

Dear Parents,

AFPCS welcomes our families back from the winter break, holidays and festivities. We hope that each of you spent time with your family and friends, had plenty of laughter and took a moment to reflect on those things most important to you.

As we get back to the business of education, I want to remind you that this is a good time to replenish your child's school supplies. Be sure to check their supply of pens, pencils and crayons and purchase these essential tools as they will need them to effectively perform for the rest of the year.

The New Year brings with it the possibility of many new and improved initiatives. The school has petitioned the School District of Philadelphia to renew its charter for an additional 5 years. If approved, we seek to add up to 100 students which includes 8th grade!

We should get the district's decision by the end of March. Technology training for staff and students will increase as well as the inclusion of additional educational and tutorial software and tools (laptops etc.)

All of the changes and improvements are being made to enhance and improve the quality of education we provide to your child.

I look forward to sharing this time of growth and change with each of you.

Happy New Year!

Maria A. Snipe
CEO

Picture Re-Take Day



Picture Day is Wednesday, January 11th

Any students who wish to retake their photo can do so on this date.

Lower School photos will be taken from 9am – 10am

Upper School photos will be taken from 1pm – 2pm

Please contact the office with any questions

Family Unity Night



When: Thursday, January 26, 2012
5:30pm

Where: AFPCS Lower School (1821 Cecil B Moore Avenue)

Theme: **"GET FIT"**

Come out and get some tips on "getting fit"
Healthy refreshments will be served!!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



The AFPCS Basketball Team has their 1st Game on Thursday, January 5, 2012
AFPCS vs Walter D. Palmer Charter School
5:00pm @ West Oak Lane Charter
7115 Stenton Avenue

Please come out to support **OUR TEAM!!!**

After School Clubs for grades 5th - 7th will resume on Monday, January 9th

After School Tutoring will resume on Tuesday, January 10th

NO SCHOOL January 16th in observance of
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

In the event of inclement weather, AFPCS will follow The School District of Philadelphia as it pertains to school closings.



January & February 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
JAN 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!	2 NO SCHOOL	3 School Resumes	4	5 AFPCS vs Walter D Palmer Charter, 5pm @ West Oak Lane Charter School	6 Pretzel Sale .50 Each	7
8	9 US After School Clubs Resume	10 US Tutoring Resumes AFPCS vs KIPP, 3:30pm @ KIPP	11 Picture Re-Take Day AFPCS vs Harambee 4:30om @ KIPP	12	13 Pretzel Sale .50 Each	14
15	16 NO SCHOOL MLK Day	17 AFPCS vs Universal Charter, 4:30pm @ KIPP	18	19	20 Pretzel Sale .50 Each Dress Down Day \$2 Theme: Sports	21
22	23 AFPCS vs Discovery Charter, 5pm @ West Oak Lane Charter School	24 Board Meeting 5:30pm, Lower School	25	26 Family Unity Night "GET FIT" 5:30 @ the Lower School	27 Pretzel Sale .50 Each AFPCS vs West Oak Lane, 4:00 pm @ West Oak Lane	28
29	30	31	FEB 1	2 AFPCS vs Wakisha 3:30pm @ Wakisha Charter	3 Pretzel Sale .50 Each	4
5	6 AFPCS vs SW Leadership, 4:30pm @ KIPP	7	8	9	10 Pretzel Sale .50 Each	11

"Working together to achieve greatness"



Dear AFPCS Parents & Families,

Using a new service called SnappSchool, we will be sending regular updates about some of the exciting things we are doing at school, school closing information due to inclement weather, school emergency info as well as any other important reminders.

You can subscribe to receive updates from the **LOWER SCHOOL** (Grades K-2) via text message by texting the word **AFPCSLs** to **(718) 305-4741**

Cancel anytime by replying **stop afpcsls** to any message

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SnappSchool does not allow you to respond directly to us through the service. If you would like to reach us, you may call us at 215-232-4892.

Thank you and we hope that this is a convenient way of staying informed!

AFPCS Admin Team