My First School

JANUARY 2024

Happening this month at MFS...

Welcome Back! We hope everyone had a healthy and relaxing Christmas Break. We are excited to welcome the students back into the classrooms and we can't wait to get back in the swing of things.

January Theme: Wonderful Winter!

The 2's & 3's classrooms will be talking about transportation and winter. They will be focusing on the color white, the star shape, sorting items by shape, and the numbers 6 & 7.

The 3's & 4's classrooms will be working on re-telling and reenacting familiar stories, AB/ABC patterning, and counting from 1 to 20. They will talk about what animals do in winter and what the weather is like in winter. They will be identifying letters N/n, O/o, P/p, & Q/q, and the numbers 6 & 7

The Pre-K classes will be learning about artic animals, Ohio animals in winter, and hibernation. They will observe the changes in water (freezing, melting, precipitation, etc.) and continue to practice name writing. The letters this month are B/b, P/p, H/h and Y/y.

January Bible Stories

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego
Jesus Heals a Lame Man

David and Goliath

Important Dates:

- ♦ January 4 In-House Registration Starts
- ♦ January 15
 No School—MLK Day
 Open House 9:00-12:00
 Open Registration Starts
- ♦ February 13& 14 Classroom Valentine's Party
- ♦ February 16 & 19
 No School
 - February 26—March 1
 Dr. Seuss Wacky Week
- ♦ March 25—April 1 No School—Spring Break



2024-2025 Fall Registration

In-House Priority Registration has started for the 2023-2024 school year. Check your child's folder for a registration form. Be sure to register early to secure a spot for next school year! Please contact the office if you need additional forms.

Open Registration for new families will start

January 15.

Looking Ahead...

It has been brought to our attention that the Aurora City Schools has decided to close on Monday



April 8th, 2024 due to the Solar Eclipse that is expected to affect our area. Since My First School follows the Aurora City Schools in regards to closures and days off, The My First School Board has voted to close school on that day as well. We wanted to notify as soon as we could so that you are able to plan accordingly.

My First School Sick Policy

*Please keep your child home if they are not feeling well and are experiencing any of the following symptoms:

Fever of 100 or higher, headache, chills, lost of taste or smell, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, rash, congestion, runny nose, nausea or vomiting, muscle or body aches, or diarrhea.

*Children will be sent home from school if they display any of the above mentioned symptoms. If you have any questions in regards to our Communicable Disease Policy, please refer to page 6 of the Parent Handbook.

*If your child will not be in school, please contact the office at (330)562-8070. Be sure to give a reason why they will not be in class. If your child is diagnosed with any communicable disease (i.e. COVID, flu, RSV, strep throat, pink eye, etc.), please contact the office and let us know.

Watch Your Speed

Please remember that the parking lot speed is 5 miles an hour. Pickup and drop off times can be very crowded with cars pulling out often. For your safety and the safety of everyone in the MFS family please watch your speed as you are driving through the parking lot.

PLEASE SLOW

Thank you!

Outdoor Play

According to the National Resource Center for the Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education, "children should have ample opportunity to do moderate to vigorous activities, such as running, climbing, dancing, skipping, and jumping, to the extent of their abilities". During outdoor play, children learn about their environment, science, and nature.

As long as the temperature, including wind chill, is above 25 we will be going outside. This may mean time on the playground (if it is free of snow and ice) or a walk around the



building for some fresh air. Please remember to dress your child for the weather.