

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

March 4-7 - Teacher Appreciation Week

March 11-14 - Spring Break

March 21 - Spirit/Pizza Day

March 21 - Online Scholastic book orders due

March 25 - Dine and Donate at Jakes Gameday 5-8PM March 27 - Spirit/Pizza Day

March 31 - Ascension's Egg Hunts (see details below) Save the Dates:

April 1 - Easter Monday/Student & Staff Holiday

April 2 - Easter Chapel & Egg Hunts @ 9:10AM

April 16 - Chapel with "Dudes" @ 9AM

April 26 - Family Picnic 4:30-6:30PM (see page 7) May 7 - Chapel with "Ma'ams" @ 9AM

## **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**



#### ADS Teacher Appreciation Week March 4-7, 2024

Parent Council is working hard to spoil our ADS teachers. Please join in the celebration!

Here are some ideas: -Have your child make a card or draw a picture -Bring a flower (a vase will be in each classroom) -Bring something on your teacher's favorites list (e.g. a sweet treat, drink or lunch) -Be creative & keep it simple

## **MARCH THEMES**

March 4-7 Traditional Fairy Tales & Folklore (& Teacher Appreciation Week!) March 11-14 Spring Break March 18-21 Welcome Spring March 25-28 The True Story of Easter





LIBRARY NEWS: Ms. Wendling will have a substitute on Wednesday, March 6th. Pre-K students will return books this day, but will not check out new books to take home.

#### **ASCENSION'S EGG HUNTS-SUN MARCH 31**

An Egg Hunt in the courtyard will be held for kids under the age of 4 at 10 a.m. Ascension will hold their 10:30 a.m. service and following the service an Egg Hunt for children over 4 years old will be held at 11:45 a.m. on the big playground along with other activities. Childcare is provided during the entire event (activities for older children during the young egg hunt and childcare for young children during the older egg hunt).

# ADS EASTER CHAPEL & EGG HUNTS-TUES APR 2

Please drop off 12 pre-filled eggs (taped closed) to your child's teacher by March 28th for our Easter egg hunts. Easter chapel and egg hunts will be held on April 2nd. Easter chapel will begin at 9:10 a.m. with egg hunts following. Families are welcome to attend. Want to help hide eggs before each hunt? Please email adsadmin@ascensiondallas.org to volunteer.

Egg Hunt location and times: Toddlers - Small playground 9:30 a.m. Twos - Courtyard 9:30 a.m. Threes - Courtyard 10:00 a.m. PreK - Big playground 9:30 a.m.



The Easter Bunny plans to stop by!

## DINE AND DONATE-MAR 25, 5-8 PM

Dine and Donate will be at Jakes Gameday on Skillman again! Come any time between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Please mention ADS when you dine in, take-out or make a to-go order (directly through the restaurant, not 3rd party) so our school receives credit. See you there!

#### **SUMMER CAMP AT ADS**

We are thrilled to have so many of our students camping with us this summer. We've had over 100 students sign up. Thank you for being patient with us during registration.

We currently have openings in our older camps for students in 1st through 3rd grade. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please have them reach out to adsadmin@ascensiondallas.org or sign up directly with the link. You can also jump on our waitlist for younger ages here. https://forms.gle/zyfMJwSGHX4pKtaN6

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

3/1 Matthew K. 3/3 Ava C. 3/4 Lola B. 3/7 Parker W. 3/9 Ms. Nancy 3/9 Presley R. 3/12 Murphy S. 3/19 Grace O. 3/21 Ms. Ana. 3/23 Luke M. 3/26 Halle P. 3/31 Ms. Amanda









#### Summer Camp 2024

New 2's class is now open for the June session. Ms. Erin and Ms. Annie (CCDC teacher) will be leading the class. Please fill out this link if you are interested: https://forms.gle/zyfMJwSGHX 4pKtaN6 1

#### **TEACHER SPOTLIGHTS**

#### Ms. Jana-

Ms. Jana has been teaching preschool for the past 18 years and this is her 7th year at Ascension. She greets her students each morning with a hug and she loves teaching the twos class because there is so much growth in their abilities and social skills. Ms. Jana is a consistent face in both Early Risers and Stay & Play.

Jana is the proud mother of three wonderful children: Kohl (27) served our country as a member of the Elite Firing Party in the Honor Guard in Arlington, Virginia and is a junior in the Corp of Cadets at Texas A&M majoring in Business. Her middle son, Koen (25), is a graduate of Texas A&M University and is a financial analyst for Wells Fargo. Her daughter, Eva (21), is also a graduate of Texas A&M and is currently a member of the legal audit team for Wells Fargo. In her free time she loves to shop, watch College Football and the Cowboys, outdoor dining with friends, exploring new foods, baking, and spending lots of time with her family.

#### Ms. Ana-

Ms. Ana came to ADS from the Spanish School House and this is her 7th year at Ascension. She began as our Spanish teacher, but loves being in the classroom full time. She is also one of our dedicated teachers in Early Risers and Stay & Play. Ms. Ana has such a gentle and kind spirit that her choice of profession is a natural fit here at ADS. She says that her favorite part of being around children is to watch their minds grow over the course of the year and the unconditional love they show. She loves to sing, dance and teach her little two-year-olds.

She has one daughter, Sophia, who is attending college in Arlington, at UTA. Her passions outside of caring for children are staying fit, relaxing and travel. In fact, over the last few years she has been able to visit Italy, Spain, France, Greece, and India! **Ms. Erin-**

When Ms. Erin learned in junior high that 90% of brain growth happens before Kindergarten, she knew what she wanted to be when she grew up. She went to Ole Miss and majored in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Child Development. There, she met her husband, Jay. They have 2 children: her daughter, Reese, is a junior at Belmont University in Nashville, and their son, Christopher, is a senior at Lake Highlands HS. After being a stay-at-home mom for 11 years, she went back to work as a "brain developer" a.k.a. preschool teacher in 2014. This is her 9th year to work with 2-year-olds. She loves all things football--she is a huge Ole Miss and New Orleans Saints fan. She also loves watching broadway musicals locally, but especially in New York City!





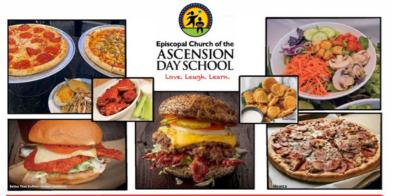


"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning; but for children, play IS serious learning." -Mr. Rogers



#### FUNDRAISER Join us from 5-8pm ON MONDAY, MARCH 25th

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7215 SKILLMAN ST., DALLAS, TX 75231 (NEXT TO LA FITNESS)

FAMILY PICNIC SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 26 FROM 4:30-6:30 PIZZA, SNACKS, KONA ICE, GLITTER TATTOOS, BOUNCE HOUSES, TRAIN, A DJ, & SILENT AUCTION

> ASCENSION DAY SCHOOL @ THE PLAYGROUND

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