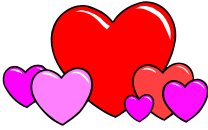


# The Walden School February 2018



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**It's Fall Registration time!**  
**Forms are at the front desk and are due by March 8th.**

### FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

- 2 Groundhog Day!  
*Will the groundhog see his shadow?*
- 2 Walden School Spirit Day!  
*Wear your Walden T-shirt.*
- 8 **OPEN HOUSE!**  
*For 2018 Kindergarten*
- 14 **Valentine's Day Parties**  
*(see article to the right)*
- 16 Kindergarten -  
*100th Day of School!*
- 16 *Early dismissal for only FBISD (not Walden's Private school)*
- 19 *President's Day - Weather Make-Up Day for Private Kindergarten and FBISD*
- 20 *Library field trip for Kindergarten*
- 23 *Go Texan Day! Wear Your Western Clothing*
- 27 *Dental Hygienist Visits*

### Valentine's Day Parties

Here's how we do it at Walden School for Valentine's Day parties. Each child brings enough valentine cards for their classmates. Leave the envelope blank so that your child may pass out his/her own valentines. Our party will be **Wednesday, February 14th** from 10:30 to 12p.m. for Toddlers through Pre-K and 1:30-2:30p.m. for Kindergarten. **ONLY** store purchased products may be brought in for the party. Below is a list of the numbers your child will need for the party.

- Kindergarten ..... 8 cards
- Pre- K 2 ..... 15 cards
- Pre-K 1 ..... 15 cards
- Pre-school 1 ..... 13 cards
- Pre-school 2 ..... 14 cards
- Young 3's ..... 21 cards
- Toddler 1 ..... 15 cards
- Infants ..... 8 cards
- Nursery ..... 6 cards



### Kindergarten Open House Thursday, February 8th

If your child is currently in Pre-Kindergarten and you are interested in attending our Private Kindergarten, please join Mrs. Paula, and her NAEYC Accredited Kindergarten program. Come enjoy a stimulating open house and see the difference an accredited program can offer. The meeting is Thursday, February 8, and will promptly begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 6:30 p.m. We will be happy to provide child-care while you attend the meeting. Registration during February is limited to current Walden School students only.

### Dental Hygienist to Visit

February is Dental Health month, and to help our children learn about the importance of good dental hygiene, Nikki from Dr. Stamper's office, will be visiting on Tuesday, February 27th. Nikki will be in the following classrooms at these times:



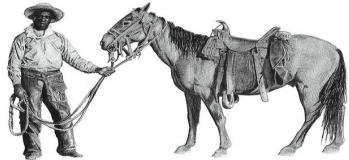
- Toddler & Young 3's  
at 10:00
- Pre-school 1 & 2  
at 10:20
- Pre-K 1 & 2  
at 10:40
- Kindergarten  
at 11:00

**Brush your teeth!**

### GO TEXAN DAY

Friday, February 23rd

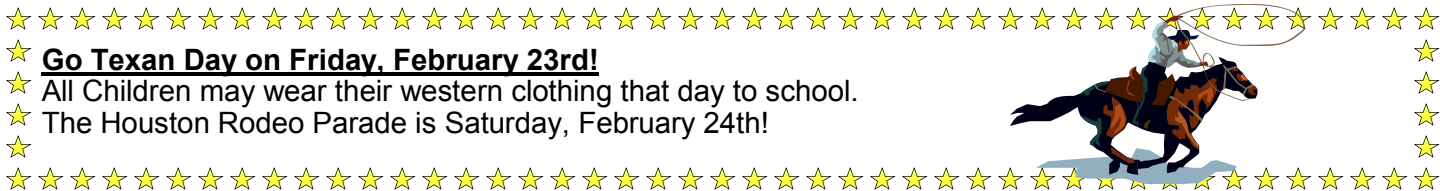
We will have our annual "Go Texan Day" parade at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate the Trail Riders. Infants will again lead the way with the "Chuck Wagon". Come to school dressed in your best western gear! All are welcome!



### Spirit Day

**Friday, February 2nd**

**Wear your Walden t-shirt!**



- ★ **Go Texan Day on Friday, February 23rd!**
- ★ All Children may wear their western clothing that day to school.
- ★ The Houston Rodeo Parade is Saturday, February 24th!

