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Sweetheart Luncheon and Fundraiser

Date: Friday, February 12 at 11:00 a.m.

Cost: \$5 lunch tickets (please purchase at the front desk)

Come join your sweetheart for lunch and support HWCEC's curriculum program!

We can also deliver a special gift with a personal message to your Sweetheart during the luncheon. For \$5 you can send your child a bear with a message of love or an owl for \$3. Items can be purchased until Thursday, **February 11** at the front desk.



10" Plush Red Bear with heart - \$5.00



4" x 6 1/2" Plush Owl \$3.00

Employee of the Month

"...she has special relationships with each and every child. Her ability to redirect and transition young children when parents are dropping them off is invaluable to helping a parent start their day," states a pleased dad. "She takes the extra step to tell us something special about my child's day. These little antidotes show how much she cared for the children in her class. These specifics are so much more important than a generic 'he had a great day' and are much appreciated," rave parents of a toddler. Ms. Angela holds a Child Development Associate and has been a part of the team for nearly 3 years. Congrats to Ms. Angela for three parent nominations this month.

Note from the PAC

Hello from the Parents' Advocacy Committee (PAC)! We are excited to be able to have a few new ways to share information with you. The first is in the monthly newsletter, and the second is through the bulletin board in the main lobby at the school.

The PAC is a small but growing group of HWCEC parents who are dedicated to supporting our children, our teachers and our school. Our mission statement is simple:

The purpose of the Helen Walton Children's Enrichment Center Parents' Advocacy Committee (PAC) is to support the care and education of children at HWCEC and in our community.

We will do that by:

- Fostering and nurturing relationships among the school, teachers, and parents by encouraging parental involvement
- Providing volunteer and financial support for school-supported events as needed
- Hosting events for teachers, staff and children during the year to celebrate and encourage an atmosphere of partnership

The PAC is committed to working as a team with teachers, staff and parents in the best interests of our children and HWCEC. Please check out the bulletin board in the main lobby to learn more about our upcoming plans.

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We are currently working on:

- Scheduling regular parent volunteers for each classroom
- Having at least one "PAC Parent" per classroom to help facilitate events
- Teacher Appreciation Week

We'd love to have you attend one of our monthly meetings! We meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Our location changes monthly but we will update that in the newsletter and on the bulletin board. If you cannot attend our meetings, please consider pledging other times or financial support! Contact someone on the Executive Committee to learn more.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

The PAC Executive Committee

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PAC Meeting

(Parent Advisory Committee)

Wednesday, February 10

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

HWCEC - Training Rooms

Spring "Bunny" Pictures

March 2-4

more information coming soon!



Yoga in January

By introducing yoga at a young age, children begin to see how everyone and everything is connected. They learn tools to breathe better and release energy. Practice these techniques at home with your child or even just for you when you need a break!

Connect

Ring a bell and listen until the vibration can no longer be heard.

Breathe

Begin lying down. Use a stuffed animal on the belly to show how to fill the belly first by lifting the animal up on the inhale.

Move

Have fun. Here are some introductory poses that work great for all age groups.

