



January 2017



Monthly Activities

Happy New Year

Welcome back to school and a Happy New Year. We hope that you all had an enjoyable and peaceful holiday.

Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Your child's teacher is looking forward to meeting with you so she can share your child's growth and development since the start of the school year. Sign up sheets will be posted this month on each 2—5 year old classroom door with the dates and times. Please remember that conferences should take no longer than 15 minutes and as a courtesy to others please let us know in advance if you can **NOT** make it for the time you signed up!

Newsletter:

To access the newsletters and weekly classroom letters on our website please visit www.andoveracademy.net. you will need a password to access the weekly letters

Facebook:

It has been brought to our attention that some parents are placing pictures taken at Andover Academy on their Facebook Website. We know that you have good intentions, however, we have to ask that only your children be shown.

Important:

Please, please, please hold your child's hands prior to exiting the school. Unfortunately, we have parents who still **DO NOT** drive at an appropriate speed. We are also now asking the parents to **PLEASE end all cell phone conversations** prior to entering the school. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Tuition:

Please help us by writing your child's full name on your check, if it differs.

Important Matters and Reminders

UPCOMING EVENTS

Class Pictures Tuesday February 7th

The children will be taking class pictures on **Tuesday February 7th**

Please dress them accordingly.

Holiday Closing Dates

January 16th Martin Luther King Day



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After School Activities

**Tuesday 3:15—
4:00pm**

Ballet \$50 monthly

Yoga \$40 Monthly

Wednesday 3:00-3:45pm

Kidokinetics \$40 monthly

Thursday 3:00-

Gymnastics \$50.00

monthly

Friday 3:00-4:00pm

Soccer \$40 monthly

If you are interested in any of these classes please see Ms. Coleen in the front office about signing up.





Check This Out!



Resolution Magnet

Encourage kids to remember their New Year's resolutions with this magnet craft - just stick it on the fridge and you'll see it several times a day!

You will need:

Craft foam in white and a bright color
Permanent marker
Glitter glue
Glue
Magnetic strip

To make:

Draw around your hand on the bright foam.

Cut a small rectangle out of white foam. It needs to be small enough to fit on the palm.

Write a resolution on the rectangle and glue it to the palm of the foam hand.

Fold over the thumb of the hand and glue it down so it is 'holding' the resolution.

On the fingers of the hand write the year with glitter glue.

On the back of the hand glue the magnetic strip. Now display!



Make a Time Capsule!

This is an idea which makes a super family project - and tradition! Get the kids to make a "time capsule" for the year ahead, and fill it, together, as the year goes on - with photos, ticket stubs, copies of certificates won, birthday cards, writing samples, and anything else with meaning to your family. At the end of the year store it away safely and make a new time capsule for the year ahead. You will have a memory-filled container for each year which you will all treasure in the future.

You will need:

A used large snack tub
Paint
PVA (white) glue
Decorations (sequins, ribbons, lace etc)

Instructions:

Rinse out your snack tub. When the tub is dry, paint it. Tip: Mix a small amount of glue into the paint to help preserve it.

When dry, paint the tub with a layer of PVA glue. Stick on your decorations. You can use shiny numbers to add the date and sequin stars to embellish.

Now you can either fill your tub with precious mementos from now, or keep it open and add to it throughout the year before putting it away

Memory Box

Make a memory box at the beginning of a New Year. It is a great way for children to think about what they have done and achieved over the previous year, and makes a super memory to pull out once a year and enjoy as a family. **You will need:**

A shoebox
Paint or wrapping paper
Small photos

To make:

Paint or cover a shoebox. Draw or paint the year (just passing) on to the lid. Cut out lots of small photos taken this year and glue to the box to decorate.

Fill the box with tickets, leaflets, photos, certificates and other mementos to help you remember all the things you have done this year.

Savings Jar

It is quick and easy for kids to make their very own savings jar craft - great for encouraging them to save up during the year!

You will need:

Old coffee jar
Sparkly stickers including numbers

To make:

Decorate the jar with stickers. Use the number stickers to spell out the year. Doesn't it look great!

Andover Academy, Making Learning Fun

Mission Statement: Andover Academy strives to provide a quality education in a safe, nurturing environment where each child may grow at his or her own pace. Our staff is committed to children and encourages a love of learning. Open communication and parent participation are essential to our program.

A Big Thanks!: To all the many families who continue to donate toys, books, furniture, and many other items too numerous to list, we thank you ever so much.

Tuition: Please help us by writing your child's full name on your check, if it differs from the name imprinted on the check. Thank you for your understanding.