

Dear Parents,

Hello and Happy New Year everyone! I'm looking forward to starting 2024 with a lot of great fun! I'll continue to make a variety of creative art work throughout January Items like: glue, cotton balls, yarn, scissor paint, crayons, and many other fun things that allow creativity and fun! I will continue to encourage my young preschool to communicate and become more aware of the things we learn about on a daily basis to things around them.

Our themes for this month is about Clothes and Making Music. What do we know about Clothes? The students will learn how many buttons they have on their clothes and they'll learn what shapes they see on their clothes. What do we want to find out about Making Music? How can we make music with our voices? I will encourage the children to talk about music they enjoy singing. I'll invite the students to clap, dance, and use their hands and feet to respond to the music.

Our letter alphabets for this month: Kk, Ll, Mm, and Nn.

JUST A REMINDER: School CLOSED on Monday, January 1 and Tuesday, January 2. Please pack a lunch!

FYI: Classes will "RESUME" on Wednesday, January 3, 2024.

REMEMBER: NO Preschool on Monday, January 15 in celebration of Martin Luther King Day. The Daycare "Only" will be open all day. Pack a lunch!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us here at the Center. Thank you and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Have a blessed day,

Mrs. Vivian

Week of: January 1-5, 2024

Teacher: Mrs. Vivian

Weekly Theme: Clothes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	<div>CENTER CLOSED</div>	<div>CENTER CLOSED</div>	<div>Classes Resume</div>	<div>CLASSES RESUME</div> <div>Art: Watercolor painting</div>	<div>Blocks: severe weather structures</div> <div>Art: Cutting and gluing snow pictures</div>
Large Group	<div></div> <div></div>	<div></div> <div></div>	<div></div> <div></div>	<div>Song: "Scat Singing"</div> <div>Discussion: Winter is here!</div>	<div>Movement: marching around the classroom!</div> <div>Discussion: Let it snow!</div>
Read-Aloud	<div></div>			<div>Frosty the Snowman</div>	<div>The Mitten</div>
Small Group	<div></div> <div></div>	<div></div> <div></div>	<div></div>	<div>Tech Zone: Snow pictures</div>	<div>Math: Counting Snow</div>
Religion					
Outdoor Experiences:					
Family Partnerships:					
Wow! Experiences:					

Week of: January 8-12, 2024

Teacher: Mrs. Vivian

Weekly Theme: Clothes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	<p>Dramatic play: clothing collection</p> <p>Art: Paper plate button</p>	<p>Blocks: Baby clothes</p> <p>Art: Cutting... Pieces of paper with a variety of lines drawn on them (straight, zigzag, curved)</p>	<p>Blocks: Arctic winter wonderland</p> <p>Art: Boot Lacing</p>	<p>Music and Movement: Instruments</p> <p>Art: Tie-Dyed paper towel shirt</p>	<p>Toys and Games: fabric scraps cut into pieces to match or pattern</p> <p>Art: A Pocket for Corduroy</p>
Large Group	<p>Game: Sort by shirt design</p> <p>Discussion: Designing clothes</p>	<p>Movement: Making shapes with scarves</p> <p>Discussion: Sewing</p>	<p>Movement: Body lines</p> <p>Discussion: Thinking about lines</p>	<p>Book: Something from nothing</p> <p>Discussion: Using the fabric pieces to make clothes</p>	<p>Song: "This is the way we wash our clothes"</p> <p>Discussion: How is cloth made?</p>
Read-Aloud	<i>The Paper Bag Princess</i>	<i>Button, Button, who's got the button?</i>	<i>Uncle Nacho's Hat</i>	<i>Wash and Dry</i>	<i>Something from Nothing</i>
Small Group	Learning Alphabets	Learning Alphabets	Math:	Sorting and classifying clothes	Seek and Find
Religion	Paint Stick Letter: Kk	Paint Stick Letter: Kk	Show me five buttons		
Outdoor Experiences: Measuring tools					
Family Partnerships: We would like to ask the family member with the baby to bring one items of clothing the baby wore as a newborn.					
Wow! Experiences: Visit to the laundromat					

