

# DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

## Room #104 - Mrs. Jordan

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving.

We had fun at the "Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" with all the other classes. Thanks to Christi (Phoenix's mom) and Erin (Ames' mom) for helping out. The kids are so good at putting their things away at drop off time it is time to say goodbye by the door.

### Themes:

Family, Health &  
Nutrition

### Calendar Dates:

Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday  
T-shirt Tuesday

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> - Weds.  
Family book page due

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> -  
Thursday-Music with Ms  
Sherry

Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> -Wednesday  
Show & Tell (baby picture  
and item)

Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> -Thursday  
decorating gingerbread  
people, hunt with the  
other classes

Friday. Dec 21<sup>st</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of winter

Mon. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - Thurs.  
Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Preschool  
Closed for Winter Break

### Show & Tell / Sharing Day

Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> will be our next show & tell day. Since we are talking about ourselves and our families please help your child pick out a baby picture and something special from when they were a baby. The children will take turns telling us about their picture and special item.

### Snack

Since we are talking about nutrition and "My Plate" which has taken the place of the food pyramid, please talk to your child about what they are bringing for snack and from what area of the plate it comes from, (Fruit, Vegetables, Grains, Protein & Dairy)

We will be discussing where food comes from, what makes food healthy, how to prepare healthy food and why it is important to eat healthy food. During December we will be having a Fruit day and a Vegetable day for snack. 5 friends will bring snack "Vegetable" on the vegetable day and 5 friends will bring snack "Fruit" on the fruit day. Have fun and be creative.

### Dramatic Play

Our dramatic play area will be turning into a "Fitness Center" where the children can stretch, bend and work out.

### Family Book

We will be making a book about our families. Info was sent out last week, please return when you finish or by Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

## STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)

There is a sign up by the door for anyone that wants to show their friends an activity. Let me know what they want to teach their friends and send directions along with the needed materials. I will help them explain the activity.

### Corduroy

Corduroy continues his adventures with our classmates. Last month he spent time at Nola and Solomon's houses and it sounds like he had fun. Corduroy is our stuffed animal that comes to your house for a weekend to stay with you, have fun and don't forget to take him with you on any adventures you may go on. I will give you a page that you can draw or put a picture on and then tell a little about what Corduroy did with your family. Have fun.

### Happy Birthday

Ames'  $\frac{1}{2}$  birthday on the 27<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate on the 19<sup>th</sup>

Birthdays are special and a great time to talk about how it feels to be older. We will be celebrating each child's birthday as close as we can to their day (or  $\frac{1}{2}$  birthday, if their birthday is in the summer). Your child may have a special birthday treat for snack that day. Many parents like to come on that day to have snack with the class and read a story of your child's choosing after snack. Please let me know if you would like to come. Thanks.

### Walking through the Alphabet

We will be learning the alphabet throughout the year, the letters will change monthly. We will look for the letters in our classroom, in books and magazines as well as talking about how each letter sounds. We will focus on words that begin with the letter we are working on.

This month we will focus on the letters Ff, Oo & Cc

### Looking Ahead

January's theme will be animals. The kids will be helping me decide what animals they want to learn more about.

"Star of the Week" will begin in January. Your child will be assigned a week to be the "Star". They can bring a poster with pictures etc. to display on the special bulletin board. They also can bring show and tell everyday that they are the "Star". I will be the "Star" the first week and will send home the schedule before winter break. The schedule will also be posted on the star bulletin board and you will get a reminder note the week before it is your child's turn. Let me know if you have any questions.

Also, We will be making life size drawings of the children to display when they are the "Star". This takes time and volunteers, so please sign up if you can help.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS