

Greetings from the York Academy:

Dress Code Reminder

THE DRESS CODE

Please be reminded that the Board of Trustees established a Dress Code for all students at the Academy. Recently, several students have arrived at school wearing clothing that is not in compliance with the Dress Code. There are two issues that have appeared in the recent weeks that needs to be addressed. The Dress Code requires students to wear shoes that are predominantly black, brown, white, or navy.

In addition, the Dress Code requires tights to be a solid color and must be black, brown, white, or navy.

Prior to sending children to school, please make sure they are dressed according to the school's Dress Code. Our staff will provide a warning to the child and send a letter notifying the parent of the violation. Should there continue to be repeated violations of the Dress Code, the progressive discipline policy will be applied.

As a parent/guardian of a student in our school, please assist us in maintaining our high expectations of our students.

Birthday Treat Reminder

Please be reminded that non-healthy birthday treats brought into the classroom are not acceptable. The school does not permit home baked products to be distributed to children. Should any food item be brought to school for distribution, it must be packaged from the manufacturer and must be packaged in individual bags. The food item will be given to the children at dismissal and may not be consumed in the classroom or on the bus.



The York Academy cafeteria offers, for purchase, a birthday basket which contains a healthy snack for each child in the classroom, a birthday card, and balloon. If interested, please contact the school office for an order form.



Early Dismissal and President's Day

Friday, February 17, 2017 is a scheduled Early Dismissal. Students will be dismissed beginning at 12:15 p.m. This day will also be a "Dress Down Day" for all students. Those students wishing to Dress Down should bring a dollar donation that will go to the school's PTO. Please make the necessary arrangements to have children picked up at the school no later than 12:30 p.m.

Monday, February 20, 2017 is President's Day and school will not be in session. Classes will resume Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at the regularly scheduled time. Do enjoy the extended weekend.

Second Trimester Clubs Coming to an End

Please be advised that second trimester clubs are coming to an end and will end on the following dates: Monday clubs end March 13; Tuesday clubs end February 28; Wednesday clubs end March 1; and Thursday clubs end March 2. Tuesday's Leap Into Science ended on February 14, 2017, and WIN will be continuing into the third trimester.



CHEESE!

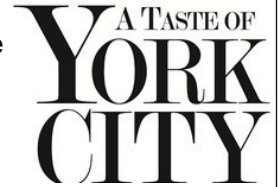


Spring Picture Day

On Wednesday, March 1, Lifetouch will be taking spring pictures of students. Picture packets will be sent home with students which contain all necessary information on Friday, February 17, 2017. This will be a "Dress Up" day with a class photo being taken as well as individual photos. The class picture must be ordered and paid for in advance.

Taste of York

Friday, February 24, 2017, the York Academy will be a part of the Taste of York event. One of our students, Sam Brenner, is working with several staff members to create the centerpiece for the York Academy table. Sam is focusing his attention on the use of technology. Watch the newspapers for coverage of the event.



Second Grade Dance Showcase

The Second Grade Class would like to invite friends and families to attend the Dance Showcase on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the York Academy Gymnasium. Students will be showcasing dances from various countries and sharing facts that they have researched.

Student-Led Conference for Primary Year Parents/Guardians

As the second trimester comes to a close, the York Academy will be scheduling Student-Led Conferences. Conferences will be scheduled Thursday, March 9 and Friday, March 10. As these dates approach, parents/guardians will receive more detailed directions on the process of scheduling the conference.



Middle Year Conferences

Conferences for Middle Year Programme students will be structured differently. If needed, conferences will be scheduled Thursday, March 9 and Friday, March 10. The teaching staff will be distributing information about the scheduling of conferences.

Read Across America



Read Across America Day is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place yearly on March 2, which is Dr. Seuss' birthday. The purpose is to connect students and books. Dr. Seuss is the creator of the beloved Cat in the Hat as well as other memorable characters such as the Grinch, Thing 1 and Thing 2. His timeless rhymes and illustrations have delighted children for decades and given many people their first memories of reading.

Theodor Seuss Geisell was the given name of the author best know as Dr. Seuss. He died on September 24, 1991 at the age of 87 in La Jolla, California. At the Academy, we will honor Dr. Seuss and his creations in several ways, primarily within classes and grade levels. Watch out for the hat parade!

Please spend time reading every day, not just March 2nd or that week. A good book can be your escape from the world for a while, or can give you valuable information about something you are interested in.

100 Men Read Event

The York Academy will participate in the 100 Men Read Event scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017. Any male parent or guardian that would like to participate in this event should email: marquez.mitchell100men@yahoo.com or visit www.yorkcity.org for additional information. Participants must have clearances to read to our children.



The York Academy does have available packets of information that provides all of the information necessary to secure the necessary clearances; however, any participant that needs assistance to secure clearances should plan to attend a session on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the York Academy Media Center and our staff will assist with the clearance process. There is no cost for this service.