Week of: January 15-19, 2024

Teacher: Mrs. Vivian

Weekly Theme: Clothes

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	NO PRESCHOOL (MLK)	Library: pictures of different types of clothing	Dramatic Play: clothing collection	Library: books about clothes	Blocks: Puzzles
		Art: Handprint Mittens	Art: Paper plate winter hat	Art: Llama Llama red pajama	Art: Clothes collage
Large Group		Movement: Move like a washer or dryer	Music: a variety of instruments	Song: "Purple Pants"	Movement: Dancing with scarves
		Discussion: Measurement tools	Discussion: Looking at large sized clothes	Discussion: Clothing collection	Discussion: Remembering a trip to the laundromat
Read-Aloud		The girl who wore too much	The Mitten	Llama Llama Red Pajama	A pocket for Corduroy
Small Group		Learning Alphabets	Learning Alphabets	Math:	Shapes, Shapes, matching Shapes!
		Paint Stick Letter: Ll	Paint Stick Letter: Ll	Fingerprint Counting	
Religion					
Outdoor Experiences: Exploring scarves, clothing conversations, and physical fun.					
Family Partnership: Bring in old baby clothes that their children wore as babies.					
Wow! Experiences: Visit to the clothing store.					

Week of: January 22-26, 2024

Teacher: Mrs. Vivian

Weekly Theme: Making Music

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Library: Music books Art: Paper towel roll trumpet	Block: pictures of people playing with instruments Art: Spoon Shakers	Art: Plastic cup instruments	Library: poetry books Art: Paper towel roll maracas	Block: pictures of people playing with instruments Art: Music note collages
Large Group	Game: Walk around the shapes Discussion: vibrating vocal chords	Song: “One, Two, buckle my shoe Discussion: Making music	Movement: The wave Discussion: making instruments	Movement: Silly willy walking Discussion: Instruments sounds	Song: “Move to the beat” Discussion: Changing our voices when we sing
Read-Aloud	Who’s the King of the jungle?	Oh be careful little feet where you go	The days of the week	The monsters on the bus song	Whistle for Willie
Small Group	Learning Alphabets Paint Stick Letter: Mm	Learning Alphabets Paint Stick Letter: Mm	Math: Counting and comparing	Find the matching letter	Rhythm and Tempo
Religion					
Outdoor Experiences: Play a louder/ softer game in which I will use loud or quiet voices as clues to help children find a hidden object or location on the playground (Weather permitted).					
Family Partnerships: Invite families to look for or create opportunities to sing with their children.					
Wow! Experiences: Classroom visitor who plays an instruments.					

Week of: January 29-Feb. 2, 2024

Teacher: Mrs. Vivian

Weekly Theme: Music

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	<p>Library: pictures of different types of instruments</p> <p>Art: Spoon Shakers</p>	<p>Block: pictures of people sharing things together</p> <p>Art: Music notes matching numbers</p>	<p>Art: Paper plate tambourine</p>	<p>Blocks: cars and trucks</p> <p>Art: Kazoo</p>	<p>Games: Bingo</p> <p>Art: Plastic bottle shakers</p>
Large Group	<p>Movement: Silly willy walking</p> <p>Discussion: What's the weather like outside?</p>	<p>Game: March around the table</p> <p>Discussion: Did you say your prayer last night?</p>	<p>Movement: The wave</p> <p>Discussion: Be kind to your friends</p>	<p>Music "Hello Friends"</p> <p>Discussion: Name that shapes</p>	<p>Song: "Move to the beat"</p> <p>Discussion: Working together is fun!</p>
Read-Aloud	Whistle for Willie	Barnyard Lullaby	Music, Music Everywhere	Whistle for Willie	Barnyard Lullaby
Small Group	Learning Alphabets	Learning Alphabets			
Religion	Letter: Nn	Letter: Nn	Cutting Shapes	Fingerprint Counting	Snowflakes matching numbers
Outdoor Experiences: (Weather permitted) Exploring our outside play area.					