

JANUARY 24, 2025

ADDENBROOKE
CLASSICAL K/8



A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week, we managed to take the kids out for recess on three separate days. The sledding hill is open, albeit a bit icy, and the students are thoroughly enjoying the snow. I love watching recess when the snow is falling, and the sun occasionally breaks through. In Michigan, winter often kept the sun hidden, but in Colorado, we are graced with sunshine almost every day. When the kids come barreling down the hill on their sleds, laughing and screaming, or when they compete to create the perfect snow angel, it's impossible not to smile.

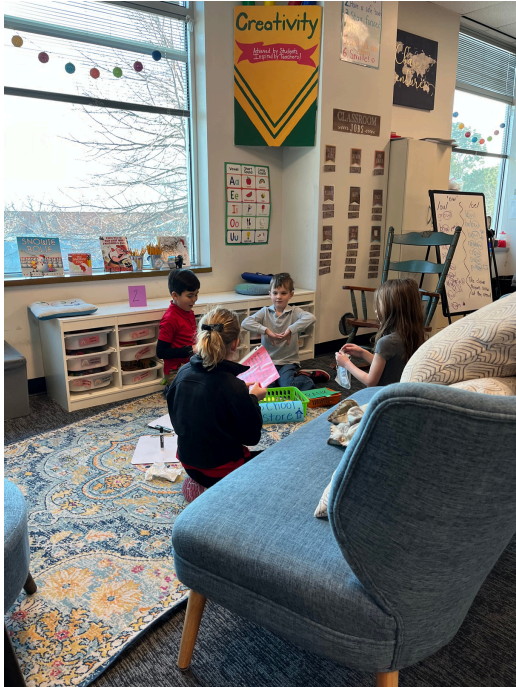
Our first graders visited the Arvada Center yesterday, while the fifth-grade students explored the stock show today. Field trips are always significant events. The students donned their class shirts, packed their sack lunches, and off they went!

I want to extend my congratulations to our newest NJHS inductees. I've also heard that the boys' basketball team is growing and developing a love for the game. Our elementary honor choir will commence next week, and the middle school honor choir will be selling Singing Valentine Grams. Although it may seem early, please remember that homemade valentines are preferred. The history of valentines will be shared in the newsletter that week, but handwritten and handmade notes are timeless treasures that hold their value.

Speaking of Valentine's Day, the parties for our K-5 students will take place on February 12th from 2:00 to 3:00. We have created a parent RSVP document, and adults wishing to assist or attend the party must complete it by February 10th. This process ensures that all visitors have signed the volunteer agreement, allowing us to prepare visitor RSVPs in advance to minimize congestion at the doors. Only parents who RSVP ahead of time will be granted entry on the day of the party. This measure helps us maintain a secure environment, so please let us know if you'd like to join us for the festivities.

On Thursday, January 29th, our fifth and eighth-grade students will showcase their science fair projects from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. There will also be Lego activities and concessions available that evening. If you plan to attend, please use the Middle School Door (south entrance) for entry.

Next Friday, Kindergarten will celebrate the 100th day of school with a short parade that will take place along the front sidewalk of the school at 8:00 AM. You are welcome to join as spectators if you wish.