## **Topics for February colors: red and pink, shapes: heart and Texas**

### **Nursery and Infants**

Our Nursery and Infants students will be exploring textures by participating in various tactile experiences. Nursery will paint on Texas, hearts, valentine projects, and have applesauce play. Infants will spend the month exploring different media like paint and crayons. They will explore shapes with activities using doilies, Texas shapes, horses, cows, boots, hearts, balloons and basic shapes. Textures will be explored with colors, stickers, contact paper, bubbles, sour cream, pink cool-whip, cottage cheese, beans, rice, oatmeal, and ice cubes. We will explore ball play, jumping, and balancing. Daily we continue to enjoy parachute play, balls, books, shapes and blocks. A note on classroom safety: Space in our entrance is small, and we do have some children in the nursery often sleeping, and/or in the open area. As always, please be considerate of sleeping babies and keep your voice soft when entering the classroom. For safety reasons, we ask that you do not bring your child's older brothers and sisters into the Nursery. Thank you!

### **Toddlers**

February is such a busy month! We will have the rodeo coming, Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, celebrate Black History Month, and let's not forget Dental Health Week. Toddlers will be introduced to many kinds of animals big and small. We will talk about the importance of dental hygiene. Our Valentine's Day party is Wednesday, February 14. Watch for the sign-up list for party items. Be sure to check your child's cubby daily. Please be sure your child has extra clothing and enough diapers daily. Toddlers will:

- Learn about cowboys and what they do.
- Learn about Rodeo and livestock animals. Study how livestock live.
- Talk about February holidays: Valentine's Day and President's Day.
- Work on pre-academic skills such as opposites (hard/soft, up/down, heavy/light) and learning animal sounds.
- Work on physical skills such as galloping like a horse and playing follow-the-leader, and fine motor skills like lacing and painting.

### **Young Threes**

Our February activities will include the fun holiday of Chinese New Year, Valentines Day, Black History Month, Dental Health, and Rodeo along with ranch life. Along with all these exciting subjects, we will also be exploring the many ways movement fills our life with a unit called "Let's Move." We will learn about how our bodies move, the different parts of our bodies, and how to play and move together using games, music, and literature as our learning tools. We will continue to explore different media in our art activities and fine motor skills. February IS a busy month!

### **Pre-School**

Preschoolers will learn about Valentine's Day, Black History Month, Chinese New Year, and talk about the careers of Dental Health workers and other community helpers this month. We look forward to the Tooth Fairy's visit, and we will create some "shadow" excitement talking about Ground Hog Day, Texas, and seasonal change. We'll fill the first half of the month with hearts and Valentine expressions of love and friendship!

- We will begin writing letters H, V, R, and U on our own.
- Continue counting and recognizing the numbers 1-10.
- Remember to wear your Texas Proud Western clothes on Friday, February 23rd.

### **Pre-Kindergarten**

Pre-Kindergarten will:

- Learn about February events like Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, President's Day, Black History month, and Ground Hog Day.
- Work on pre-academic skills such as recognizing and counting numbers 1-30, numeration for numbers 11-20, and recognizing and generating rhyming words.
- We will work on recognizing by sight and sound the letters V, J and H.
- Kick off our Rodeo/Texas topic with Go Texan Day, Friday, February 23rd.
- Begin story dramatization and dictation.
- **Parents: Be sure to attend the Kindergarten Open House on February 8th with Mrs. Paula!**

### **Kindergarten**

The 100th Day of School will be celebrated on Friday, February 16th! The day will be filled with math and STEAM activities involving the number 100. Be sure to take a look at the Hall of 100! Along with Valentine's Day, we will also be learning about Black History month, Chinese New Year, The United States, Dental Health, President's Day, and our Houston Rodeo with art and craft activities and cultural projects to help understand more about each event and it's importance.

Important Kindergarten Dates:

- Wednesday, February 14th, Valentine's Day Party from 1:30—2:30p.m.
- Friday, February 16th, 100th Day of School Celebration
- Monday, February 19th is President's Day and we WILL have class as it is a weather make-up day.
- Tuesday, February 20th we will visit the First Colony Library. Wear your Walden t-shirt.