



Creative World Family News Letter January 2018

From the Director

Wow a New Year. Time is flying by so quickly. The scary thing that as we watch our children grow, we often forget that we are getting older along with them. Life is crazy and busy and there never seems to be enough time in a day, week or month to get everything we want to fit into our schedules. We live in a life where we run from work to activities to home and each new day is as busy as the last. I'd like to take a moment to remind everyone (and yes even myself) to STOP and slow down if even just for a moment or two. We are given such a short window of time to enjoy our "littles" and they grow and change while we are busy dealing with everything life throws at us. Stress and a hectic lifestyle can really diminish our ability to focus on and enjoy what really matters. Our health and family are really something we should all put a little more time in to this New Year. Take a moment to relax and follow through on something you have put on the back burner. For whatever your reason, tell yourself that there is no better time than the present. Take that walk, call that friend, spend time with that relative, build that addition, take that vacation, play hooky and just stay in your pajamas all day, whatever it takes to make you stop and hold on to what's important in your life. With all of the disasters and tragedies we witnessed in 2017, please learn from the past and make your future bring you and your family added joy and happiness. I for one plan on making some of these changes as well. Bring on 2018.

Dates to Remember

January 1 st	Happy New Year/Center Closed	January 4 th	Music with Miss Sue
January 15 th	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/Closed	January 30 th	100 th Day of School (weather permitting)

Thank You for the Donations and your generosity

We had some Holiday Toy drive success thanks to all of our families for their unwavering support for those less fortunate in our community. We collectively assured that some children have a brighter holiday season. We thank you! Thank you to the Schlang family for the infant clothing and supplies donation, The Ciulla Family for the book donation, The Joyce/Farrah family for the toy donation, The Raymond family for the clothing donation, The Marfori's for the pull ups and The Beaulieu, Murray and Paquin families for the bag donations

Curriculum Theme for January

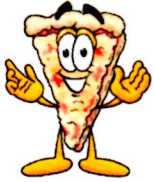
Winter Animals and Hibernation, Habitats, Winter Weather, Winter clothing

Happy Birthday to you....

Miss Marissa, Miss Jenn G., Miss Kelly, Miss Becca, Parker B., Zachary G., George L., Kingston L-S, Molly P., Ava S., Ellie S., Adam S.,

Family Mailboxes

Please take a moment to check your family mailboxes (yes, every family has one listed alphabetically by last name in the lobby just under the office window) each day at drop off or pick up. Take a few moments to go through the items left inside for you in order to stay apprised of what is going on around the center. Reading the monthly family newsletter will help eliminate any surprises regarding center events, picture days and holiday closures.



PIZZA LUNCHES/DAY CHANGE

The schedule is as follows:

January will be on Wednesdays

February/March will be on Thursdays

April/May/June will be on Fridays

***All pizza lunches cost \$2 per week and will include a slice of cheese pizza and a beverage. All orders must be paid for in cash to the office (please do not leave cash in the mailbox with the tuition checks) by no later than Monday morning each week! We cannot accommodate pizza lunch for children if you request after 10 am each Monday. Some families find it easier to order pizza lunches by the month and that is fine with us, whatever makes it easier for you. If you signed your child up for pizza and they are absent, we cannot credit them for another week. The advance ordering system means that if you requested a pizza lunch, then it was ordered for your child regardless if they show up to school that day. There will be no exceptions as all orders need to be placed in advance in order for our pizzas to be prepared and ready before the pizza shop even opens to the public. Please note that pizza lunches will stop during the summer months. Your consideration regarding this is much appreciated.



SICK POLICY-PLEASE READ...

Cold and Flu season is here and our main goal is to keep all of our children and staff healthy. Please refer to our sick and medication policy in your Parent Handbook if you need clarification regarding if your child should be at the center. We will send unwell children home in the event they have any of the listed symptoms while here at our center. All children sent home must spend 1 full symptom free day at home before returning to the center (no note is necessary if they don't need a doctor's visit or if they have been symptom free a full 24 hours) If your child does see a doctor and is being treated with ANY antibiotics, they must have a full 24-hour course of said antibiotic before they return to school. Meds that are needed in excess of 2 times a day can be given at the center but need to come to school in the bottle with the original prescription label. Please see us in the office if we can help you with any questions. If your child is complaining they are not feeling well (especially if they are not a complainer) we ask that you act on the side of caution so as not to infect the others in our center.

Your assistance and consideration are greatly appreciated regarding illness. It takes a village. Always remember that handwashing is the key to a healthy life, so please direct your children to the sink daily at drop off and before you take them home to wash away those pesky germs.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH...

"I alone cannot change the world, But I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

Mother Teresa