

# Neighborhood News

*The Neighborhood Learning Center's monthly newsletter*

*January Highlights*

## *The Director's Corner*

Happy New Year!

I **love** winter and I **love** snow, just in case you were wondering. Just a few reminders as the weather finally turns cold.

- \* Please make sure your children are dressed for the weather and they have a seasonal change of extra clothes here at the Center. Send them in wearing gloves/mittens, hats, and warm coats—as long as it's above freezing (taking the wind chill into account), we get them outside! Label, label, label EVERYTHING!
- \* The NLC will generally follow the Federal Government's schedule for late opening and closing completely due to inclement weather, not LCPS. However, if local conditions dictate, the Center reserves the right to cancel or open depending on the safety and ability of staff to reach the Center.
- \* You will receive a text from the NLC and an email no later than 6:00 am should a closure or delay be in effect for the NLC on a particular day. If you haven't received a test text from the NLC during the first week of January containing the new door code, this means we don't have your correct cell number on file. Please speak with Ms. Lorie, Ms. Jo Anna, or Ms. Ally to update your info.
- \* Winter also brings an increase in runny noses and illnesses. And with less time outside and more time in close quarters, germs spread quickly! Please follow our Sick Child Policy, which is located in full on our website under the Important Notices tab. Remember that your child must be 24 hours fever free (without use of a fever reducer) before they may return to the Center. It's so vital that we follow these rules to help keep EVERYONE healthy.

We hope you and your children will stay warm and healthy during this winter.

Blessings,

Jo Anna Rich



### **January 1**

NLC CLOSED for New Year's Day

### **January 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31**

Wee Little Arts

Registration Required

### **January 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31**

AcroKidz

Registration Required

### **January 9, 16, 23, & 30**

Family Night—ALL ages

Dinner 6:00—7:15 pm

### **January 14**

Owls receive visitors from Mac Brownell Adult Day Center

### **January 14 & 28**

Mercier School of Dance

Registration Required

### **January 15**

National Hat Day! *Send them to school in their favorite headwear!*

### **January 18**

LCPS Closed, NLC Open

Winnie the Pooh Day

### **January 19**

Parents' Night Out 5:30—9:00

### **January 21**

NLC CLOSED in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

### **January 25**

Visit from Wildlife

Ambassadors 10 am

### **January Staff Birthdays**

10 Ann Reger (Ducks)

17 Larkin Howard (Float)

25 Kim Upperman (Owls)

## *This Month at School...*

During January we learn all about the wonderful season of winter!

- **Wee Little Arts** will continue their extracurricular classes every Thursday for the Birds, Owls, and School Agers. Visit [weelittlearts.com](http://weelittlearts.com) to register.
- **Family Nights** resume January 9th! Every Wednesday, come join us for dinner at 6:00 pm, followed by activities and programming for all ages, children through adults, with events concluding by 7:15pm sharp. Family members of all ages are welcome for this free fellowship event.
- The **Acrokidz Bus** will resume visits on Thursday the 10th for our preschoolers 2s and older. To register for this optional, extracurricular class, visit [www.acrokidz.net](http://www.acrokidz.net).
- The Owls class will receive their monthly **visit from the Mac Brownell Adult Day Center** on the 14th.
- Tuesday the 15th is **National Hat Day**, so send your child to school wearing their favorite headwear!
- School ager parents: LCPS will be CLOSED on the 18th, but the NLC will be OPEN. Don't forget to sign your child up for a **School's Out Drop In Day!**
- Friday the 18th is also **Winnie the Pooh Day**. Send your child in with Pooh, Roo, Piglet, or their favorite bear to join them for the daily activities.
- Be sure to sign up for **Parents' Night Out** from 5:30—9:00 pm on Saturday the 19th.
- The **NLC will be CLOSED** on Monday the 21st for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Friday the 25th, **Wildlife Ambassadors** will pay us a visit at 10 am to share a presentation of live animals to our twos and older. This interactive presentation teaches kids how different animals (many local to our area) survive the winter, through different colored coats, hibernation, or other adaptations. Parents are welcome to drop in and watch, too!
- Looking ahead to February 1st, send your child **wearing their favorite sports team jersey or colors**. The Superbowl is right around the corner!

