

# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



**THE HUDSON FAMILY**



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**2023**



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HUDSON FAMILY FOR  
BEING OUR FAMILY OF THE MONTH! CASEY,  
MORGAN, LIAM, BRODY, AND EMMA HAVE BEEN  
WITH US SINCE JANUARY 2019. THANK YOU FOR  
BEING A PART OF THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY!

DEC 1	SPECIAL GUEST: SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS
DEC 7	SPECIAL EVENT: SNOW PARTY
DEC 8	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR BEGINS
DEC 14	SPECIAL GUEST: MR. MUSIC
DEC 15	SPECIAL EVENT: PARENTS NIGHT OUT 6:30PM-9:30PM
DEC 21	SPECIAL GUEST: MS. MARIA
DEC 22	HOLIDAY CLASS PARTY AND BOOK EXCHANGE
DEC 22	WE WILL CLOSE AT 2:30PM
DEC 25	CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS
DEC 29	WE WILL CLOSE AT 2:30PM
JAN 1	CLOSED FOR NEW YEARS DAY





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



HUNTER H.	MAISYN B.	WALKER B.
BRIXTON B.	AVA O.	CHRIS C.
AUSTIN H.	NAVEE S.	ROWAN W.
ALLISON W.	HARPER B.	SERENITY H.
AVERY H.	KASEN W.	MATTEW G.
CAELYN C.	MYLES S.	MS. ALYCIA
MRS. BOBBIE	MRS. NEHA	MRS. TONI
MRS. MIA		MS. OLGA

## Stem at Home

### TALLEST SNOWMAN CHALLENGE

#### DIRECTIONS:

- START BY MAKING A LARGE BASE OUT OF MARSHMALLOWS (USE TOOTHPICKS FOR EXTRA SUPPORT)
- BEGIN STACKING TO CREATE YOUR SNOWMAN.
- USE TOOTHPICKS AND SMALL MARSHMALLOWS TO MAKE ARMS
- USE THE FOOD COLOR MARKERS TO MAKE A FACE ON ONE MARSHMALLOW!



#### MATERIALS:

- MARSHMALLOWS (LARGE AND SMALL)
- TOOTHPICKS
- FOOD COLOR MARKERS (OPTIONAL)





# Curriculum Corner



## INFANT 1 & 2 ROOM 1 & 2

Theme	Spanish	Sign Language	Prop Box	Character Value
All About My Senses	Green verde Triangle triángulo	Eye <i>los ojos</i> 	My World, My Senses	Patience 
Color	Shape	Music & Movement	Finger Play Or Rhyme	Outside & Gross Motor
Green verde		"The Muffin Man"	"Open, Shut Them"	Exploring The World

### This Month's Learning Areas

Handprint Ornament	Bow Painting <i>Evidence of Learning</i>	Triangle Glitter Pat Mats	Flashlight & Mirrors	Personal Developmental Assessment Skills
Where Are The Ornaments?	Can You Stack Them?	Green Discovery Bottles	Ornament Rescue	
Picture Vocabulary Cards	Read: <i>Peek-A-Boo; See, Touch, Feel; Waiting Is Not Forever</i>	"The Muffin Man"	"Open, Shut Them"	
Who's On The Phone	Dressing For Winter	Funny Glasses	Rocking Our Babies To Sleep	

## INFANT 3 ROOM 3

Theme	Spanish	Sign Language	Prop Box	Character Value
All About My Senses	Green <i>verde</i> Triangle <i>triángulo</i> Eyes <i>los ojos</i> Ear <i>la oreja</i>	Eyes <i>los ojos</i> 	My World, My Senses	Patience 
Color	Shape	Music & Movement	Finger Play Or Rhyme	Outside & Gross Motor
Green verde		"The Muffin Man"	"Open, Shut Them"	How Fast Can I Get There?



