March Bulletin—2017

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Dear Families,

We had a great month during the month of February. Thanks to the P3 for the best Friendship dance ever! It was a huge event and everyone had a fantastic time. Students have been working hard this month learning about Black History and the Presidents of the United States. Please be reminded that we have the Special Olympics coming up with our partners at Discover U. We look forward to having an amazing time. Finally, we will have parent/teacher conferences on April 5th and 6th. Please keep your eyes open for correspondence from your child's teacher. Have a great spring break and take time to enjoy your family!

Car Line—Please follow the car line route. This is for your child's safety. We want to avoid children crossing in front of other cars.

Attendance—Reminder, if your child is out sick or needs to leave early, please call the front office.

Before/After Care—MySchoolBucks—Wednesday the week prior to when you need child care is the cutoff day to sign up. Otherwise you will be charged the drop-in rate vs. the scheduled rate for the week. Their website is www.myschoolbucks.com. If you have any issues with signing up or making payment through MySchoolBucks, please give them a call at 1-855-832-5226.

If you would like to meet with your child's teacher to schedule a meeting or convey a message, please be respectful of their families and home life and contact them only between the hours of **8 am—4:30 pm**. We appreciate your understanding and assistance with this.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me, Gena, or any of the teachers at 623-979-9593.

Sincerely,

Shawn U. Davis

Upcoming Events

March 2—Discover U Special Olympics

March 3—End of 3rd Quarter

March 7—Spring Picture Day

March 13-24—Spring Break

March 13—17—Spring Break Camp—Students must enroll to attend.

More Information

Shoparoo—If you haven't done so, please take a moment to download the Shoparoo app onto your phone. It's an easy way to help the school raise funds. If you have any questions, please call the front office.

Other Resources

Free—GOALS Soccer for kids with and without special needs. For more information visit kickingoals.org

Free—West Valley Lego Club
1st Wednesday of the month.
See Gena for more details.

Free—The Autism Toolbox. Behavior & Support Workshops
Go to AZANOW. org for details.

Handbook Reminder

Illness—If your child has a temperature of 100.0 or higher, diarrhea, or vomiting, they must be symptom free for 24 hours without medication before they will be permitted to return to school. If your child is sick, please keep them home. This will help keep the spread of illness to a minimum.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

~Nelson Mandela

More Important News

Expressive Language and Comprehension:

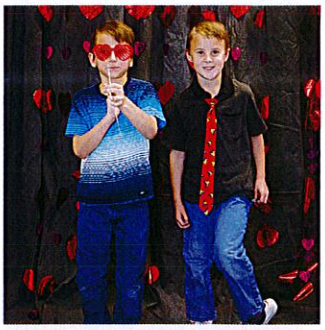
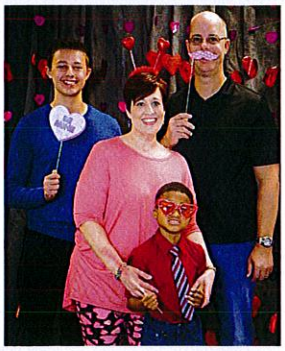
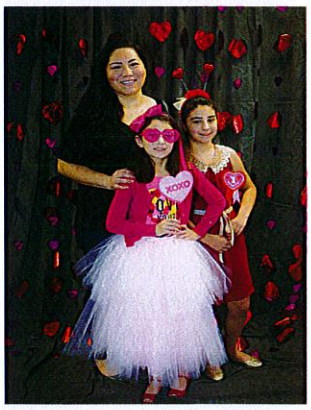
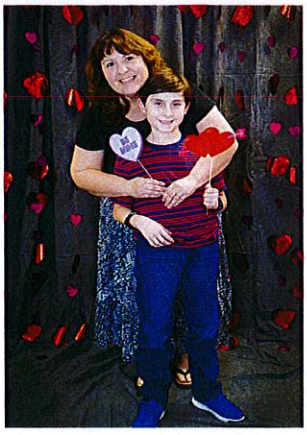
Books are a great way to elicit expressive language and comprehension in children. The important thing to remember when reading books with your child it to ask OPEN ENDED questions. This takes some practice but the best way to help children talk more is to ask them a question where they generate their own answers. For example, "What is she doing?" "How is he feeling?" "What's happening in this picture?" These are open ended questions versus yes or no questions or questions with one word answers.

We Need You!

Please consider joining our school parent group P3 as our students can greatly benefit from your involvement and contributions to the school's program and its operations. We seek volunteers to help us with the following activities:

1) Teacher-led instructional support, when requested.
2) Participating in field trips.
3) School-wide events.
4) Student recognition events.
5) Outreach and recruitment of parent and community volunteers.
6) School fundraising options. Download Shoparoo on your smart phone. It's a simple way to help our school raise fund.

WHY WE ARE THE BEST!!!

Autism Academy for Education and Development is the right piece of the puzzle. A puzzle piece only fits in one right place and at Autism Academy we are the right place for your child's education. We offer customized programming designed to meet your child's individual needs and we place your child's education together one piece at a time. Every puzzle piece, like every child is unique at our school! Autism Academy…A school where your child fits.

Highlights from the P3 Friendship Dance