# January 2024 Newsletter

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### January 2024

January 1-2- Wellington Academy Closed- Winter Break (NO VPK)

January 8- VPK Return

January 12- Happy Birthday Wellington!

January 15- MLK/Teacher Duty Day-Wellington Closed

January 25- 100th day of VPK

January 31- Hot Chocolate Day

#### **Upcoming Events:**

February 1 - National Wear Red Day

February 2 - Groundhog Day

February 4 - Thank a Mailman Day

February 14 - Valentine's Day Fun

February 19 -Presidents Day Wellington Academy CLOSED

### Administrator's News...

Well, another year has passed, and we are jumping into 2024. Thank you for all your support and contributions to our classrooms, teachers, and children. 2023 was a year full of ups & downs for all of us, we send lots of well wishes to all into this new year. We are ready and hoping for a great year ahead.

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. \*\*

Parents, we use Procare as our communication. We ask that you please be mindful about keeping up to date with checking Procare. The teachers use Procare 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

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

Thank you,

Mrs. Millie and Ms. Shannon

#### January Curriculum

Theme: Winter Wonderland Colors: Blue & Silver Shapes: Hexagon & Diamond

O-2 years' old Letters: Letters: Q, R, S, T Numbers: 0, 1, 2

3-5 years' old Letters: Letters: Qq, Rr, Ss, Tt Numbers: 11, 12, 13





Students: Nolan K. 1/11 Maddox P. 1/18 Giovanni B. 1/24 Adeline P. 1/26

Staff: Ms. Stacey 1/17

Anniversary- Ms. Alycia- 1/5- Happy 1 year!! Ms. Shannon- 1/19- 14 yrs

### **Infant News**

Happy New Year!!

This month finds Xander pulling himself up and taking a few steps by holding onto objects. Theo is all over exploring the toys to walk with. Killua is doing great with tummy time. We want to welcome Ansley to Wellington. We would also like to welcome Knox!!

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, Ms. Alycia & Ms. Alexia

## **Developmental 1 News**

Brrrrrrr!! It's cold! This month we are learning all about winter

and the fun that it brings. Just because we don't get a traditional winter, it doesn't mean we can't explore the season in our own "Florida Wav".

Some of the fun things we will be doing include-

Trying on mittens and scarfs

Painting at the Easel with ice cubes

Painting giant blocks of ice with watercolor paints

Using white sock "snowballs" to throw into a basket (or have a snowball fight)

Painting on aluminum foil with blue and white glitter paint Fine motor- "shoveling snow" or building a cotton ball "snowman" Marching band to "Jingle Bells" or "flying like migrating birds" It's sure to be a great time! Maybe we will get lucky and get a few days of colder weather to explore as well.

#### 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 & Mrs. Cecelia

### **Developmental 2 News**

Take off those ugly sweaters and throw on some snow boots! We will be building snowmen, talking about where the winter animals stay warm. We will also be doing fun activities like ice painting and making crystals. Name recognition, shapes, colors, and numbers will also some activities we will be learning.

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
- \*\* 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

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays especially with what is going on in our crazy world. I want to thank all parents for helping all month long and with our Holiday party, the kiddos really enjoyed themselves. This month's theme is Winter Wonderland, and although Florida does not have a true snowy winter, we will be doing a fun science project in creating fake snow.

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!

- -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 Procare for more information.

Parents, please remember to be sure your child has extra clothes (weather appropiate) 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. Teylor & Ms. Carly

### **VPK News**

December went by so quickly; we enjoyed the holiday fun. Our Holiday program was great. We had so much fun for spirit week, book exchange and our Christmas party. Thank you to all our parents for making it all possible.

Well, what do you know winter is here and a new year? Our theme this month is Winter wonderland. We will learn about winter activities, animals that enjoy the winter season, what we wear in the winter and so much more. January 25<sup>th</sup> 100<sup>th</sup> day of VPK, we will dress as if 100yrs old, can't wait to see how everyone has aged.