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bow Painting	Watercolor Pine Tree <i>Evidence of Learning</i>	String of Lights	Sandy Paint	Noisy Sensory Tray
Musical Instruments	Personal Developmental Assessment Skills	Whispering Tubes	Personal Developmental Assessment Skills	Sensory Board
Read: <i>Baby Loves The Five Senses Hearing!</i>	Picture Vocabulary Cards	Read: <i>Baby Loves The Five Senses Hearing!</i>	"The Muffin Man"	Read Character Value Of The Month Book: <i>Waiting Is Not Forever</i>
Rolling Balls	Freeze Dance	Up And Down, 1,2,3!	Where Is My...?	Follow The Leader
Who's On The Phone?	Rocking Our Babies To Sleep	Going Gift Shopping	Baking Cookies	Dressing For Winter

## TODDLERS ROOM 4

Theme	Spanish	Sign Language	Prop Box	Character Value
All About My Senses	Green <i>verde</i> Triangle <i>triángulo</i> Eyes <i>los ojos</i> Ears <i>la oreja</i> Mouth <i>la boca</i> Nose <i>la nariz</i>	Eyes <i>los ojos</i> 	My World, My Senses	Patience 
Color	Shape	Music & Movement	Finger Play Or Rhyme	Outside & Gross Motor
Green verde		"The Muffin Man"	"Open, Shut Them"	How Fast Can I Get There?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gelatin Painting	Triangle Art <i>Evidence of Learning</i>	String Of Lights	Sandy Paint	Cookie Cutter Art
Shaking Bottles	Sweet and Salty Taste Test	Everything Green	Soft Sensory Bin	Glitter Bottles
Quiet or Loud?	Personal Developmental Assessment Skills	Textured Vanilla Dough	Personal Developmental Assessment Skills	Mystery Sound Tubes
Build With Green Blocks	Build A City	Building Bridges	Building A House	Pinecone Towers
Read: <i>I See</i>	Picture Vocabulary Cards	Read: <i>I See</i>	Sing: "The Muffin Man"	Read Character Value Book of The Month: <i>Remy The Rhino Learns Patience</i>
Who's On The Phone?	Getting Baby Ready To Go	Going Gift Shopping	Baking Cookies	Rocking Our Babies To Sleep

## PRESCHOOL II ROOM 5 & 6

PS2 Lesson Plan	Themes	Alphabet Letters	Spanish & Sign	Book/Author	Character Value	
	Dinosaurs  Five Senses  Holidays Around The World	D  E  H  Review	Smell <i>Olor</i> 	<i>The Gingerbread</i>  Alphabet Book: <i>The ABCs of Yoga Kids Around The World</i>	Patience  	
	This Week...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	The Learning Wall	LC, AP, L: Letter, Spanish, Sign, Book, Character Value, Pledge, SS: Weather  SS: Calendar, M: Number of the Day				
Closed for Holiday		ELR: Month Review - Letters & Sounds; Read Book Of The Month	ELR: Re-read A CARES Book From The Month	ELR: Read Book Of Teacher's Choice	ELR: Read Character Value Book Of The Month	
		SE: Character Value Discussion	SE: Discuss An Emotion/Feeling	SE: How Do You Feel Today?	SE: Character Value In Action Discussion	
		PD, LC: Cumulative Review "Letter Song" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Cumulative Review "The ABC Action Song"	PD, LC: Review "Letter ___What Do You Say?" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Teacher's Choice	
	ELR.1: Name Letter Hunt	ELW.4: Connecting Around The World	ELW.4: Practicing Patience	ELW.2, ELR.2: Handwriting Review		
Music & Movement	Closed for Holiday	SS.2, SS.9: New Year's Time Capsule	M.1, M.3: How Many Peppermints?	SS.2, FA.4: Countdown Ball	FA.4: New Year's Day Party Shakers	
Learning Lesson Session		Anthill Amphitheater: "What would happen if we dip a soapy cotton swab in milk that has glitter on it?"	Workout Wonder: Run Around The World	Exploration Station: Young explorers will dig in dirt and discover dinosaurs.	Exploration Station: Young explorers will dig in dirt and discover dinosaurs.	
		3E: Outdoor Learning		Yoga Yurt For The Month: Intentional Breathe (Nose); Desk; Rhombus (Diamond); Egg;		

### This Month's Centers That Shine




Art (1 per Week)	Library	Literacy	Math	Science	Skills
Wk 13: Dinosaur Tracks Wk 14: Fizzy Sound Sensory Painting Wk 15: Gingerbread People Painting Art Wk 16: Holiday "Stained Glass" Candle Wk 18: New Year's Fireworks Group Art	Books About Dinosaurs; Books About Five Senses; Books About Holidays Around The World; Books About Patience	Gingerbread Man Story Sequencing; Alphabet Letter Sorting Cards: D, E, H; Green & Red Word Card Sorting; Sensory Letter Tracing: D, E, H	Gingerbread Shape Matching; Digging For Diamonds; Evergreen Tree Sets: 1-4; Dino Footprint Patterns (ABB)	Sensory Sorting: Soft Or Hard; Gingerbread Color Matching & Memory Game; Thumbs Up Smells & Thumbs Down Smells; Holiday Foods From Around The World We Are Different, We Are All the Same	Tray Puzzles With 7+ Pieces; It's A Snap! Fine Motor Skill Development; Tearing Paper
Blocks Stacking Holiday Gifts		Dramatic Play Dressing Up For The Holidays		Sand & Water Dino Swamp	






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

## PRESCHOOL 3 ROOM 7

PS3 Lesson Plan	Themes	Alphabet Letters	Spanish & Sign	Book/Author	Character Value
	Dinosaurs  Five Senses  Holidays Around The World	D  E  H  Review	Taste <i>Sabor</i> 	<u>The Gingerbread</u> <i>Alphabet Book: The ABCs of Yoga Kids Around The World</i> 	Patience 
This Week...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Learning Wall	LC: APL: Letter, Spanish, Sign, Book, Character Value, Pledge, SS: Weather				Show & Tell: Bring Something That Has a Special Taste
	SS: Calendar, M: Number of the Day				
	ELR: Month Review - Letters & Sounds; Read Book Of The Month	ELR: Read <i>Sheila Rae's Peppermint Stick</i>	ELR: Read Book Of Teacher's Choice	ELR: Read <i>Sheila Rae's Peppermint Stick</i>	ELR: Read Character Value Book Of The Month
	SE: Character Value Discussion	SE: Discuss An Emotion/Feeling	SE: How Do You Feel Today?	SE: Character Value In Action Discussion	SE: What Have You Learned This Week?
<i>Music &amp; Movement</i>	PD, LC: Month Review - "Letter Song" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Month Review - "The ABC Action Song"	PD, LC: Month Review - "Letter ____ What Do You Say?" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Teacher's Choice	PD, LC: Children's Free Choice Day
Learning Lesson Session	ELW.4, M.1: Gingerbread Cookie Recipe  SS.5: <i>Mini Reader</i> "Holidays Around The World"	ELW.4, SCI.8: Dinosaur Names  FA.4, FA.6: Wrapping Paper Collage	FA.1, LC.5: <i>Mini Reader</i> "Holiday Colors"  M.5: Candle Sizes	PD.3, ELR.3: Glue Tracing  M.1, SCI.6: Measuring With Peppermints	SS.5: Multicultural Friends  SS.5: Some Skin Is...
3E: Outdoor Learning	Workout Wonder: Leaping Hares	Anthill Amphitheater: "What will happen if we dried our tongues and tasted something?"	Workout Wonder: Leaping Hares	Exploration Station: Young explorers will go on a smelling hunt to find different scents.	Activity Follow-Up and Make-Up Time
	Yoga Yurt For The Month: Intentional Breathing (I Am Patient); Hero: Gorilla; Downward Dog				
This Month's Centers That Shine					
Art (1 per Week)	Library	Literacy	Math	Science	Skills
Wk 13: Dinosaur Bone Dig Art	Books About Dinosaurs; Books About Five Senses; Books About Holidays Around The World; Books About Patience	5 Senses Sorting; Alphabet Letter Sorting Cards: D, E, H; Gingerbread Man Game; Left & Right Mitten Match; Alphabet Letter Tracing Mat: D, E, H	Counting Candles: Hanukkah & Kwanza; How Many Holiday Treats?; Sequence The Evergreens; Dino Number Stamp; On A Diamond Hunt	Children Around The World Matching; Contrasting Gingerbread People; Sense Of Light: Dark Or Light; Dinosaur World Game; Senses Memory Game	Playdough Cookies; Screwing Toys; Giant Tweezers & Bells
Wk 14: Evergreen Snips					
Wk 15: Sensory Gingerbread Art					
Wk 16: Holiday Candle Holder					
Wk 17: New Year's Eve Firework Art					
Blocks		Dramatic Play		Sand & Water	
Valley Of The Dinosaurs		Baking For The Holidays		Dino Mud Pit	

