

# December 2023 Newsletter

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## December 2023

December 15- Book Exchange/Holiday Party

December 15- Ugly Sweater Day

December 25-29-Winter Break (NO VPK)

December 25-26- Wellington Closed

### Upcoming Events:

January 1-2- Wellington Closed

January 1-5- Winter Break (NO VPK)

January 8- VPK Return

January 12- Happy Birthday Wellington!

January 15- MLK/Teacher Duty Day- Wellington Closed

January 25- 100<sup>th</sup> Day of VPK

## Administrator's News...

Wellington Academy would like to say Thank you all so much for all the generous food donations during the month of November. With all your contributions, we donated items of food to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in Palm Bay.

We would like to challenge you and ask you to hand make a holiday decoration with your family for the month of December to display around our school. It can be a decorated wreath, ornament, snowman, or painting, etc. (NO gingerbread houses please). Use your imagination and enjoy spending this quality time with your child/family, after all this is what the holidays are all about "Family".

We will continue our diligence for handwashing and sanitizing. We will gladly take donations of hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray/wipes. Until further notice drop off & pick up will be at front door. Hope to see everyone soon.

**Please remember tuition is due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month; if paying semimonthly, payment is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>; or weekly payments are due on Friday for the following week. Late fees will be applied accordingly. If you have any questions, please see administration.**

**\*\* Please be patient with the door, wait for the door to click before pushing. Please do not let children hang on the door or open using latch, adults only please. \*\***

Infant & Dev.1 parents, we ask that you please be mindful about keeping up to date with checking Procure. The teachers use Procure as part of your child's day and a large communication factor.

We would like to remind you to please have your child arrive at Wellington Academy at an appropriate time. Our staff works hard to have the program up and going by 9:00am so please adhere to this time and have your child here so they can have the full benefit of the program. A reminder that Wellington's doors close at 5:30pm. Please be here on time, our staff would also like to get home to their loved ones. There is a late pick up fee of \$15 per 5-minute increments. Let's please avoid any extra fees.

Thank you for all your cooperation and sharing your children with us.

Parents you can read this newsletter online at...  
[wellingtonacademyschools.com](http://wellingtonacademyschools.com)

Find and like Wellington Academy on fb to view pictures from all the fun activities that your children experience. Enjoy!

### December Curriculum

Theme: Celebrations  
Around the World  
Colors: Green & Red  
Shapes: Cone & Star

#### 0-2 years' old Letters:

Letters: Review A-P  
Numbers: Review 0-10

#### 3-5 years' old Letters:

Letters: Review Aa-Pp  
Numbers: Review 0-10

Thank you,

Mrs. Millie and Ms. Shannon



Students: Lyla S. 12/15/20

Staff:

## Infant News



The holidays are such an exciting time of year. This month Xander and Theo are exploring the room. Theo is learning to walk with a walking toy and Xander is crawling behind him. Elian is doing great with walking. Killua is getting bigger every day. Isaac is also doing wonderfully.

**We will also be having a book exchange. Please bring in a wrapped, new book labeled "To: my friend, From: (your child's name)".** We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

**If you haven't already, please bring in a family photo so we can decorate your child's crib and show them off on our family tree!**

\*Please remember all bottles must have caps and be labeled.

Thank you for sharing your babies with us.

Thank you,

Mrs. Lisa, Mrs. Cecilia & Ms. Alexia

## Developmental 1 News



Happy Holidays! What a wonderful time of the year to learn about our friends in other countries and how they celebrate this season. We will have tons of fun engaging in Holiday related activities such as Holiday Yoga, Free expression dancing to Christmas music, pretending to bake cookies for Santa in the Kitchen Center, making our own Santa Beards and so much more. For Inspiration, we are also celebrating different days throughout December including:

National Christmas Lights Day 12/1  
Walt Disney's Birthday, 12/5  
Mitten Tree Day, 12/6  
Christmas Card Day 12/9  
Poinsettia Day, 12/12  
National Wreath Day, 12/17  
Bake Cookies Day, 12/18  
Hanukkah 12/18- 12/26  
Christmas, 12/25  
National Candy Cane Day, 12/26  
Kwanzaa, 12/26- 1/1

Keep an eye out for pictures of the fun.

\*We will also be having a book exchange for the holidays in our class. Please bring in a NEW gift-wrapped book, and label it "to my friend".

