

Park Lake Post- January 2020

Park Lake Presbyterian Child Care Center News

Happy New Year to all of our Park Lake families! Hopefully, everyone had a nice holiday break. You should have now received a partial tuition credit for the week of Dec. 30-Jan. 3. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Ms. Barbara or stop by the office.

From the bottom of our hearts, the staff of Park Lake wants to thank each and every one of you who supported the staff Christmas bonus, whether it was your time, talents, or gifts to make it all possible. We appreciate your generosity!

Please look for your 2019 tax statements in your mailbox by mid-month.

We wish you and your family a healthy and prosperous New Year!

HAPPY★NEW★YEAR

Infant Room

'It's the most wonderful time of the year!' We were so excited to have many Christmas creative projects in our room. We made a Christmas tree canvas, ornaments, and foot-print snowmen. We hope you loved these special gifts!

We welcomed James Holzman to our class in December. He has a warm smile when he greets us, that melts our hearts! We wished Hera a Happy 1st Birthday! She is ready to explore the Toddler Room after the holiday break. Beckett always surprises us with her progress. She is now walking confidently around the room. Elin is now crawling and pulling up on furniture. James C. can now roll over and will get into a rocking motion in preparation for crawling. Graham is enjoying his meals and is crawling around. Lincoln is our "roly-poly", who loves to roll over and is now army crawling. Jack is sitting up more on his own with little support and engages with his friends while playing.

We hope you all have a Happy New Year!

Toddler Room News

Happy New Year to our Toddler families! We hope you had a wonderful time with your family during the holidays.

In December, we said good-bye to Cate, who has embraced the Two's Class! It's so good to see her learning new things and having time with old friends and new ones. We also welcomed Rowan from the Infant Room. She is doing great!

Our Toddlers have really enjoyed playing with the snowman, the Christmas Tree, creating art for the holidays and practicing for the Christmas Program. We all looked so "good" with our Hawaiian themed attire! Thank you for all of the help and participation to make our performance a special one!

We are looking forward to this new month and new year!

Calendar of Events:

- ☺ January 15: Wiggle Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.
- ☺ January 20: Center Closed for ML King Day

Staff Birthdays:

Ms. Annette 1/3
Ms. Carla 1/22



News from the Two's Room

December was full of exciting learning activities and holiday art projects. We learned more about Christmas by asking the children what they know about the holiday. We had a snowball "fight" in the classroom, as we made our own pretend snow and got to experience the texture of what it might feel like.

The Two's Class spent a lot of time practicing for the Christmas Program with our song, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town." Thank you for joining us for this special event!

One of the final activities of December was our classmate book exchange. The children loved receiving a new book to bring home!

Thank you for such a good year. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's Day!



Threes News

During the month of December, we learned more about the following themes: Snow, Winter Clothes, and Christmas. We learned about upper and lowercase letters Jj, Ee, and Rr. We reviewed numbers 1- 10 and the square and rectangle shapes.

Our class really enjoyed practicing our songs for the Christmas Program. We thought it was a huge success and everyone participated well. We were very proud of the children and the teamwork they showed when creating their class wreath and canvas painting for the Silent Auction.

We welcomed Kinsley to our Three's Class. She moved up from the Two's Class in early December and we have enjoyed having her in our class. She is happy to be back with some of her old friends!

We wish everyone a Happy New Year and are looking forward to all of the fun learning activities we have planned for January!

Pre-K Fours News

The month of December brought a lot of fun activities for the Fours Class! The children built a gingerbread house and then tasted a small piece of it after they completed the house. Surprisingly, before they ate it, they said "Grace", which is our meal time prayer. So sweet!

We enjoyed practicing our Christmas Carols in English and in Spanish to perform at the Christmas Program. The children really picked up the songs quickly! They are so amazing! We are grateful for all of the family members and friends who came out to watch the children perform on stage. The children were also very busy creating Christmas gifts and working on our classroom wreath and canvas for the Silent Auction. Lots of activities!

The Fours learned about the true meaning of Christmas and enjoyed decorating the classroom with their own crafts they made. We were sad to say good-bye to Ms. Amy, who is moving away. We wish her well in her new adventure!

Last, but not least, the children continued reviewing all of the alphabet letter names and sounds. We even have some interested in beginning to read the "Bob Books". We hope everyone enjoyed their holiday break!

VPK/Pre-K Five's News

December was such a busy time for all of us in VPK! We spent a lot of time learning the 6 songs to perform at the Christmas Program! Thank you to all of the families who provided costumes, helping make our Nativity show so special!

Some of our activities for December included making snow globes, ornaments, Christmas trees, gingerbread people, our class wreath and canvas. It was just like Santa's workshop!

We had a spectacular time celebrating Christmas with our book exchange, our Polar Express/pajama party and our delicious class Christmas party with so many yummy treats! We wish all of our VPK families the happiest of holidays! And a fabulous beginning of 2020!

