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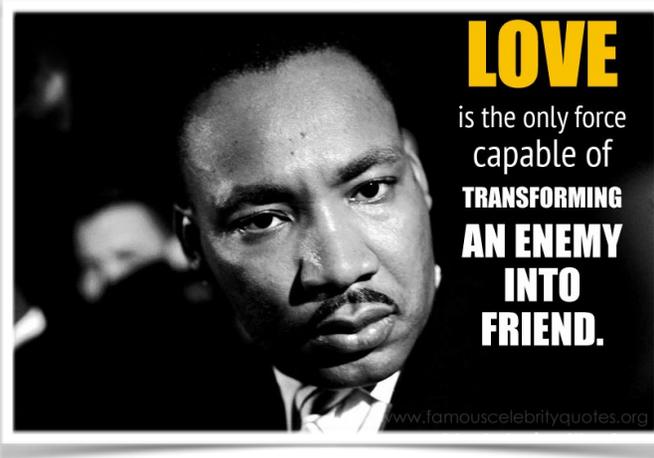
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Weekly Newsletter

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AJA thrives when more wonderful families just like yours hear about our program from you. We'd love to follow-up on any referrals you have made to friends, neighbors, or colleagues. Just drop off the contact info with Ms. Richmond or the office, and we'll see if they'd like to learn more!



"The time is always right to do what is right."

Celebrating Dr.
Martin Luther King
Jr.

Principal's Message

Since Martin Luther King Jr. Day was signed into law in 1983, the holiday has provided an opportunity for Americans to honor and learn from this iconic figure. The Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday celebrates the life and legacy of a man who brought hope and healing to America. We commemorate as well the timeless values he taught us through his example — the values of courage, truth, justice, compassion, dignity, humility and service that so radiantly defined Dr. King's character and empowered his leadership. On this holiday, we commemorate the universal, unconditional love, forgiveness and nonviolence that empowered his revolutionary spirit.

We commemorate Dr. King's inspiring words, because his voice and his vision filled a collective longing to become a country that truly lived by its noblest principles. Yet, Dr. King knew that it wasn't enough just to talk the talk, that he had to walk the walk for his words to be credible. And so we commemorate on this holiday the man of action, who put his life on the line for freedom and justice every day, the man who braved threats and jail and beatings and who ultimately paid the highest price to make democracy a reality for all Americans. Thank you Dr. King, thank you!

At AJA, we want our students to learn valuable leaderships skills and develop the moral character needed to speak up for and do what is right just like Dr. King and so many others throughout our nation's history have done. *-Ms. Richmond*

**"To increase
in wisdom
and stature,
and in favor
with God and
man."**

Luke 2:52

Christian education doesn't cost...it pays!

On the path to the future, there are no shortcuts. No investment too large, no sacrifice to great. Thank you for choosing AJA for your child's future. Please let us know how we can pray for your family or better meet your needs this year.

Upcoming Dates

- **January 24** AJA Board Meeting, 7pm
- **January 26** Chili Feed, 6pm
- **January 29** Field Trip Grades 1-3, 11:45-3pm
- **February 7-8** Teacher Inservice, No School
- **February 14** Jump for Hearts Challenge
- **February 21** AJA Board Meeting, 7pm
- **February 23** Education Sabbath AJA @ Community SDA Church



Creation Kids

We want our students to learn habits that will help them in life!

This month's focus is on:

Activity –
God wants me to be active inside and out, mentally & physically.

This month our students are learning about the importance of daily physical exercise, bone health, and why keeping our brains active is a good thing.

AJA's Fundraising Thermometer



Office Announcements

• **Jump for Hearts Challenge** for the American Heart Association is coming up soon, February 14th! Students will have the opportunity to learn about their hearts, get active with jump roping, and make a difference by raising awareness for heart health.

• **Adventist Adventurers club** is meeting during the **first hour of aftercare each Friday** afternoon after the children eat lunch. Join this group and learn more about God's plan for a happy, healthy life. Special thanks to Brianna Lawrence and Giny Lonzer for making this happen for our students!

• The **Letter Drive** is still underway. Please submit addresses of friends, family, colleagues, and acquaintances who may be in a position to contribute to our annual fund. Address forms are available in the lobby. You can also grab ready to go envelopes, and just submit the number of letters you've sent out on your own. **Remember our goal is +250 letters sent out. That's about 8 letters per child! Top senders earn a \$40 Target Gift Card. We are currently at 27 letters sent out!**

• **Earthquake Food Supply** bags have been brought in by a number of students, but not all. Thank you for helping your student be prepared!

• Thank you in advance to those of you who've signed

up to bring chili and/or a dessert for the dessert auction this coming Saturday night! **We still need volunteers to help clean-up after the event!** Thank you!



WHAT'S YOUR SPECIALTY!