A few reminders:

- PLEASE bring in updated family pictures for our family tree.
- Please wash nap items each week and return on Monday.
- We would like to have at least one change of weather appropriate clothing in your child's cubby.
- Book Club goes home on Friday for you and your child to enjoy over the weekend. Please return the book, bag, and completed form on Monday.
- All children should be wearing closed toed tennis shoes only while attending Wellington Academy, no sandals, or crocs please.
- Diapers with tabs that fasten for easier diaper changing are greatly appreciated, no pull-ups.

Thank you,

Ms. Stacey & Ms. Rhiannon

## Developmental 2 News



December is all about "Celebrations around the World" and teaching the children what holidays are celebrated in other countries. We will be making theme related art and doing hands-on activities centered around these different celebrations.

We will be reviewing letters A-P, numbers 1-10, shapes and star, and colors Red and Green. We will also be doing a book exchange. We will need everyone to bring in a new wrapped book labeled "To: my friend, From: (your child's name)". We will be talking about how people around the world celebrate their holidays.

We are asking for everyone to please work together so we can successfully potty train your child which means to be working with them at home also. As weather might be changing soon, please bring in weather appropriate clothes. We appreciate your cooperation.

\*\* Please bring in a family photo for our family tree as soon as possible.

\*\* Girls must wear shorts underneath dresses.

\*\* Please remember to wear closed toe shoes always, crocs are only to be worn when potty training! Once your child is potty trained, please wear closed toe shoes.

\*\* No food and drinks in the classroom.

Thank you,

Mrs. Elizabeth & Ms. Rhiannon

## Developmental 3A & 3B News



It's the most wonderful time of the year! Thank you to all our parents who made our cooking projects a success, the kiddos enjoyed them.

December is all about Celebrations around the world. We will get to learn about many different cultures and how they celebrate their holidays. Our art this month will reflect on each one of those holidays celebrated and talk about their significance.

Please continue working on writing skills, number and letter recognition/ sounds at home, everyone is doing great. Check life cubby for any updates and supplies needed. We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday!

We will have a book exchange, please bring in a NEW wrapped book, and label it "To: my friend, From: (your child's name)"

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out, I am here to help. We have lots of art planned, along with our weekly cooking projects.

-Fridays is Show and Tell

-Our cooking activities are a special learning time for our children, they will occur once a month on a Friday. Thank you for your donation to these activities. Don't forget to follow Procure for more information.

Parents, please remember to be sure your child has extra clothes (weather appropriate) and any other supplies needed. Please be sure to label all belongings.

**We please ask children not to wear open toe sandals, for safety reasons. We also ask no crocs unless your child is potty training and that the girls wear shorts underneath of dresses/skirts.**

**\*\*Please bring in an updated family photo.**

Thank you so much for sharing your child with us.

Thank you,

Ms. Taylor & Ms. Carly



## VPK News

Wow, November went by so quickly! We learned so much about our families and Thanksgiving. Our Thanksgiving program was a blast, hats off to all our students, they did an awesome job.

In the blink of an eye December has come, we have many fun activities planned. We will have a book exchange on December 16<sup>th</sup>, bring in a new wrapped book labeled "To: my friend, From: (your child's name)". On December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm we will have a Christmas program. Each child please bring in a Santa hat (red & white only). As the time gets closer, we will let you know more info about our class party.

Please continue to practice sight words, word blends, compound words, rhyming words, phonic sounds, number and writing skills.

Book club, books go home on Friday and return by Tuesday. Sir Wellington will be going home on Fridays with a friend, and he will be returned by Wednesday so another friend can take him home. We are looking forward to a month full of fun & learning.

**Please remember our cubby space is limited, so limit belongings to a standard crib sheet, small blanket and change of clothes.**

**\*\*Show & Tell is on Friday, items are to be theme related only. \*\***

\*No toys, only theme related items may be brought in on Friday for show & tell.

\*No open toe shoes or sandals.

Keep an eye on the door for any important information. Thank you, families for all your contributions and participation.

**\*\*Reminder, NO VPK December 25- January 5.**

Hope everyone has a safe & happy holiday.

Thank you,

Ms. Devi & Ms. Alycia



## Kitchen News

If you bring in a bag lunch for your child, please be sure that you have provided a note from your doctor stating that your child will receive lunch from home whether it be preference or medically necessary. Be sure all bagged lunches follow the nutritional guidelines.

