



2020

Happy Valentine's Day - February 14th



Holiday: School will be closed on Monday, February 17th
In honor of President's Day



Spelling Bee Winners

1st Grade

- 1st Place - Aadrita Mandal
- 2nd Place - Sebastian Ong
- 3rd Place - Chelsea Yang

2nd Grade

- 1st Place - Azura Mazzotta
- 2nd Place - Kylie Jara
- 3rd Place - Vincent Robles

3rd Grade

- 1st Place - Dakota Jackson
- 2nd Place - Ella McGevna
- 3rd Place - Ethan Salapare

4th Grade

- 1st Place - Ryan Winslow
- 2nd Place - Sebastian Milosevic
- 3rd Place - Austin Ferreira

5th Grade

- 1st Place - Ethan Salapare
- 2nd Place - Heena Patel
- 3rd Place - Kayla Muramatsu

6th Grade

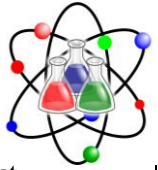
- 1st Place - Addison Hitchcock
- 2nd Place - Ryan Le
- 3rd Place - Amber Kuo

PHILIPPINE RELIEF FUND

A very grateful thank you to all families that donated money to help those affected. We collected the sum of **\$1700.00** and have sent it to Emylou, Ms Carol's sister, who will send us pictures and receipts for the donations. Thank you very much!

SCIENCE FAIR - Friday, 7th
Transition Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Our students have been very busy in the month of January picking out experiments, and getting ready for the Science Fair. It is your turn to witness our young scientists in action! The first session is from **3:30 - 4:30 p.m.** and the second from **4:45 - 5:45 p.m.** Check class schedules posted so that you can be seated on time. All students will receive participation ribbons & 1st, 2nd & 3rd place ribbons will be awarded to the winners. Science Fair 1st place winners will also receive a Science Medallion & certificate. *Judging will take place in the morning; students please make sure you are in school on time.*



VALENTINE'S DAY - Friday, 14th

Students may bring Valentine cards & goodies to be distributed to friends at school & classes will have snack parties. The Butterflies and Dragonflies in #2 & #4, will be walking to the mail box on Monday, 10th, to mail the Valentine cards they made for their parents. **A very happy Valentine's Day!**



POETRY MONTH

Elementary students K - 6th, get your creative minds in gear... enter your best Couplet, Cinquain, Haiku, Limerick or freestyle Poem in Oneonta Montessori's annual Poetry Contest. The judges will choose poems that have good content, flow, and abide by the structure and rules. The Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, February 26th! Good Luck students, let your imagination soar!

SPORTS DAY TEAM ASSIGNMENTS - ELEMENTARY

All new students in the elementary school including the TK & Kindergartners will be assigned a sports team. Students learn the value of good sportsmanship and friendly rivalry as they compete for their respective teams. Last year the students had a blast as they represented their teams in relays as well as in individual events on Sports Day. This year Sports Day is going to be on Thursday, June 4th. Team shirts must be purchased for \$5.00 & worn on Fridays. Practices will commence shortly, so get ready to have loads of fun!

THIS YEAR'S CHARITY: PENNIES 4 AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS: 2/3 - 2/28

Children will have an opportunity to help by collecting spare change to put into the collection boxes in their classrooms. As of today, 25 million acres have burned and 480 million animals have perished. We have decided to help **HSI & IFAW**, organizations that are actively engaged in helping rehabilitate these animals. Let's help by donating our spare change. Thank you for your compassionate support.

SAY CHEESE!



SCHOOL PICTURES - New dates: THURSDAY, 20th and FRIDAY, 21st

- Thursday, 14th - Preschool individual pictures and all class group pictures
- Friday, 15th - Elementary (TK - 6th Grade) individual pictures

Classroom # 1 – Ladybugs

Valentine's Day is fast approaching and the ladybugs will learn about the importance of friendship and caring for one another through group games and activities. February is also an important month as we celebrate two important presidents. The children will have an opportunity to learn about these two presidents by visiting the school library and create fun projects. For Geography, our Ladybugs will take a tour of Africa to learn fun facts and learn where to locate it on the Map & for Science, parts of an amphibian. We will also learn to recognize money!

