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APLC DAY SCHOOL NEWS

February 2020

Calendar Dates:

Silent Auction & Family
Night—March 5

Spring Break—Mar. 11—14

Parent Coffee Gathering-
March 18 & 19

Board Meeting—Apr. 2

Class Pictures—Apr. 8 & 9



25 days to the Silent Auction!!

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Donations are down and we need everyone's help to make the silent auction successful! Many thanks to those who have solicited or donated items! The children in each class are working on "Top Secret" projects that are sure to be a hit!

NEW THIS YEAR! We will have on-line bidding for some of the auction items. You will be given a link to bid prior and during the auction. More information to come before the auction.

A Silent Auction & Dinner packet will come home with your child—one per family—Feb. 18 & 19th. There will be an invitation, dinner tickets and information about the evening. The food is being catered by **Anne Marie's Catering and Restaurant**. This event is open to the public—think about inviting family, friends and neighbors!

If you signed-up to donate an item—you may turn it into the office at anytime—**WE WILL STORE IT UNTIL THE SILENT AUCTION!** In addition, please turn in any solicited items as soon as possible so that we can do bid sheets.

*(More Silent Auction Info
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**Share Your
Heart**

**LOVE, STRENGTH, HOPE—ALL FROM A
SIMPLE PAPER HEART**

Each year the Ronald McDonald House has a "Share Your Heart" drive to support families staying at the four Ronald McDonald Houses in San Antonio. You are asked to purchase a pink paper heart for \$.25 each—your child can decorate the heart and we will display all the hearts down the hallway of the school. You may purchase as many as you like to support this great organization! We will talk to the children about how we can help others and show compassion for families with sick children. The hearts will be available at the check-in stand and in the classrooms. Thanks for your support!

2020-2021 School Registration

Registration forms have been processed for the 2020-2021 school year. You will receive notification of the class your child is enrolled for the next school year. We still have limited openings for the next school year—so spread the word to all your friends, neighbors and relatives!

Community Events, Parenting Tips and Resources

Teaching Our Kids Not To Interrupt

—Love and Logic tip

Is it healthy for children to believe that they can interrupt adults?

Ironically, we reinforce this bad behavior when we repeatedly tell them to stop interrupting. In effect, we are encouraging them to interrupt. To make matters worse, there are few things more rewarding to a child than being able to control the color of our faces, the volume of our voices, or the number of words produced by our tongues.

Teach Them How to Get Your Attention and Wait for Your Reply

Children as young as two or three can learn how to ask for attention in healthy ways. This involves showing them how to approach you silently and wait for your reply quietly. This takes a lot of work, patience, and practice, but it is doable.

One Love and Logic mom commented, "We have five kids under ten. That's why we can't afford to let them think that they can mob us for what they want anytime they want it. My husband and I taught each of them what we call the 'sneaky statue' routine. When we're talking, they know to sneak up and stand like statues. We gradually taught each of them to wait longer by celebrating their success in being 'sneaky as spies' and 'silent like statues.'"

Use the "Stop Sign" Signal

Wise parents understand that responding to interruptions with words usually makes it worse. Instead, they continue talking while signaling with their hand that the child must stop talking and wait. Parents must maintain eye contact with the adult they are talking with. If they are on the phone, they should look away from their child.

Give Your Signal Special Meaning by Following Through

When our kids insist on interrupting, it's essential that they see this does not pay off. With children young enough to be carried safely, parents can silently place them in a highchair, playpen, or some other safe spot, and then immediately resume their conversation. Older kids should be expected to replace the energy they have drained from their parents. This may involve doing extra chores, allowing their parents to rest instead of expecting them to drive them somewhere, paying for their own babysitter so that their parents can go on a date with each other, etc.

When kids learn that it's okay to interrupt adults, they begin to think that they are on the same level as adults. This isn't good for them... or for us. The happiest kids are the ones who learn early on that the world does not revolve around them.

Free Admission Tuesdays - The Witte Museum

- **When:** Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- **Location:** The Witte Museum
3801 Broadway St, San Antonio, TX 78209
- **Cost:** Free



Nature Buds: We Love Ladybugs

- **When:** Monday, February 10, 2020, 10:00 am - 11:30 am
- **Location:** 1802 N Main Ave, San Antonio, Texas 78212
- **Cost:** \$5 per child or \$8 per family. Pay cash at the door

We're learning about Ladybugs!! Join us as we investigate their important role in the gardens. We'll have Storytime and create some Love Bug inspired crafts just in time for Valentine's Day.