CALENDAR CORNER

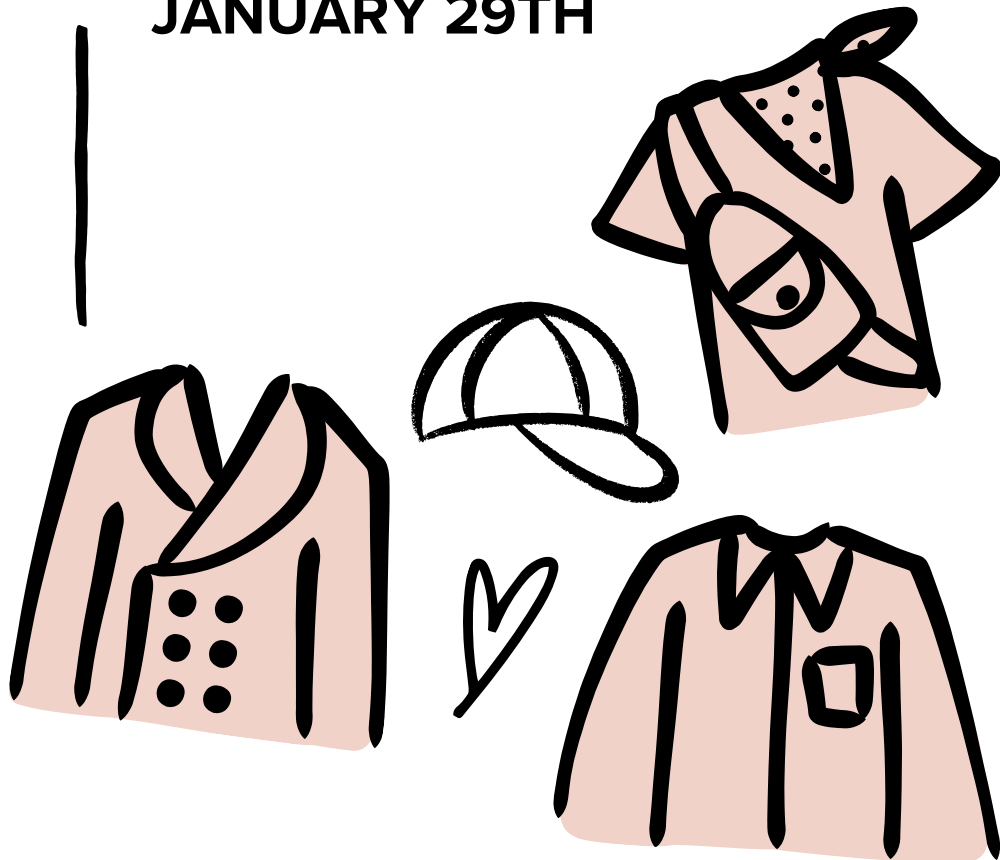
Curriculum Symposium & 8th Grade Science Fair	January 29 5:00 – 7:00 pm
K-8 Handwriting Contest (Entries due by 2/7/25)	January 29-February 7
100th Day of School Celebration (Kindergarten Special Celebration Day)	January 31
MS Fall Honor Roll Trip	January 31 2:00 pm
Dad's Book Club	February 5 7:45 - 8:15 am, Library
Pinewood Derby & Family Movie Night	February 6 4:00-8:00, Gym
Assembly (1st and 5th and 6th grade orders recitation)	February 7 8:15 am, Gym
Board of Directors Meeting	February 11 6:00 - 8:30 pm, 3rd floor HS building
Grammar School Valentine's Parties	February 12 Kindergarten – 5 th Grade 2:00 – 3:00 pm
No School for Students	February 13-17
SAC Meeting (School Accountability Committee)	February 18 5:30 - 6:30 pm, H.S. 3rd floor

Now Hiring School Nurse

| Must have current RN license. Please email asmith@addenbrooke.org if interested.

Lost and Found

WILL BE DONATED
JANUARY 29TH



PERSPECTIVE ABOUT CAR-LINE

I understand that many of you received an email from Mr. Netzer this morning regarding traffic flow and car lines. I encourage you to consider the school as a whole while reading that letter and interpreting its intentions. It was written with the aim of helping our entire community operate efficiently and prioritize the safety of all stakeholders.

While it may seem punitive that the Middle School car line will close after 7:40, and we ask cars arriving after 7:40 to use the front line, it's important to note that students are considered tardy if they arrive to class after 7:45. We have observed that many cars rush through the lane and arrive just in time, leading to confusion about our tardy policy. If a student arrives after 7:40, they are typically late, since classes officially start at 7:45, and students need time to settle in before learning begins.

