing on by for a Drive-Thru Chuck Wagon breakfast to tip your hat to the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. We'll be serving eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy. Come on down and pick up a delicious meal to share with your family at home.



### Valentines Day Workshop at the Rustic Brush in Hollywood Park

- When: Sunday, February 14, 2021, 11:00 am 2:00 pm
- Location: 555 Funston Pl, San Antonio
- Cost: See site for details

Come Start off your Valentine's Day with us! This is a family friendly event, so bring the kids for some fun too! We can reserve tables for families of 4 or more!

### Chapel Notes

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### Trail Rider's Breakfast



Many thanks to all the volunteers for helping with the Trail Riders Breakfast on Tuesday Jan. 26th. Although we missed having a crowd of parents enjoying the fun; the children had a great time having their face tatooed., stringing pasta necklaces, lassoing the horse, and eating some great breakfast tacos! We tried to get all the children to take a cowboy or cowgirl picture using the photo prop!

Thanks again for the volunteers. We depend on you for the success of all the many events we have at the school.

## Parent Coffee Gathering

We will have our next Parent Coffee Gathering on Tuesday, February 16 right after dropoff. Weather permitting, we will enjoy breakfast tacos outside in the outdoor chapel area. Come and meet a new friend or get reacquainted with old friends! Bring your own beverage and smell the fresh air and God's grace!

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One of our stories this month is Joshua and the Big Wall. The children will hear how Joshua encouraged people, to understand that God's way is always the best way. Our puppet show is on February 23rd. "Julie" and "Sandy" will share with us how we too can be ENCOURAGERS. This is always a fun one, "Sandy" does a little singing for

We will once again have our "Noisy Offering" Please start saving your coins! It will begin February 17th and go through Lent. The proceeds will benefit Lutheran World Relief.

Love Mrs. Larsen

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### **Playground Reopening**

With Covid19 numbers lowering weekly, APLC Day School Board has agreed to try opening up the large playground to children and parents beginning Tuesday, Feb. 16th after school beginning at 2:15 pm. We must give the staff time to clean up the playground. It is important to re-



member that children must be supervised at all times and the guidelines for play afterschool are the same as during school hours. Guidelines have been posted and must be followed at all times. Parents must wear masks at all times and social distance at all times. With the warm weather approaching, this could be a good time to get to know the new families attending APLC.





APLC Church
Activities

February 17 - Ash Wednesday

7:00 pm

Live -stream worship on YouTube and Facebook.

Pastor Steve's message will focus on the sign of the cross marked on our foreheads at baptism. We are marked as beloved children of God whether or not we trace that sign with ashes.

Please plan to join this community of faith in worship as we begin the season of Lent.