## PRE-K ROOM 8

Pre-K Lesson Plan	Themes	Alphabet Letters	Spanish & Sign	Book/Author	Character Value
	Dinosaurs Five Senses Holidays Around The World	d e h Review	Touch <i>Tocar</i> 	<i>The Gingerbread Man</i> 	Patience 
This Week...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Learning Wall	Closed for Holiday	LC: Letter, Spanish, Sign, Book, Character Value, Pledge, SS: Weather			Show & Tell: Something That Start With D/E/H
		SS: Calendar, M: Number of the Day			
		ELR: Review - Letters & Sounds and Sight Words	ELR: Re-read a CARES Book From The Month	ELR: Read Book Of Teacher's Choice	ELR: Read Character Value Book Of The Month
		SE: Character Value Discussion	SE: Discuss An Emotion/Feeling	SE: How Do You Feel Today?	SE: Character Value In Action Discussion
Music & Movement	Closed for Holiday	PD, LC: Cumulative Review - "Letter Song" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Cumulative Review - "The ABC Action Song"	PD, LC: Cumulative Review - "Letter ____ What Do You Say?" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Teacher's Choice
ELW.3, ELW.4: The Letter D		ELW.3, ELW.4: The Letter E	ELW.3, ELW.4: The Letter H	SCI.3: Using My Sense	
SCI.10, APL.7: Observing Differences		ELW.4, FA.6: I Am A Snowman	SCI.12, M.11: Following Directions	FA.9: My Favorites	
Anthill Amphitheater: Teacher will ask... "What would happen if we couldn't see or feel textures with our eyes"		Workout Wonder: Active Exercise: Skipping Around The World Time Challenge	Explora tion Station: Young explorers will put on different types of gloves and explore outside.	Activity Follow-Up and Make-Up Time	
3E: Outdoor Learning		Yoga Yurt For The Month: Intentional Breathing (I Am Patient); Hero: Eagle; Drum			
This Month's Centers That Shine					
Art (1 per Week)	Library	Literacy	Math	Science	Skills
Wk 13: My Pterodactyl Dinosaur Wk 14: Multicultural Holiday Spice Scented Watercolor Art Wk 15: My Gingerbread Person Wk 16: Design A Multicultural Holiday Card Wk 17: New Year's Celebration Hats From Around The World	Books About Dinosaurs; Books About Five Senses; Books About Holidays Around The World; Books About Patience	Dinosaur Letter Stamp: Bb & Dd; Holidays Of The World: Letter Writing Mats: D, E, H; World Family Life-A-Flap Cards: -ell, Review	Digging For Diamond & Hexagon Gems; Evergreen Math Trees; Candy Cane Stripes; Odds & Evens; Dino -1 Or -1 Game; Gingerbread Teen" Number Puzzle	Chinese New Year & Christmas Dessert Memory Game; Dinosaur Puzzle; Where Did The Holiday Dessert Go? Shapes To Shadows; My 5 Senses	Playdough Holiday Cookies; Candy Cane Bead Lacing
Blocks		Dramatic Play		Sand & Water	
Engineer An Elegant Holiday Candle Holder		Paleontologist Station		Digging For Diamonds	

