

# January 2010

*Happy and Healthy  
New Year!!!*

## Newsletter



### Monthly Focus

Cultural Diversity  
Winter

### Concepts to Cover

Waddlers/Toddlers

Colors      Black, White  
Shape        Star

3's      Letters    Mm, Nn, Oo  
          Number    6  
          Shape      Star  
          Colors     Black, White

4's      Letters    Qq, Pp, Uu  
          Numbers 11, 12, 13, 14  
          Shape     Rectangle  
          Color      Gray

### Scholastic Books

Orders due by Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Story and Singing with Pastor John

Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

### Martin Luther King Day

All Sessions OPEN, January 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> for 3's and 4's. Sign up sheets will be in your child's classroom January 5<sup>th</sup>. If these times and dates do not work for you, please speak with the Director.

\*Preschool Program is CLOSED both days (1/14 & 1/15). Child care will be provided while you are in conference.

### Train Show

Train show at the United Methodist Church of Branford, Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00-3:00

\*Snow date is January 16<sup>th</sup>.

### Registration for 2009-2010

#### Preschool Program

Registration for the coming Preschool Year will begin January 5<sup>th</sup>.

Information will be distributed at this time.

*\*Child Care registration is not necessary because you are already registered. But if you would like to change your child's schedule, please let the Director know.*

### Helping Hands

I would like to thank all the people that helped with the pageant. A BIG thank you goes out to all the families that donated the refreshments. Every effort is truly appreciated!

### Proper Clothing

Please dress children appropriately for the weather including hats and mittens. If children are wearing boots to school, please provide sneakers for the inside!

# December 2009 Classroom News

## **Infant Room**

### **Miss Martie, Miss Cheryl and Miss Kelly**

December was a GREAT month in the Infant Room! We have a new infant teacher, Miss Kelly! Along with her great personality, Miss Kelly brings experience from previous Child Care work, as well as from her own child to our center! Kelly is doing well and is a perfect addition to Learn & Play!

Our infants have been very busy this month! Delia and Lilliana have begun to crawl! You go girls! We are so proud of you!!! Brian, Luke M., James, Trey, Luke G and Avery are all doing well. They are a wonderful group and love each other's company.

We all had a blast at our Annual Christmas Pageant! Our infants dressed as the Littlest Angels and really played their parts well! They were all so good! We all, of course, enjoyed our visit with Santa! We loved our gifts!

We, the Infant teachers, would like to say a very special Thank You to all our infant parents for the generous Christmas gifts that we received from you! They are wonderful!!! We hope everyone had a good Christmas and will have a joyful New Year! Looking forward to January...

## **Waddler Room**

### **Miss Di**

The month of December always brings along with it a special kind of excitement for teachers and students alike. We had the best time making snowflakes, fingerpaint mittens and gingerbread men ornaments to hang on our trees. We made some pretty little Dreidels, Santas, Christmas trees and Snowmen gifts for our parents. We hope everyone enjoyed our Annual Christmas Pageant!

I would like to extend a special thank you to Pastor John for providing our music and our parents who donated all the goodies for the Christmas Party. Miss Di also wishes to thank her fellow employees and all of the parents who so generously donated to her collection. I was so touched. I love all of your kids and will never forget the kindness you have all shown to me.

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas! Looking forward to the new year. Remember New Year's Eve..... have fun, be safe!!!!

## **Toddler Room**

### **Miss Michelle, Miss Tina and Miss Alisha**

Happy Holidays! Hope everyone had a good one!

We would like to start off by saying "Happy Birthday to E.J.". We worked on the letter G. G is for green, glove and gingerbread man. We learned about lots of different holidays like Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. We made Christmas trees, snowmen,

snowflakes, winter scenes, dreidels, menorah, mazao and other great projects. We enjoyed seeing Santa come to our school. We had a fun time in the Christmas pageant. We loved being the animals in the pageant!

We are all learning more of our colors and shapes. This month, we learned about red and rectangle. We also reviewed our colors and shapes everyday at Circle Time.

\*\*\*Parents: Please bring in spoons and forks for your child to use.

### **3 Year Old Class**

#### **Miss Pam**

What a busy month we have had! We practiced for our pageant, made ornaments for Mom and Dad and learned about Christmas and Hanukah. We mad Christmas trees with puff finger paint, buttons sequins and glitter. We did a Star of David collage with shiny ribbon, blue paper and stickers.

We learned the letters “J” and “K” with Jasper the Jelly Bean and Kiki the Kite. We have a new math game where a bear follows paw prints to his cave. We use one die so he takes one to six steps at a time.

The exciting news is that we have two new friends in our class - Jalynn and Kylie! We welcome our new friends and we look forward to playing with them.

Here’s to a Happy and Healthy New Year for all of us!

### **4 Year Old Class**

#### **Miss Stacey and Miss Ann**

December seemed to go so quickly. We were so very busy throughout the entire month. We began the month learning the letters Gg and Jj, the numbers 7 and 8, the shapes star and diamond and the color white.

We spent most of the month talking about holidays and traditions. We made Mexican Wedding Cookies for Las Posada and latkes for Hanukkah. For Christmas, we talked about the meaning of the holiday and the birth of Jesus. We made a lot of decorations for our homes and trees. We hope you enjoyed them.

The children worked very hard on practicing for the pageant. They did a wonderful job in all of their parts and songs. We hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas pageant. Thank you to all of the parents for their contributions to our Christmas party. All the help made the party a great success!

Finally – we would like to say Happy Birthday to Avery who turned 5 on December 17<sup>th</sup>! Happy Birthday, Avery!!!!

Happy 2010!