## *Tax Statements*

Tax statements will be emailed the week of January 7th. Note that you can, at any time, login to the Parent Portal to view tuition statements, tax statements, and to update your family's information (contact info, etc.). The Parent Portal can be accessed on our website at [tnlcenter.com](http://tnlcenter.com), under the Parent Resources tab. If you have any trouble logging in, just drop us an email!

### **Referral Credits**

**You can earn \$75 for every family you refer who enrolls their child(ren)! Also, if we missed providing a deserved referral credit—please let us know. We are very appreciative and would hate to overlook anyone!**

### **Family Nights**

**Wednesday evenings from 6:00—7:15**

Join us for a fun-filled, midweek gathering where you can reconnect and recharge with your NLC & St. Andrew Family and Friends!  
**Dinner** kicks off at 6:00 pm, followed by programming and fun for kids and adults.

***Invite your friends and neighbors!***

**Polar Express Day remains one of our favorite special days of the year. A HUGE thank you to parent Lisa Kurtz for the amazing decorations, and to our very own Ms. Karen Collins and "Conductor" Dave who made the day so special!**



**What a sweet Christmas Program, led by Ms. Rachel! We adored seeing your little donkeys, cows, and other critters celebrate Jesus' birth from the animals' point of view.**



# MUSIC WITH A CAUSE

Presents

## BRIAN GANZ & MAGDALENA WOR

### "Chopin: Spirit of Poland"



Photo credit: Carl Deutsch



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## SUNDAY, JANUARY 13 | 4 PM

Magdalena Wor will join Ganz in a performance of ten of the composer's beautiful songs. Plus Polonaises and Mazurkas for solo piano and the rarely heard Allegro de Concert!



Tickets are \$20 at the Door; ages 17 and under admission is free. Tickets can be purchased in advance at [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) (search for music with a cause). Concert proceeds will benefit Loudoun Free Clinic.

Venue: St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | 711 West Main Street, Purcellville, VA. [www.standrew-pres.org](http://www.standrew-pres.org) | 540-338-4332

### Coming up at St. Andrew...

**Weekly Worship:** Sundays 10am

**NOTE:** Child care is available for the littlest ones during worship. For children age preschool and up, Sunday School is provided during Sunday worship services—your child starts the service sitting with you, will leave for Sunday School and then will return to you before the service concludes.

**Sundays—Adult Sunday School—9:00—10:00 am**

**Sunday, January 13—4:00 pm—Music with a Cause—** Pianist Brian Ganz will perform. Tickets \$20 with proceeds to benefit the Loudoun Free Clinic.

**Sunday, January 27—After Worship—Annual Congregational Meeting—**All St. Andrew members are requested to attend.

# January 2019

Theme: Winter Wonderland



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 NLC CLOSED for New Year's Day	2 Music & Movement	3 Wee Little Arts**	4 National Spaghetti Day	5
6 Adult Sunday School 9 am Worship & Sunday School 10 am	7	8 Chapel	9 Music & Movement Family Night	10 AcroKidz** Wee Little Arts**	11	12
13 Adult Sunday School 9 am Worship & Sunday School 10 am Music with a Cause: Brian Ganz 4 pm	14 Visitors from Mac Brownell Adult Day Center to Owls	15 Chapel National Hat Day – wear your favorite hat to school!	16 Music & Movement Family Night	17 AcroKidz** Wee Little Arts**	18 LCPS Closed, NLC Open Winnie the Pooh Day	19 Parents Night Out 5:30 – 9:00
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**OF NOTE...** \*\* Designates Registration Required Classes

- **AcroKidz\*\*** - 2s and Older 9:45 am
- **Wee Little Arts\*\*** – Birds & Owls 2:45 – 3:30    K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 3:45 – 4:30
- **Family Night** – Dinner at 6 pm. Activities for children and adults 6:30 – 7:15 pm.  
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