



January Newsletter

January 1, 2023

Important Dates:

January 2: New Year's Day Holiday (Closed)

January 14: Bailey Davis's Birthday

January 16: Martin Luther King Day (Closed)

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! and welcome back! What a great time we have had with friends and family. We hoped that everyone enjoyed their holiday season with family. We are grateful to have made it through all the viruses.

It is interesting Covid-19 virus is still very much around even after 3years . We have all gotten accustomed to the new normal of constant handwashing, masking up when need and staying hydrated and up to date with immunization.

We will still continue to implement the protocols recommendation by the CDC , Health Department and the DCFS.

Classes will resume back to normal and the children will start getting used to their classroom daily schedule once again. January is usually a month filled with excitement as both the students and teachers look forward in anticipation of what the year brings. The children and their teachers will be engaging in activities that helps them develop basic skills suitable for their respective ages.

The weather is changing, and with the change in weather comes the change in temperature. Parent are to make sure that their child/children are dress appropriately for the weather and in the required shoes. **Please note: No tie shoe is allowed at the center. **The children will also continue to go outside, unless the temperature is below zero degrees.**** Parent are advised to dress their child/children appropriately for the weather.

If you or a family member's health has been compromised, please **do not** send your child to school. If your child exhibit any of the Covid-19 symptoms, RSV or any other communicable diseases please keep your child at home. Students temperature will be taken upon arrival and throughout the day as a safety precaution. If a student exhibit symptoms or has a high fever, such child will be sent home immediately.

Little Blossom

The infants are growing fast and we have been privileged to be a part of their growth and development. Most of them are becoming more independent and achieving newer milestones. Miss Sara and the children will continue to build a trust and loving relationship. They will continue to explore their classroom, as well as use music as a learning tool to introduce letters and numbers. Depending on their ages, the children will continue to learn how to feed themselves as well as building social and emotional developmental skills.

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Busy Bees

The young toddlers are excited to be back in school after enjoying the holiday season with their family. The Busy Bees classroom will be exploring the world of art and craft this month. The students will be eased into the year's academic season, where they will continue to learn their numbers and letters. Newer materials will be introduced in all areas of the classroom to help in stimulating their academic development. Grace and courtesy is an essential part of the young toddlers classroom, we will continue to emphasize the important of sharing and caring, respecting personal spaces as well as learning self-care and independent.

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Happy Feet Room

We are happy to have the Toddlers back in school. Miss Dora will be working with the students to continue to learn their numbers and alphabets. This month the toddler's theme is Titled : Animals and the their Habitats. The students will be learning about different animals and were they live. Art projects will be done to emphasis our theme for the month.

The Happy Feet students will also be exploring our outdoor environment and the change in weather. Please be sure to send your child/children in appropriate clothing.

Bathroom training is an essential part of establishing independent. We will be constantly working with our student by encouraging them in self-care and helping them build their self-esteem and confident. If your child is one of the students being Bathroom trained, please remember to send him/ her with extra clothes and underwear.

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Happy Hoppers.

This month, our students will be focusing on weather and climate. Ecosystem is a big part of our society and the climate change has different factors affecting it. The children will be conducting their own research with the help of their parent to help develop ways that we can help our society reduce pollution which in turns helps in building a sustainable climate. Art and Craft will be done as an extension to our Weather Theme.

For Math, the student will be introduced to simple addition using the strip board and for Geography we will be focusing on the continent of Europe with focus on Ireland. We will be discussing the culture, tradition and food of the Ireland People. Parents are advised to dressed their children appropriately for the weather.



Willow Room

This month the Willow Room students will be studying more about continent with emphasis on Australia. They will be examining the everything about the country: culture, food , traditions and the Australian animals.

Math and science will also be a huge part of our curriculum this month. The Kindergarteners will also be introduced to the concept of addition and subtraction. Research and experiment will also be done in our classroom to help the student have a better understanding of what they are being thoughted.

Outdoor play and manipulative play are also inclusive in our curriculum as it helps in improving student's cognitive and general well- being.

Please remember that It is still winter, and we will continue to go outside. Parents are advised to dressed their children appropriately for the weather. Hats, scarfs and gloves are vital supplies for this month, please ensure that your child/ children come to school fully prepared.



Please Note: Tuition payment is due every Monday of each week. All nap bedding goes home on Friday, and they must be washed and return on Monday. Extra clothes are to be included. No car seats are allowed in the center.

Please keep it in mind that the Center will be close on Monday January 16, 2023 in observance of Martin Luther King Day. Hats, scarfs and gloves are vital supplies for this month, please ensure that your child/ children come to school fully prepared.

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