

Ms. Luca and Mrs. Premus UPK Newsletter



We enjoyed meeting with you at Parent Teacher conferences! Our unit this month will be transportation and holidays around the world. We sent home a survey asking what holidays and traditions your family celebrates. Please return them as soon as possible. We invite you to come make a gingerbread house with your child on **Tuesday, December 17th at 2:30 pm**. We wish you a wonderful holiday break with your family!

Happy Birthday to: Class 001: Shane 12/22



Parent Involvement

12/17 - Gingerbread Houses, 2:30pm

Important Dates

12/6 - Holiday Fair

12/6 - Pretzel Day

12/16 - "Frozen" Sing-a-Long, 9:00am - Wear your best Elsa/Anna/Olaf costumes!

12/16-12/20 - Holiday Spirit Week

12/20 - Polar Express Day: Wear your pajamas to school! Notices will be sent home with more information.

12/23-1/1/20 - Winter Recess - School resumes on 1/2/20

1/3 - Home School Connection books due



Suggested Books

- *Boats*, by Byron Barton
- *Planes*, Byron Barton
- *My Car*, Byron Barton
- *Trains*, Byron Barton
- *Airport*, Byron Barton



Themes

- Transportation
- Holidays Around the World



Wish List



- Juice/Water and Dixie Drinking Cups
- Empty and cleaned baby food jars
- An additional wish list will be sent home to help us during or Holidays Around the World Unit

Dance with Ms. LaGrotta

During dance class in December, Pre-K classes will be continuing identifying and demonstrating isolated dance moves of various body parts, locomotor and non-locomotor movements, and dancing with different tempos and rhythms. We will continue practicing classroom routines, and making green choices!

PTA News



The PTA would like to give a big Thank you to all those who came to our "Bowling With the Panthers" event! It was so much fun! A special shout out to the teachers and staff that came along with their families to make this event extra special!

Friday, December 6th is our Pretzels for Panthers day! Only \$1 for a delicious pretzel!

Also Friday, December 6th is our Holiday Fair, where parents are also invited along for some fun holiday shopping with their little ones! Please see teacher class times for a schedule.

David & Buster's power play cards are on sale now! A great gift idea your loved ones can use during the holiday week off and support our school!

Shop with a smile on amazon and proceeds will go directly to our Petrides PTA! Please use [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) select Michael J. Petrides in the drop down box and amazon will give 0.5% of your purchase as a donation to our PTA (prices are exactly the same!)

We hope that you can join us for our next PTA meeting on Wednesday, December 18th at 6:30pm.

A Message From Ms. Ponzi



Dear Families,

It was so nice to see so many of you attend our Parent Teacher Conferences last month. Communication and collaboration between families and school is extremely beneficial for the success of our students, so we THANK YOU!

I encourage and appreciate your continued support at upcoming Parents as Partners events. It was so nice to see parents up at school this past month to assist at workshops in the classroom, shop at the book fair, and enjoy SING! I look forward to seeing you again soon!

Please continue to dress your child appropriately for the changing weather. We are continuing to send children outside for recess and physical education class when the weather permits.

As we approach the holiday season, let us remember the importance of family, friends, and fun! I wish you and your families a very Happy and Healthy holiday season with your loved ones.

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

**Happy
Holidays!**