**\*\*Reminder, lunch bags need to be labeled and include ice packs. Please also label all items in lunch bag as well.**

Parents with 'special' milk, please send in a new unopened carton of milk on Mondays and take home on Fridays. Unfortunately, some have gone bad being left over the weekends.

Any concerns with food or milk please feel free to stop me or leave me a note. Remember any items left in the refrigerator after Friday will be discarded.

**\*\*Remember to inform your child's teachers of any changes also.**

**\*\*Please take home all cups, containers, lunch bags daily. \*\*** We wouldn't want to discard your belongings (labeled or not), we just do not have the space to store.

**\*\* Remember we are a PEANUT FREE school\*\***

**\*\*Parents we please ask that you NOT send any seafood/shellfish of any kind with your child. We have a teacher that has a severe allergy, please be cautious and courteous. \*\***

Thank you  
Mrs. Amie



**\*\*\* Peanut & Seafood Free \*\*\***



# December 2023



Meal	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Wk. 1</b> <b>11/27-12/1</b> <b>12/26-12/30</b>					
Am Snacks	Oats Honey Granola Bar & Water	Graham Crackers & Apple Juice	Yogurt & Vanilla Wafers & Water	Cinnamon Raisin Toast & Apple Juice	Bananas & Water
Lunch	Chicken & Rice, Carrots, Applesauce & Milk	Turkey Hot Dogs (on Bun) w/ Baked Beans, Pears & Milk	Pasta w/ Alfredo Sauce, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, & Milk	Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Pineapples & Milk	Wow Butter/Jelly Sandwich, Peaches, Mixed Vegetables & Milk
PM Snacks	Saltine Crackers & String Cheese Apple Juice	Brownies & Water	Apple Cinnamon Fruit Bar & Water	Goldfish & Water	Nacho's w/Cheese & Water
<b>Wk. 2</b> <b>12/4-12/8</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
Am Snacks	Saltine Crackers W/ Sliced Cheese & Water	Animal Crackers & Apple Juice	Oatmeal Cookies & Water	Pretzels & Apple Juice	Peaches & Water
Lunch	Cheeseburger (on Bun) w/ Tater Tots, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges & Milk	Chicken Noodle Casserole, Pineapple, Carrots & Milk	Cheese Pizza, Mixed Fruit, Peas & Milk	Chicken Burritos, Peaches, Corn & Milk	French Toast, Sausage, Mixed Vegetables, Applesauce & Milk
PM Snacks	Cheez-It Crackers & Apple Juice	Organic Bunny Graham Cookies & Water	Club Cracker w/Jelly & Apple Juice	Popcorn & Water	Cake & Juice
<b>Wk. 3</b> <b>12/11-12/15</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
Am Snack	Blueberry Fruit Bars & Water	Graham Crackers & Apple Juice	Yogurt w/Vanilla Wafer & Water	Cinnamon Raisin Toast & Apple Juice	Bananas & Water
Lunch	Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Fruit & Milk	Macaroni & Cheese w/Turkey Hot Dogs, Pears, Green Beans & Milk	Rice, Meatballs, Corn, Applesauce & Milk	Chicken Nuggets, Tater Tots, Mandarin Oranges, Peas & Milk	Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Mixed Veg., Pineapple Chunks & Milk
PM Snacks	Cheez-Its & Apple Juice	Nacho's w/Cheese & Water	Cheese Ball Puffs & Apple Juice	Goldfish & Water	Cake & Apple Juice
<b>Wk. 4</b> <b>12/18-12/22</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
Am Snacks	Oatmeal Cookies & Water	Animals Crackers & Apple Juice	Saltine Crackers, String Cheese & Water	Pretzels & Apple Juice	Organic Bunny Graham Cookies & Water
Lunch	Beef-A-Roni, Green Beans, Pineapple & Milk	Cheese Pizza, Peas, Pears & Milk	Pancakes, Sausage links, Carrots, Mandarin Oranges, & Milk	Rice w/ Hamburger & Gravy, Corn, Applesauce & Milk	Cheese Quesadilla, Mixed Veg., Peaches & Milk
PM Snacks	Popcorn & Apple Juice	Chocolate/ Vanilla Pudding & Water	Blueberry Muffins & Apple Juice	Oats Honey Granola Bar & Water	Lorna Dunn Shortbread Cookies & Apple Juice