

# 2016

## January NEWSLETTER

*We are collecting soda can tabs to benefit a little boy named Finn. He was diagnosed with a serious heart condition that requires countless medical procedures and care. His parents, Kelly and Michael, are able to stay at the Ronald McDonald house with the help of donations and them turning in the soda can tabs. We would like to thank Daniel Scott's family for being so passionate about Finn and helping his family. You can read all about Finn and his family at:*

Link to Prayers for Finn FaceBook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/prayersforbabyfinn/>

Link to the family's GoFundMe page:

<https://www.gofundme.com/n86bv4>

*"Ronald McDonald House in Charlottesville is just a few blocks from the University of Virginia Medical Center, including the Children's Hospital. It offers families a refuge, a place where they can find comfort, as they face one of life's most unimaginable challenges: caring for a child who is seriously ill."*



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### Inclement Weather

As the winter months seem to be changing to a more traditional winter, please keep in mind that we DO NOT follow the Federal Government or the local school closings. If we are closing due to the weather, parents will be notified with as much advance notice as possible.

### Upcoming Dates

- Jan. 8th Super Hero Day
- Jan. 15th Pajama Day
- Jan. 18th MLK Day

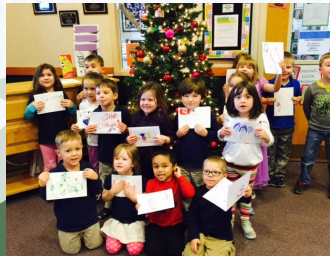
### We are OPEN

- Jan. 22nd Western Day
- Jan. 27th National Chocolate Cake Day



## Holiday Programs, a Great Success!

- A special thank you to everyone that participated in the Angel Tree Program. It brings great joy to us that we were able to bring a happy holiday to so many needy children. This would not have been possible without all of you!
- The Family Holiday Photo Session was a great success! It was wonderful to see the creative side of Ms. Shannon and what her imagination brought to life. The extra money that was raised from this was able to provide all of our teachers with a little special thank you.
- Our PreK class wrote letters to a little girl that lives in New York who lost her entire family in a fire. Her only wish this Holiday season was to receive cards. Since sharing her story, she has received an entire truck load! We are happy that we were able to be a part of this!



## Friendly Reminders

- Tuition is due the Friday before the upcoming week. A late fee will be assessed to your account if payments are not made on time.
- Check your child's cubby for extra clothes.
- Please remember to sign your child in and out every day.
- We are a nut free school. We cannot allow any nut products to be brought into the school due to allergies of others.
- Please keep in mind that we have a 24 hour sick policy. This is for children as well as staff. This is to ensure the health of all of us and to limit the spread of illnesses.

## Crock Pot Potato Soup

### Ingredients

- 1 bag (30 oz) frozen hash-brown potatoes
- 2 cans (14 oz ea) chicken broth
- 1 can (10.75 oz) cream of chicken soup
- 1/2 C chopped onion
- 1/3 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 pkg (8 oz) cream cheese, softened

In a crock pot, combine potatoes, broth, soup, onion, and pepper. Cover, and cook on low for 5 hours. Stir in cream cheese, cook 30 minutes, stirring occasionally, until combined.

Garnish with green onion, and/or Cheddar and bacon if desired.



Great for that winter weather!