



SJLS GEMS Newsletter

February 2020

Welcome

At a Glance:

- 2020-2021 Registration is open!
- We're on Facebook!
- School's website: www.sjlssumter.org

Valentine's Day, also known as Saint Valentine's Day, originated as a church holiday on February 14th to honor martyrs of the faith - saints whose names were Valentine or Valentinus. It is believed that the first heart valentine note was sent by a Valentine who was in prison for a girl he loved. Valentines notes have been recorded

for as far back as the middle ages. While the meaning and celebrations of Valentine's Day has changed, it has remained as a special day to shower with love those we hold close.

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 1 John 4:7

School News

Current & Upcoming Events:

- Book Fair Feb. 3rd-7th
- Interim Reports Feb. 10th
- 2nd grade field trip Feb. 12th
- Valentine's Day parties and Kona Ice Feb. 14th
- President's Day (No school) Feb. 17th
- Registration opens to the public March 2nd
- Read across America/Dr. Suess' birthday March 2nd

In-house registration for the 2020 – 2021 school year is open. All slots are filled on a first come/first serve basis. In order to reserve a spot, the \$200 registration fee (per child) must be paid. Beginning March 2nd, registration will be open to the public.

Keep on sending those referrals. Your words of praise have sent several new students to SJLS. A referral credit of \$15.00 is placed on a student's account when the new family enrolls their child.

February 14th is Valentine's Day! Each class will hold their own celebration. If your child wishes to hand out Valentine's Day cards, please remember to include all classmates. Teachers will contact you for specific needs for this day. We will also have a visit from Kona Ice on this day.

Read across America Day is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on March 2—Dr. Seuss' birthday. Please have your child come dressed in his or her favorite character from one of his books on this day.

Reminder: At 3:00 dismissal, please get in the car line and do not walk up to get your child. The process runs smoother this way. It is also a safety issue when people are trying to cross the road and cars are trying to move through the pick-up line at the same time. We are doing our best to have your child dismissed as quickly as possible. Please contact the school if you have a certain situation involving pick up times.

We would like to wish the following people a very happy birthday: Joaquin Hontiveros, Azariah Cunningham, Mason Rosensteel, Olivia Cobbs, David McClearn, and Kirtan Patel.

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