



February 2019

Looking Ahead

- Jan. 29 Parent Q & A
9:45 am in Rm 261
- Jan. 31 Rodeo Round-up
6:00—7:00 pm in Wesley Hall
- Feb. 1 Stock Show Day
No School
- Feb. 5 & 6 4's & Pre-K walk to
Library, 1:20
- Feb. 6—Parent Q & A
1:30 in Room 261
- Feb. 8 Pre-registration Cards Due
By 2:30 pm
- Feb. 7 & 8—Chapel with Ms. Nancy
9:45 am
- Feb. 19 Early Dismissal
Staff Meeting
- Feb. 26 Open Registration
Begins at 9 am
- Feb. 28 & March 1—Fort Worth
Children's Opera presents "Three
Pigs Remix" at 10:15 in
Wesley Hall
- March 11—15 Spring Break

Please turn in pre-registration cards and fees by Fri., Feb. 8th at 2:30 pm.

If you have any questions about your choices for next year, come to a Parent Q & A, talk with your child's teacher or make an appointment with Nina.

Please take the time to fill out BOTH SIDES of the card. The information on the back is what helps us to place the cards in priority order for placing students in classes and wait lists. All who turn in a card on time are guaranteed a spot, but not their first choice. Turning in cards early does not guarantee your first choice.

Cards that are turned in late, or do not include registration and supply fees are bumped to the end of the line. Also, you must be current in your account to participate in pre-registration.

You may attach a check, or use the credit card or bank account on file. Credit cards have related fees. Thank you!

STOCK SHOW HOLIDAY

**THE PRESCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST
FOR THE FORT WORTH
STOCK SHOW HOLIDAY.**

**WE HOPE YOU
ENJOY THE DAY WITH
YOUR CHILDREN!**



Preschool Summer Camps

Week 1	May 28–30	Spanish & Math Games
Week 2	June 3–6	Soccer
Week 3	June 10–13	Creative Builders
Week 4	June 17–20	Famous Artists
Week 5	June 24–27	Cooking
Week 6	July 1–3	Soccer
VBS	July 8–12	Registration, through the church, will start soon



Weeks 2–5 each cost \$160 and run Monday–Thursday, 9:30–2:30

Weeks 1 and 6 are shorter due to Memorial Day and July 4.

Week 1 is T/W/Th and Week 6 is M/T/W

These shorter weeks cost \$120 each.

A non-refundable, non-transferable \$25 deposit for each week is due when you sign up, with the tuition balance due in May, with paperwork.

The children's area will be closed for maintenance, July 15–August 16

Teacher Training runs August 19–27

Parent Orientation: August 28;

Meet the Teacher Parties: August 29

First Day of School: September 3, 2019



Fort Worth Children's Opera

Fort Worth Children's Opera will visit us on Feb. 28 and March 1, at 10:15 in Wesley Hall to perform "Three Pigs Remix," a new take on a classic tale, with a message about the benefits of cooperation, order over chaos, and taking care of each other when the going gets rough. You are welcome to join us either day. We are thankful that the Opera is making an exception for us, and coming on a day when they do not normally schedule shows, so that both T/Th and MWF kiddos can see the show.

Our Vaccine Policy

Vaccines have been in the news quite a lot lately, and Fort Worth has become a “hot spot” for under-immunized children. As a result, we are tightening up our vaccination policy, and wanted you to be aware of the recent changes we have made and why we made them.

What is the policy?

1. New students must be up to date in their vaccines, and will need to bring shot records to Open Registration before they can enroll.

2. All students must have shot records on file before they can attend school. This applies to current students and new students.

3. We follow CDC guidelines for vaccination. You can find these guidelines [here](#). We do not accept altered schedules or affidavits for exemptions. If there is a medical reason for a modified schedule, parents may provide information from their child’s pediatrician, and we will discuss making an exception with our nurse and preschool board.

4. All students must stay current and keep current shot records on file with the school.

Why are we making these changes?

*We have many **pregnant mothers** here at school, and under-immunized children put the unborn children at risk for serious birth defects.

*Our PDO has **infants** who are at risk of complications if they should be exposed to a vaccine-preventable disease.

*Some **family members are fighting diseases** such as cancer, which leave them especially vulnerable to vaccine-preventable diseases.

Why don’t we accept altered schedules?

The CDC has not approved any altered schedules. Research has not established the effects of altered schedules for individuals or the population at large.

Aren’t we required to accept an affidavit, giving exemptions?

No. We are a private school, and are able to decide on our own. Texas law allows affidavits for children attending public schools, but private schools can make their own vaccination policies.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we try to make our school as safe and healthy as it can be for everyone!

Meet Charlie—Therapy Dog in Training

If you were here at preschool last year, you met Charlie. He was our auction puppy, and Mrs. Paula was his foster mom. He came to preschool in the weeks before the auction, and then the Robertson family bought him at the auction and gave him to Paula, to be our preschool puppy.

Charlie has been to obedience classes at PetSmart, and is waiting to begin his therapy dog training. While Charlie was at school, the preschool board had time to develop a policy, to make sure that everyone stays safe and happy when Charlie visits.

We sent out the policy, but if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the preschool office.

Charlie will not be in the hallways during drop-off or dismissal, and he will only go into classrooms where teachers have requested a visit, and parents have been given adequate notice ahead of time.

If your child has an allergy or a fear of dogs, please do not hesitate in letting us know. Charlie will start to visit twice a month, beginning in February.

Thank you!



COWBOY CAMPFIRE DAYS

We will dress western and eat around the “campfire” as we bring Texas history and culture to life. Teachers will let you know which day to dress up. Don’t worry! The “fires” are made from tissue paper, sticks, and flashlights. No open flames for us here at preschool!



Rodeo Round- Up Feb. 1, 6—7

Our annual Rodeo Round-up is Thursday, January 31, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in Wesley Hall. Cowtown is famous for its Stock Show and Rodeo; and this is a chance for our preschool and PDO children to participate in an easy way. Dress western, and bring the whole family to this fun event. Come for dinner, games, crafts, face-painting and baby farm animals in the garden. Sarah Elliott is organizing, and she would love to have your help. Please email the preschool if you can help with set-up or take-down.



PRE-REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

WHEN DO YOU FORM THE CLASSES?

Not until the summer, but if you have a concern or request, please email or write a note on the back of your card.

AM I GUARANTEED MY FIRST CHOICE?

We try, but we have limited space, and sometimes have to give people their second choice. We look at the back of the pre-registration cards and rank everyone by how many check marks they have. A parent committee helps us go through this process. We consider current students, church members, siblings, number of years in our program, and current schedule. You are guaranteed a spot, as a current student, but not your first schedule choice.

WHEN DO WE FIND OUT?

It takes about a week to go through all of the cards. If you do not get into the class you prefer, we will refund the difference between the supply fees, or refund the entire amount if you do not have a second choice that works for you and your family.

February Birthdays

Hix Barkley	Fynn Diamond
Melissa Dearden	Del Diamond
Alexander Green	Bryce Harvick
Will Landreth	Hudson McBride
Emerson Stull	Esmeralda Gonzales
Maverick Thomas	James “Jet” Tulbert
Mrs. Massey Jaffee	



Happy Valentine’s Day!

We love having your children here, and are so happy that you are part of our preschool family.

Love, Mrs. Nina