Class # 2 – Dragonflies

"ALL we need is LOVE," This month is about friendship, kindness, sharing and understanding Valentine's Day. The Dragonflies will begin a cool art project marble painting Valentine hearts. As a class field trip, we will take a walk to the mail box store to mail a secret Valentine letter. The month of February is Black History Month. We will visit our school library and read about Harriet Tubman following it up with an educational quilt project. Others will be Garret Morgan, Jackie Robinson and Ruby Bridges. What a tribute to African American men and women who have made significant contributions!

Classroom # 3 – Honey Bees

My buzzing honeybee, will you be mine? It's the season of love and friendship! The Honeybees are so excited to welcome a new month by talking about friendships and the importance of loving one another. There are so many exciting days we have planned! We will kick start February by celebrating the 100th day of school on February 6th. In honor of Black History month, we will be taking a trip to the past to learn about the many important figures in history that fought and advocated for change. This is going to be a month full of learning, especially on how we can make a change to help others.

Classroom # 4- Butterflies

February is here and the butterfly class is full of love! We'll be introducing Black History Month and learning about the famous advocates that changed the world for a better today. Driving home strong character traits like, love, perseverance, leadership, kindness, creativity, friendliness, and honesty will be our focus. Our friends will be gearing up for adventure as we explore the continents of Africa and Asia. Our dramatic play skit of the post office will prepare us for our walk to the mailbox to mail our Valentine's Day cards. Do you know which Presidents are featured on US currency? Finding out for ourselves will all be part of the fun as we learn about money. A very happy Valentine's Day to all!

Classroom # 5 – Ms. Vangie

Happy Valentine's Day Everyone! The month of February is another exciting and busy month as our students continue to embark on various academic pursuits. Our scientists are working hard on their experiments for the Science Fair. This is also Poetry month, and our young poets will soon be learning to write Haikus, Cinquains, Rhyming Couplets, and other forms of poetry. Language lessons are on pronouns, subject-verb agreement, and literature reading. Math: problem solving, measurements inches and centimeters, and drills on addition and subtraction. CNC lessons: on clothing, leaf, bird, focus on North America for 1st and Asia continue for 2nd grade. See you at our Science Fair!

Classroom # 6 – Ms. Vanessa

Room 6 is filled with love and excitement for the month of February! With Valentine's Day right around the corner, the children will learn about the importance of friendship and caring for one another through stories, educational activities and the history behind the holiday. February is also an important Month as we recognize President's Day and honor African American month. In math, our first graders will be introduced to division and Kindergarten will continue mastering the skill of carry over addition. We will also be covering Poetry by reading famous poems and learning the steps and process needed to write a creative poem. We are eager for another month of Learning!

Classroom # 7 – Ms. Blossom

February is short but filled with lots of love and sweet surprises. Our young poets are driven to express their thoughts into original poems. In language, learning to construct sentences using correct subject and pronoun-verb agreement, homographs, prefixes and suffixes. In math, continuing to master multiplication and division with remainders. We can't wait to write about our predictions for Groundhog's Day, and talk about what we can do if given the chance to be a president. Remembering African-American people who made a big difference in our country for Black History month.

Classroom # 8 – Ms. Audrey

It's February and LOVE is in the air; could it be that our Jr. Einstein's have concocted some special potions for the big Science Fair? We have an exciting month of fun learning activities ahead of us starting with Black History Month and about Famous African Americans and their contributions. We will also observe President's Day and use the opportunity to learn about some of our great leaders. This will also give us an opportunity to work on recognition and value of money! For geography, we are traveling to Asia and learning about the people, customs, and famous landmarks Asian animals & their habitats.

Ms Mary Ann - Class # 9

A busy month ahead starting off with our young aspiring scientists, diligently practicing to show off their experiments at our Science Fair. More writing exercises and challenging writing prompts will be given focusing on Poetry to prepare for our yearly poetry contest. Detailed study on the continents of N. America and Asia, & Botany Impressionistic charts for botany, fractions and percentages in math, & finding the area of a parallelogram and circle in geometry will keep our students busy. Wednesdays are going to be reserved for practice tests so students can sharpen their test taking skills and get ready for National Testing in May.