# EMMANUEL CHILD CARE MATTERS FEBRUARY 2025

Welcome to fabulous February! February is filled with so many interesting days. We all wait for Groundhog's Day to see if we will have more snow and ice that will extend the days of winter or a winter thaw that suggests a promise of an early spring. It's a time of special days and celebrations... Presidents Day, Valentine's Day and of course, the Super Bowl! February provides us with the opportunity to discover how some of the celebrations during the month can develop our Christian faith. Presidents Day reminds us that our first President George Washington was a Christian. Washington was a godly man of humble character and sterling commitment to the Lord. Valentine's Day is one of the most popular of all holidays and gives us the chance to celebrate and share God's love with others. The great news is that God's love is something we can celebrate and share every day of the year!

#### Mother Teresa said that Love is a fruit in season...

"At all times and within reach of every hand!

Spread love everywhere you go

First of all, in your own house

Give love to your children to your husband or wife

To a next-door neighbor

Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier

Be the living expression of God's kindness.

Kindness in your face

Kindness in your eyes

Kindness in your smile

Kindness in your warm greeting!"

## Happy birthday to you ...

## **Amara S February 25**



Families are welcome to bring in treats to celebrate their child's birthday. Please see your child's teacher with any questions

#### Take note of these closing dates!

Presidents Day: February 17 (Monday)

Memorial Day: May 26 (Monday)

Independence Day: July 4

Please note that we are closed the entire week of June 30-July 4 due to roof repairs & replacement to the building. Parents will receive a 4-day credit but will be charged for the July 4 holiday

Labor Day: September 1 (Monday)

Thanksgiving: November 27 & 28 (Thursday & Friday)

Christmas: December 25 & 26. We will also send out a survey regarding Christmas Eve Day later in

the fall.

#### **Spring Fundraiser News**

Our annual spring fundraiser runs from February 28- March 14. We are using the on-line Charleston Wrap Fundraiser again. We have received great feedback on the quality & variety of products available. Fundraiser packets will be passed out at the end of the month.

#### **Staff Development Day**

We are currently working on our staff development day in April and need to confirm our trainers before we send out a notice. This spring we will be working on our CPR & First Aid Re-certification, focusing on the centers EOP drills & review and looking into additional trainings. These Staff Development Days help us to meet CCLU requirements and to also be prepared to meet any health, safety and emergency situations.

### **Picture Day**

Clix will be coming back to the center on Friday, April 18 for picture day! We have always been pleased with the time the photographers take with the children and how nice the pictures come out. Reminders will be sent out in April.