## ADVANCED PRE-K ROOM 9

APK Lesson Plan	Themes	Alphabet Letters	Spanish & Sign	Book/Author	Character Value
	Dinosaurs Five Senses Holidays Around The World	d e h Review	Run Correr 	The Gingerbread Man 	Patience 
This Week...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Learning Wall	LC: Letter, Spanish, Sign, Book, Character Value, Pledge, SS: Weather				Show & Tell: Bring a Dinosaur
	SS: Calendar, M: Number of the Day				
	ELR: Letter g & Sound; Sight Words "down" & "up"; Word Family -ell	ELR: Dinosaur Bones	ELR: Read Please Don't Tell About Mom's Bell	ELR: Read Book Of The Month	ELR: Read Character Value Book Of The Month
	SE: Character Value Discussion	SE: Discuss An Emotion/Feeling	SE: How Do You Feel Today?	SE: What Have You Learned This Week?	SE: Character Value In Action Discussion
Music & Movement	PD, LC: "Letter Song" With Letter Of The Week & Theme Choice	PD, LC: "The ABC Action Song" Using Letter Of The Week	PD, LC: "Letter D, What Do You Say?" & Theme Choice	PD, LC: Teacher's Choice	PD, LC: Children's Free Choice Day
Learning Lesson Session	ELW.2, FA.4: Letter Of The Week D ELW.2, FA.7: Mini Reader "Dinosaur Colors"	ELW.2, SCI.3: Names Of Dinosaurs SCI.3, FA.4: Tissue Paper Dinosaur	ELW.2: Handwriting Letter D PD.3, M.10: Dinosaur Match	ELW.2, ELR.4: Sight Word "down" FA.6, M.2: Build A Dinosaur	ELW.2: Dictionary Letter D SCI.2: Measuring With Dinos
3E: Outdoor Learning	Workout Wonder: Active Exercise: Dancing Dinos	Anthill Amphitheater: Teacher will ask... "What would happen if we walked in mud like the dinosaurs?"	Workout Wonder: Active Exercise: Dancing Dinos	Exploration Station: Young explorers will estimate how many inches the dino's shadows will be.	Exploration Station: Young explorers will estimate how many inches the dino's shadows will be.
Yoga Yurt For The Month: Intentional Breathing (I Am Patient); Hero; Eagle; Drum					
This Month's Centers That Shine					
Art (1 per Week)	Library	Literacy	Math	Science	Skills
Wk 13: Dino Dig Fossil Art	Books About Dinosaurs; Books About Five Senses; Books About Holidays Around The World; Books About Patience	Bell-ell Puzzle Match; Roll A Jingle Sight Word; Holiday Symbols Around The World; Syllables Say & Clap; Winter Multicultural Festivals & Holidays Game; Lift-A-Flip Cards: ell, -ay, & Review	Measuring With Candy Canes; Hexagon Hunt; Dino Dot-To-Dot; Whole, Half, Thirds, Fourths; Holiday Sudoku	My Five Senses; Name That Noise; Rough & Smooth Textures; Can You Match The Festive Candle To Its Shadow?; Bones & Fossils	Playdough Holiday Cookies; Tying Bows
Wk 14: Teacher's Choice For Family Art Gift					
Wk 15: Multicultural Holiday Candle Holders					
Wk 16: Artist Corner: Picasso Portraits					
Wk 17: Chinese New Year's Lanterns					
Blocks		Dramatic Play		Sand & Water	
Engineer An Elegant Holiday Candle Holder		Paleontologist Station		Digging For Diamonds	

## QUESTERS ROOM 10

Questing Studio Lesson Plan	Community Challenge	Character Value
	Under Our Own Roof This month we will learn that community can also be thought of as the group of people directly around you. The groups of people, from babies to adults, in your school are all part of your community. We can find ways to help within this small community of people.	Patience 
This Month's Challenges		
Science	Technology	Reading
Technology	Engineering	Art
Reading	Math & Games	
Team		
Create A Cookbook	Meet Me Over The River	Making Winter Boots
		Toy Inventor
Solo		
Magnificent Morse Code	Can You Fit Through an Index Card?	Put A Spin On Art
	Towering Toothpicks	Roll A Snowman
Outdoor		
Elephant Rumble	Protect Your Pizza!	Defend The Hoop
Flying Snowmen		Tic Tac Relay
Expansion Pack		
Science	Technology	Reading
Technology	Engineering	Art
Reading	Math & Games	
Alpine Ski Course	Blizzard Buster	Snowman Stretch
	Log Cabin Living	Party Pops
		Home Sweet Home



This Month's Character Value

# PATIENCE

BOOKS ABOUT PATIENCE:



Owners  
KELLY AND BENJAMIN DEAN

Director  
ELIZABETH BACON

Assistant Director  
SARAH NOEL

Curriculum Coordinator  
LENNYS MARTINEZ

Administrative Assistant  
CARLEY CHARLES

Closing Manager  
ALEXA RAMIREZ



## Family Referral Program

REFER A FAMILY TO CHILDREN'S  
LIGHTHOUSE OF WOODLANDS  
SPRINGS TO EARN BOTH FAMILIES A  
FREE WEEK OF QUALITY CHILDCARE.

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## A LETTER FROM OUR NEW OWNERS:

Dear Families and Staff,

We are Benjamin and Kelly Dean and are very excited to meet all of you. We both grew up in Keller and graduated from Keller high school. We have been married for 15 years and have 2 children, Caleb who is 14 and Karly who is 11. They are in 9<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Central high and Parkwood Intermediate.

We have been part of the Lighthouse Family for just over 8 years as the proud owners of Children's Lighthouse of Heritage on Shiver Road in Keller. Kelly has been in the childcare business as a teacher, assistant director, director and now owner for over 20 years. Benjamin has close to 20 years of experience in sales and customer service in the home improvement industry.

We invested in Children's Lighthouse because we believe in the brand promise. We create safe, happy places for children to learn and grow. We can't wait to get to know you and your children and the great staff at Woodland Springs!

Sincerely,  
Benjamin and Kelly Dean