Story Time - The Twig Book Shop

- **When:** Friday, February 14, 2020, 10:30 am
- **Location:** The Twig Book Shop - 306 Pearl Parkway, San Antonio, Texas, 78215
- **Cost:** Free



APLC Church Activities



Sat- **Family Faith Day**

urday, February 29

8:30 am—3:00 pm

REGISTER ONLINE By February 15

APLC.ORG →Coming Events

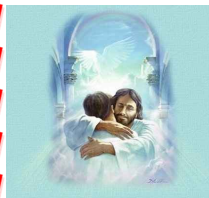
Leap year gives us an extra day to play. Join your Faith Formation Team for this fun day to learn and grow together as a family and a faith community. As we head into the season of Lent, you'll find practical tips for walking through these 40 days with meaning. There are morning learning sessions for elementary, middle and high school, and adult age groups and an afternoon family service project. Pick up a flyer in the sanctuary hallway to learn more or get more information on the website.

Interfaith/Community Action Network

Abiding Presence is a member of the Interfaith/Community Action Network (I/CAN).

I/CAN is an organization that helps people work together to accomplish positive change for neighborhood concerns. Whether those concerns are local such as street and traffic improvement or neighborhood safety—or community-wide such as strengthening our education system, the group offers guidance for how to communicate with elected officials. I/CAN's action plan for 2020 includes infrastructure improvements, universal background checks for gun purchases, health insurance review, immigration guidelines, gentrification, and education funding. Want to know more... Want to make a difference... Together, WE CAN!

Chapel Notes



During our last puppet show, "Julie" and "Sandy" talked about how they walk with Jesus. You may want to ask your child about this! One of our stories this month is "Joseph and His Brothers." We will learn that God is with us always and wants to help. Hope you will join us for our next puppet show on February 25th and 26th. The message is how we can all be "ENCOURAGERS" by helping those around us do their best.

Love Mrs. Larsen

Parent Coffee Gathering

There will be **NO Parent Coffee Gathering this month.** I promise extra special goodies in March on the 18 & 19th! Mark your calendars!

Trail Rider's Breakfast



Many thanks to Joy Weinberg for heading up the Trail Riders Breakfast on Wednesday Jan. 22nd. Although we had to be in the gym, the children had a great time having their face painted, stringing pasta necklaces, lassoing the horse, and eating some great breakfast tacos! Some of the children sat on the saddle or had their cowboy or cow-girl pictures taken with the photo prop!

We had a great crowd—we love to see all the families join in on the activities! Thanks so much for the many volunteers. We depend on you for the success of all the many events we have at the school.

Class Basket Coordinators

If you are in charge of a class basket for your child's class—please stop by the office and check out what has been turned in.

We can go over a few guidelines as you assemble them! Thanks!



Happy
Valentine's
Day

Important Silent Auction Information!!

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It is not too late to volunteer—we have a sign-up board outside the day school office. We need help with "Check-Out" (Cashier at the end of the auction), set-up on Wednesday and/or Thursday before the auction (decorating tables & walls) and clean-up after the auction is over, water and other donations! There is a way for everyone to help! The Silent Auction and Family Night is our second and final fundraiser for the school year. Thanks for everyone's support. It is an exciting family event and we hope you can come!



Meal Ticket Information

We are having a wonderful meal catered by **Anne Marie's Catering & Restaurant**. The entrée will be cheese enchiladas, crispy taco, rice, bean flour tortillas and chip and salsa. There is a gluten free option as well. We will be sending out invitations to all families the week of February 18th. Cost of the tickets is listed below:

\$12.00 for Adults—\$6.00 for Children

Think about inviting Grandparents, family and friends!! This is our major fundraiser for the year! All proceeds will directly benefit the children of the Day School.

Silent Auction items will include:

Signed Basketball by ALL the Spurs, Boys and Girl's Bikes, Golf, jewelry, YMCA Membership, liquor and wine pull and so much more!



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