



A Message from Melissa our Director

February is the month of sharing, caring, and compassion. Please take some time to brighten somebody's day with a kind word, a smile, or an act of service. It warms my heart to see our staff and our children taking the opportunities they were given to hold someone's hand, draw them a picture, sit with them to do a puzzle, rub their back as they take a nap, and simply say, "I care about you". We love sharing this special season with your kids.

We hope your child has enjoyed their preschool experience so far. Thank you for completing the satisfaction survey and for providing us with feedback. We truly do value your input.

In honor of Black History Month, we will highlight the powerful contributions of African American inventors, creators, and artists with our kiddos.

HAPPENINGS IN PRESCHOOL

Room to Grow

Yardsigns: If you would like a yardsign to advertise on behalf of our preschool we have some available to bring home during morning drop off or pick up.

Registration: We still have some available spaces next year and word of mouth is our best form of advertising, we'd love if you would share our preschool with others.

Subbing: Are you interested in subbing or know someone who is? Please come talk to us.

Winter Weather Reminders

With the transition of weather we want to send a friendly reminder to always send your child in with a jacket or sweater/shirt to wear on the playground as it is shaded.

Also, please take a look at your child's spare clothes and pack multiple spares. especially for those that are potty training.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in helping to complete some projects or contribute to some special events from home, please reach out to Melissa for more information. For example; teacher appreciation planning, Grandparent's Day, End of Year Picnic etc.

Summer Extended Year Interest

At the end of the month an email will be coming out detailing our summer plan. We wanted to know who might be interested ahead of time so we can plan our staffing and operations. We are considering June 13th - 17th and June 20-24th. These are typically 1/2 day morning events. We may consider aftercare for these weeks if we have enough interest from families.

Illness and Exposure Reminders

Please remember that as we continue to deal with winter related illness, your kiddos need to be fever free for a full 24hrs w/o fever reducing medicine and symptoms must be improving.



Calendar Reminder

February 21st - School Closed President's Day

February 24th - **Family Event Cancelled.**

Save the Dates for Spring:

March TBD - Family Fun Event

April 7th and 8th - Grandparents Day



CLASSROOM UPDATES

HAPPENINGS IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY



Miss Beth and Miss Jessy Infants Class

In January it started out all about winter...snow, the clothes we wear in winter and animals that love cold weather! Then we ended January with shapes and colors.

THEMES FEBRUARY

- Love and Friendship
- Community Helpers
- Daytime/Nighttime
- Transportation

Looking forward to our pajama day on Wednesday, Feb 23rd and Thursday, Feb 24th.



Miss Jen and Miss Deb's Ones Class

In room 112 in the month of January we learned about All things Winter: Winter, Winter Clothes and Winter Animals. We also took a few weeks to learn about shapes and colors.

We also have a lot of winter birthdays in our class and we've been having fun celebrating one another.

THEMES FEBRUARY

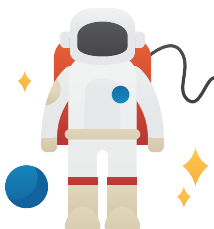
- Valentine's Day
- Community Helpers
- Daytime and Nighttime
- Transportation: Sea and Air



Miss Lisa and Miss Mae Twos Class

Room 116 was busy during January learning about winter and different transportation methods. We started off February by learning about our solar system and astronauts! 3,2,1... blast off!

We will spend much of February learning about our community helpers - police officers, firefighters, doctors, dentists, mail carriers, and the like. In recognition of Black History Month, we will be introducing important Black community helpers, including Mae Jemison, the first Black female astronaut. On February 14 and 15, we will have small classroom celebrations for Valentine's Day. We will finish out the month learning about pets.



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HAPPENINGS IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY



Miss Jo's Threes Class

We started the month off learning about winter weather animals who love winter, especially, those that hibernate

We will have a pizza party on Monday the 14th for our Valentine's Day party. We always continue to learn more letters and numbers. The children are learning and growing and making such beautiful friendships. It is an honor to spend my days with this beautiful group of children.

THEMES JANUARY / THEMES FEBRUARY

- Winter weather
- Winter Animals and Hibernation
- Senses and Feelings
- Love and Friendship
- Louis Armstrong's: "It's a Wonderful World"



Miss Courtney's Twos Class

Happy Winter everyone! We have had a lot of fun learning about how we dress in the cold and snow as well as talked about different animals.

