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### Newsletter **December** 2018



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### December 8<sup>th</sup>

Santa workshop will be Saturday from 9am-12pm. Their will be breakfast and cocoa with Santa. Pictures and fun winter crafts.

This Month's **Character Value: Patience** 



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12/6 Blake A.

Nina D. 12/6

Valeria T. 12/9

Eavan E. 12/10

Dalena M. 12/14

Trenden M. 12/15

Caleb M. 12/23

Samir J. 12/26

Cayson C. 12/27

Kaitlyn B. 12/29





Saturday, Dec 8th, 2018 From 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

### Get your holiday shopping done while your children have fun with Santa.

- Breakfast with Santa
- Games
- Multiple arts and crafts projects
- Hot chocolate and cookies
- Holiday spirit movie



\$10 per child

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### **COMING SOON**



Children's Lighthouse will <u>close</u>
<a href="mailto:early">early</a> for Christmas Eve
<a href="December 24th">December 24th</a> at 3pm.



We will be <u>closed</u> on December 25<sup>th</sup>.

We will close early on New Years Eve December 31st at 3pm.

We will be <u>closed</u> on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

# Polar Express Party

Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>
Kids get to wear their pajamas while we watch Polar Express and have fun with different Polar Express Activities! We will enjoy cocoa and cookies while writing letters to Santa. Bring your favorite TEDDY TOO!







### **Ho Family**

Benjamin (Dad), Jennifer (mom), Jaxon (10), Alex (7), and Elizabeth (3). They have been with us since February 2017. They enjoy spending time as a family being outdoors playing sports and camping. We are happy to have them at are school! We are so excited to see them grow with us!





### Ms.Meliah

Meliah has been with since April. She works mainly with are three and four-year-old classrooms. She is a great and helpful teacher to the children and to other staff. Thank you for all you do Ms.Meliah!

### Teaching Patience

Use reflective listening: It's hard to wait in line all morning, especially when you would rather be playing. Acknowledge the struggle and help your child verbalize her feelings. Be sure to use a calm voice, make eye contact, and keep your body posture stress-free. Sometimes kids just need to feel heard, and a little help verbalizing those frustrations in a calm manner.

Timers: How many times have you caught yourself responding to a request with "in a minute"? Minutes are meaningless to young children, made more meaningless by the fact that we say, "in a minute," but don't actually follow through. Children need to learn about delayed gratification. The next time your child asks for something when you are busy doing something else, try saying "I'm setting the timer for 2 minutes. I just have to do a few dishes, but I will be right over when the timer goes off". Often, they will have solved the problem independently before you get there. If not, they will learn that they are capable of waiting for two minutes.

Activities that require patience: One of the downsides of battery-operated lifestyles and a heavy focus on technology is that kids are over-exposed to instant gratification. Choose projects and activities that require time and patience, such as planting, mosaics (with paper), and pottery, and slower-moving games like Yahtzee Jr., Chutes & Ladders, and checkers. Planting projects are great because they learn to care for their seeds every day. They have to show great patience and diligence to help those seeds grow!

## December 2018 Curriculum News

### Infants & Toddlers —Rooms 1, 2 & 3

This month we will be discovering: Sounds/My neighborhood

We will focus on the shape: Star

We will be singing:

Old McDonald had a Farm

The Sign Language focus word for this month is:

Star

### Toddlers Curriculum Overview—Rooms 4

This month we will be learning about:

My Neighborhood

We will focus on the shape: Triangle

and the color: Red/Green

We will be singing: The Muffin Man

The Sign Language focus word for this month is: Play

#### Twos' through Five's Curriculum Overview

Character Value: Patience

Curriculum Theme: Five Senses, Reindeer, and Gingerbread

Letter Focus: Dd, Hh, Ee

Literacy Focus: The Christmas Alphabet Sign Language & Spanish: Happy - Feliz

### School-Age Curriculum

**Our Planet** 

Character Value: Patience



### December

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### Fridge Calendar

Reminders	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Infant/Toddlers Innovations
Santa's Workshop Dec. 8th 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Reindeer Games (Rm 8 & 9)	4	Decorate Gingerbread Men (Rm 7-9)		Candy cane Beads (Rm6-9)	<u>Theme</u> Sounds/ My Neighborhood
Polar Express Party December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Make Ornaments (All Classes)		Reindeer Toothpaste Experiment (Rm 8 & 9)	National Hot Cocoa Day	Polar Express Party (All Classes)	<u>Shape</u> Stars (Estrella) Triangle (Triángulo)
	17	Make Santa Hats (Rm 3-5)	Wear Your Favorite Christmas Sweater (All Classes)	20 Make Your Own Snow! (Rm 5-9)	Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest (Teachers)	<u>Colors</u> Red (Rojo) & Green (Verde)
School Closed December 25 <sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas	Christmas eve 24 School Closes at 3pm	Christmas Day 25 School Closed	26	Make New Year's Noise Makers (Rm 5-9)	28	<u>Infant Sign</u> Stars
Happy Holidays!	New Years eve Closes at 3pm	2	0	1	9	<u>Toddler Sign</u> Play





**Patience** 

C.A.R.E.S. Letters of the Month

Dd, Hh, Ee

### C.A.R.E.S. Book of the Month



C.A.R.E.S. Spanish Vocabulary

Smell – Olor Touch – Tocar Listen – Escuchar Run – Correr Merry Christmas – Feliz Navidad

#### Reindeer



Our Five Senses

Smell Touch Taste Hear See