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. VPK return January 8<sup>th</sup>

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 \*\*\*\*



| Meal                         | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
|------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| Wk. 1<br>1/1-1/5<br>1/29-2/2 |  |   |   |   |   |
| Am Snacks                    | Saltine Crackers W/<br>Sliced Cheese &<br>Water                                    | Animal Crackers &<br>Apple Juice  | Oatmeal Cookies &<br>Water  | Pretzels &<br>Apple Juice   | Peaches &<br>Water  |
| Lunch                        | Cheeseburger (on Bun)<br>w/ Tater Tots, Green<br>Beans, Mandarin<br>Oranges & Milk | Chicken Noodle<br>Casserole, Pineapple,<br>Carrots & Milk               | Cheese Pizza,<br>Mixed Fruit,<br>Peas & Milk                        | Chicken Burritos,<br>Peaches,<br>Corn & Milk                        | French Toast, Sausage, Mixed Vegetables, Applesauce & Milk            |
| PM Snacks                    | Cheez-It Crackers & Apple Juice  | Organic Bunny<br>Graham Cookies &<br>Water                              | Club Cracker w/Jelly & Apple Juice                                  | Popcorn &<br>Water  | Cake &<br>Juice   |
| Wk. 2<br>1/8-1/12            | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
| Am Snacks                    | Blueberry Fruit Bars &<br>Water  | Graham Crackers &<br>Apple Juice  | Yogurt w/Vanilla<br>Wafer & Water                                   | Cinnamon Raisin Toast & Apple Juice                                 | Bananas &<br>Water  |
| Lunch                        | Meat Loaf,<br>Mashed Potatoes,<br>Carrots, Mixed Fruit &<br>Milk                   | Macaroni & Cheese<br>w/Turkey Hot Dogs,<br>Pears, Green Beans &<br>Milk | Rice, Meatballs,<br>Corn,<br>Applesauce & Milk                      | Chicken Nuggets,<br>Tater Tots,<br>Mandarin Oranges,<br>Peas & Milk | Grilled Cheese Sandwich,<br>Mixed Veg.,<br>Pineapple Chunks &<br>Milk |
| PM Snacks                    | Cheese & Crackers Apple Juice  | Nacho's w/Cheese & Water  | Lorna Dunn<br>Shortbread Cookies &<br>Apple Juice                   | Goldfish<br>& Water   | Cheese Ball Puffs &<br>Apple Juice                                    |
| Wk. 3<br>1/15-1/19           | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
| Am Snack                     | Oatmeal Cookies &<br>Water   | Animals Crackers &<br>Apple Juice                                       | Saltine Crackers,<br>String Cheese &<br>Water                       | Pretzels &<br>Apple Juice   | Organic Bunny Graham<br>Cookies & Water                               |
| Lunch                        | Beef-A-Roni,<br>Green Beans,<br>Pineapple & Milk                                   | Cheese Pizza, Peas,<br>Pears & Milk                                     | Pancakes,<br>Sausage links, Carrots,<br>Mandarin Oranges,<br>& Milk | Rice w/ Hamburger &<br>Gravy, Corn,<br>Applesauce & Milk            | Cheese Quesadilla,<br>Mixed Veg., Peaches &<br>Milk                   |
| PM<br>Snacks                 | Popcorn &<br>Apple Juice   | Chocolate/ Vanilla<br>Pudding &<br>Water                                | Blueberry Muffins &<br>Apple Juice                                  | Oats Honey Granola Bar<br>& Water                                   | Lorna Dunn Shortbread<br>Cookies &<br>Apple Juice                     |
| Wk. 4<br>1/22-1/26           | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
| Am Snacks                    | Oats Honey Granola<br>Bar & Water  | Graham Crackers &<br>Apple Juice  | Yogurt & Vanilla<br>Wafers<br>& Water                               | Cinnamon Raisin Toast<br>& Apple Juice                              | Bananas &<br>Water  |
| Lunch                        | Chicken & Rice,<br>Carrots, Applesauce &<br>Milk                                   | Turkey Hot Dogs (on<br>Bun) w/<br>Baked Beans,<br>Pears & Milk          | Pasta w/ Alfredo<br>Sauce, Green Beans,<br>Mixed Fruit, & Milk      | Chicken Nuggets,<br>Mashed Potatoes, Peas,<br>Pineapples & Milk     | Wow Butter/Jelly<br>Sandwich, Peaches,<br>Mixed Vegetables & Milk     |
| PM Snacks                    | Saltine Crackers & String Cheese Apple Juice                                       | Brownies &<br>Water   | Apple Cinnamon Fruit<br>Bar &<br>Water                              | Goldfish &<br>Water   | Nacho's w/Cheese &<br>Water   |