

January Newsletter:



Hello, Happy New Year ! I just wanted to take a moment and introduce myself to those of you who do not know me yet. I am Kisha and I will be in the classroom with your child/children on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for the remainder of the school year. I look forward to getting to know the children and their families. I am also looking forward to watching them grow and learn as much as possible in the time we have left. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to go to Ms. Judy or myself. Again I look forward to working with you and your children.

As the holidays are finally over we can concentrate on our shapes, letters, and numbers. This month the letters we will be focusing on are H, J, U, L . We will also be studying clothes and music. We will then be reviewing all of the letters and things we have learned. If you have not yet sent a picture of your family in for the family tree please do so. The pictures will be returned at the end of the school year.

Pajama day January 13 and 14.

Week of: January 3

Teacher: Ms. Kisha

Study: Clothes Letter: H

Exploring the Topic: What do we know about clothes? What do we want to find out?

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Dramatic Play: clothing collection Discover different size clothing		Dramatic Play: Different types of hats Color mitten match		Dramatic Play: doll clothes Pom pom color match
Large Group	Song: "Purple Pants" Calendar, songs		Movement: Dancing With Scarves Calendar, songs		Games: Mr. Potato Head and wooden dolls Calendar, songs
Read-Aloud	<i>Caps for Sale</i>		<i>The Mitten</i>		<i>Llama Llama Red Pajama</i>
Small Group	Exploring the Clothing Collection Cut out and paint a hat		Organizing the Clothes Collection Make a pair of mittens		Religion Red PJ's
Outdoor Experiences: Exploring Scarves; Clothing Conversations; Jump the River					
Wow! Experiences: None.					

Week of: January 9

Teacher: Ms. Kisha

Study: Clothes Letter: J

Investigation: 1. What are the features of clothes?

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Art: clothing of different sizes and features Sorting Buttons		Blocks: Measure and record Look a Junk		Art: materials to make to decorate letter J
Large Group	Song: "Farmer in the Dell" Calendar, songs		<i>Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?</i> Calendar, songs		Music: Jingle Bells Jumping Calendar, songs
Read-Aloud	<i>Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?</i>		<i>A Pocket for Corduroy</i>		<i>The Mitten</i>
Small Group	Make Biscuits and Jelly		Measure & Compare Make a pocket put the letter J inside		Religion Memory Card Game
Outdoor Experiences: Measuring Tools; Exploring Pathways					
Wow! Experiences: See how much we have grown since they were a baby					

Week of: January 16

Teacher:Ms. Kisha

Study: Music Letter U

Investigation:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Sand and Water: powder, liquid, and bar soaps; egg beaters; whisks Dramatic Play: laundry baskets		Library: letter stamps Art: Design umbrellas straight, zigzag, curved; one or two lines per sheet		Art: materials for designing a musical instrument, pencils, paper, stamps, stencils, rulers, markers
Large Group	Music: Beating Drum Patterns Calendar and songs		Music: Musical Instruments Calendar and songs		Dancing Calendar and songs
Read-Aloud	<i>Poppy and the Orchestra</i>		<i>Zin! Zin! Zin! The Violin</i>		<i>Hello World! Music</i>
Small Group	Shaving Cream Letter U		Umbrella match		Button Patterns Religion
Outdoor Experiences: Walking the Line; Going on a Line Hunt; Follow the Leader on a Line; Up and Away					
Family Partnerships:					
Wow! Experiences:					

Week of: January 23

Teacher: Ms. Kisha

Study: Clothes Letter L

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Art: Make a Musical Shaker		Art: Large paper with Letter L		Discovery: Look at objects with a "Looking glass" magnifying glass
Large Group	Clap the beat Calendar and songs		March to music Calendar and songs		Loud and soft music Listen to different types of music Celtic, Country, Jazz, Rock, Classical
Read-Aloud	<i>My family plays music</i>		<i>Wild Symphony</i>		<i>Little Critter: Just A Little Music</i>
Small Group	Lacing cards Look at sheet music		Musical Notes		Playing With -Print Mixing colors to paint a guitar
Outdoor Experiences: Follow the Leader on a Line; Up and Away; Go In and Out the Windows; Jumping Rope					
Wow! Experiences:					