The kids love to see the animals that are painted on the wall outside of their room. Our color was blue and our shape was the circle. We are doing a great job with our routine and the children are really enjoy music, movement and art.

For the month of February our themes are as follows:

THEMES FEBRUARY

- Transportation
- Valentine's Day
- Community Helpers
- Color: Red
- Shape: Heart



Miss Laura's Threes Class

Thank you for bringing in ice of various shapes and sizes this month. We made magical ice castles on our science discovery table. We used food coloring, sequins, beads and pompoms for decorating. We put Arctic animals on the castle and we enjoyed watching it change into various shapes as it melted. We also made a snow globe craft and decorated a snowman and glued him into his "home". We learned a snow man poem/song with actions to go along with our theme.

As we welcomed February we learned about the famous groundhog and how he predicts how much longer we have to wait for spring. We had fun with our groundhog song and actions. During this month we also are learning about Valentine's Day and we will have a focus on various famous African Americans as we celebrate Black History Month. Dr. Martin Luther King believed in love, peace, caring, kindness and equity.

January

THEMES

February

- Winter Weather and Sports
- Arctic Animals
- Ground Hogs Day
- Valentine's Day
- Black History Month

CLASSROOM UPDATES

HAPPENINGS IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY



Miss Natalie's PreK Class

January Verse: "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:14

Week 1- Bears and other animals who hibernate or migrate. We'll also continue to talk about the season of winter. We're even going on a bear hunt around the school.

Week 2- Snowmen and Snowflakes. We know that God made each of us unique, just like snowflakes! We will have fun being scientists as we learn more about ice and snow.

Week 3- Arctic Animals and Penguins. We will learn all about arctic animals, from where they live and what they eat. We'll waddle like penguins and fish like polar bears.

Week 4 - Groundhog Day! We talked about the groundhog seeing his shadow and made our own predictions.

February Verse: "Let all that you do be done in LOVE." 1 Corinthians 16:14

Week 1: We will read several fairytale stories and discuss the difference between fiction and non-fiction.

Week 2: We will celebrate love and friendship. Together we will do a community service project and spread love throughout our school.

Week 4: Our class will be learning more about weather and seasons. We'll discuss the changes that take place; why it rains; and many other fascinating things that relate to weather. We will continue practicing our sight words, letter sounds and math skills.



Miss Cindy's PreK Class

We are happy to be back! In January we will incorporate all things winter into our lessons. And then we will welcome the month of February with hearts, friendship and a celebration of Valentine's Day. We will learn about God's love for us and how we should take care of our body by learning how to make healthy food choices and exercising.

Language Arts

January: We'll continue reviewing letters, sounds, writing. We also will be enjoying some winter poems and creating snowy winter projects!

February: We will have new readers to read and color, so we will continue to learn new sight words and review our past sight words.

Social Studies

January: We will learn about the life of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Science

January: We'll learn how snow, ice and icebergs form by studying the watercycle and temperatures.

February: Healthy Food Choices

Math Skills

January: We will continue to practice writing numbers 1-20, learn about positional words and learn to understand comparisons.

February: We will be learning how to create and understand story problems. I can't forget to mention that we will have our 100th day of school celebration!

SNOWBALL

By Shel Silverstein

I made myself a snowball,
As perfect as could be,
I thought I'd keep it as a pet,
And let it sleep with me.

I made it some pajamas,
And a pillow for its head,
Then last night it ran away,
But first - it wet the bed!

If there ever comes a day
when we can't be
together, keep me in your
heart, I'll stay there
forever



Lets CELEBRATE

*Please consult the
handbook for guidelines on
Special Celebration Treats

Happy Birthday
to our teachers and friends:

Winnie Colvin 1/5
Chase Looze 1/5
Hank Herlong 1/6
Rigby Pizzo 1/10
Jameson Jorgenson 1/18
Miss Mae - Two's Assistant 1/23
Lily Huber 1/30
Shipley Colvin 2/1
Emilia Gordy 2/3
Jaxxie Clayton 2/4
Ayden Misiak 2/10
Elle Shanberger 2/10
Miss Cindy- PreK Teacher 2/13
Maddie Colvin 2/20
Alex Maynard 2/23
Margaret Herlong 2/27

