# January 2025 Newsletter

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#### January 2025

January 1-3 Winter Break (NO VPK)

January 1- Wellington Closed

January 6- VPK Return

January 12- Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wellington!

January 20- MLK/Teacher Duty Day-Wellington Closed

January 22- 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 17- Presidents Day Wellington Academy CLOSED

### Administrator's News...

Well, another year has passed, and we are jumping into 2025. Thank you for all your support and contributions to our classrooms, teachers, and children. 2024 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 1st of the month; if paying semimonthly, payment is due on the 1st & 15th; 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.

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

0-2 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: Brooklyn B. 1/5 Christopher L. 1/8 Theo C. 1/9 Giovanni B. 1/24 Adeline P. 1/26

Staff: Ms. Stacey 1/17

Anniversary- Ms. Alycia- 1/5- Happy 2 year!!

Ms. Shannon- 1/19- 15 yrs

### **Infant News**

Happy New Year!!

We hope you had a safe and happy holiday(s)! Charlie and Natalie have ventured their way into the one year old classroom, where we wish them tons of happiness and growth. We welcome Lila back from vacation, she is now standing/pulling herself up on everything. Margot is also pulling herself up and standing! Noah has started on school lunch, and is standing on his own! Ansley is now saying "Hi!", "Purple", and "Nana(banana)"! Zion blows kisses, and waves. We hope this year brings you joy!

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. Rhiannon & Ms. Alexia

### **Developmental 1 News**



Brrrrrr!! 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 Way".

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 possible.
- \*\* Girls must wear shorts underneath dresses.
- \*\* Please remember to wear closed toe shoes always, <u>crocs are only to be worn when potty training!</u> Once your child is potty trained, please wear closed toe shoes.
  - \*\* No food and drinks in the classroom.

Thank you, Mrs. Monica & Mrs. Elizabeth

### 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. Alycia

### **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 22<sup>nd</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 23-January 3. VPK return January 6<sup>th</sup>

Hope everyone has a safe & happy holiday.
Thank you,
Ms. Devi





### 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 Wk. 1 12/30-1/3 1/27-1/31	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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
Wk. 2 1/6-1/10	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Am Snacks	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	Cheese & Crackers Apple Juice	Nacho's w/Cheese & Water	Lorna Dunn Shortbread Cookies & Apple Juice	Goldfish & Water	Cheese Ball Puffs & Apple Juice
Wk. 3 1/13-1/17	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Am Snack	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
Wk. 4 1/20-1/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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