We have a long morning window from 7:15 to 7:30, which usually does not experience backups. However, this semester, we have noticed an increase in late arrivals, causing delays as we cannot manage the flow of traffic effectively when so many cars arrive simultaneously. During the morning hours, you will typically find that from 7:40 to 7:45, we do not allow the Middle School exiting line to move until the cars queued for the front line have entered. This is our effort to minimize tardies for students still arriving. If you have already dropped off your Middle Schooler and are eager to get to work, please understand that we are working hard to ensure all students get to class on time, which helps reduce congestion around our building.

For those of you who have been with us for more than just this year, you'll notice that the car line is definitely more efficient this year. We continuously strive to tweak and improve efficiency. From experience, I can assure you that managing around 750 students in and out of school is quite a task. Our morning car line is generally completed by 7:50, and for the afternoon by 3:25. Given that school starts at 7:45 and ends for Middle School at 3:15, I believe our line has become quite effective, and we truly appreciate your collaboration in making this happen.

There will always be some days that take longer in the car line, such as when projects are due or special events occur. Unexpected rainstorms at 3:00, which prevent us from taking kids outside, can also lead to delays as we call students via radio as their cars arrive. Please be patient and understanding; everyone is doing their best to ensure the safety of all.

FOCUS ON
your Good
HABITS
Connection Virtues to Home and School

The phrase "perfect execution at home for kids" refers to establishing a structured environment that enables children to consistently complete tasks with a high level of quality. This involves emphasizing attention to detail, adhering to instructions, and instilling a sense of pride in their work, all within a positive and supportive home atmosphere. Ultimately, it is about teaching children the importance of doing things well and thoroughly in everyday situations at home.





LEGO

ACTIVITIES & 5&8 SCIENCE FAIR

JAN. 29, 2025
5:00 - 7:00 PM

ADDENBROOKE
CLASSICAL ACADEMY
K-8 CAMPUS





NJHS AND STUDENT

GOVERNMENT

CONCESSION STAND

CURRICULUM NIGHT 1/29

SERVING FOOD FROM

5:00PM-6:30PM





PIZZA DINNER

COMBO \$7

1 slice, cookie, drink



SNACKS

One Slice	\$4
Chips	\$2
Cookie or Brownie.....	\$2
Soda/ Juice	\$2

***food available while supplies last








PACS Meeting – February 21st, 8:00 AM

Want to learn more about Addenbrooke events and how you can get involved? Join us for our next Parents of Addenbrooke Classical Students (PACS) meeting at 8:00 am in the Elementary Commons. Everyone is welcome – Everyone is a PACS parent. Younger kids invited. We hope to see you there!

Want to learn more about PACS Events?

Visit our website at

<https://addenbrookepacs.org/>



PACS SNACKS

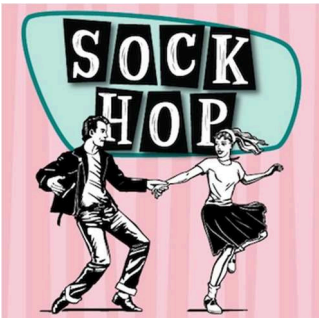
PLEASE NOTE OUR DATE CHANGED :

Wednesday, February 5th

At both Addenbrooke Campuses

Once a month, Staff receive treats as a special 'thank you' for all they do. These treats are donated by YOU! Help shop in advance, donate tasty treats, or volunteer to set-up/clean-up here:

<https://addenbrookepacs.org/pacs-snacks>



Save The Dates:

Pinewood Derby:

Thursday, February 6th, 4-6 pm

Cars have been sold, but all families are welcome to come cheer and watch!

Sock Hop & Silent Auction :

Friday, April 4th, 5-7:30 pm

Both events will be held in the ACA Gym!

More information coming soon

<https://addenbrookepacs.org/sock-hop>



Skate City Night

Wednesday, March 1st, 6:00-8:00 PM

5801 S. Lowell Way, Littleton, CO 80123

Come enjoy a private ACA-only skate party!

Admission - \$7

Skate Rental - \$5

Meal deals available! Theme to be announced.

<https://addenbrookepacs.org/skate-city-nights>