

Newton-Watertown Creative Start ~ Children's Center
Parent Newsletter
December 2023



Important Dates:

Tuesday, December 12th-Parent Meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Wed. Dec. 13th -Policy Council at 10:00 a.m. in Lexington

Friday, Dec. 22nd- early release day

Monday, Dec. 25th-Monday, Jan. 1st-closed for vacation week.

Monday, Jan. 8th-closed for Professional Development

Family Engagement

Our next Family Event, Lullabies from Around the World, will be held on Thursday, January 4th at pick up times, 12:15-12:45 and 2:00-2:30 p.m.

Parent Meeting

Please join us for our December Parent Meeting on Tuesday, December 12th at 11:45 a.m.

Your child's teacher will be contacting you soon to complete

a
Parent/ Teacher Conference

A note from Miss Donna and Miss Hana

Please check with your child's teacher to make sure your child has a set of winter clothes here at the center. Also, since regulations state that the children go out daily, send your child in with a hat and mittens, and boots if there is snow on the ground. Please label clothing as best you can!

Please remember to call the center (617-527-6689) after 8:00 a.m. if your child is going to be late or absent. Please do not text or email the teachers. Thank you!

Social-Emotional Information with Miss Shachi

Your child is learning about how to identify other's feelings by looking at their face and body. Knowing how others feel will help children make friends, keep friendships, and expand their social skills and **Empathy**. Please ask your child about a time when they felt happy or sad

Happy December

Birthday to:

Isaiah-12/4
Muhammad S.-12/7
Shirley-12/17
Asher-12/21
Joy-12/23

Classroom 2-Miss Anahita and Miss Barbara

What we learned about in the month of November: Fall and Harvest, the changes we see in the weather, changes in the leaves and things we may harvest such as pumpkins! We also talked about colors and how we make other colors when we mix them.

Favorite activities in the month of November: Sorting leaves by size and color, mixing colors using paint and markers, using our scale to weigh apples and small gourds.

Favorite book from the past month: Pumpkin Pumpkin by Jeanne Titherington

Favorite song from the past month: "The Color Song"

What we will be learning about in the month of December: families and friends, exploring the STEM topic of clothing, discovering textures and finding patterns.

Family Engagement activities: Fall Scavenger Hunt and Show Me How It Feels

Classroom 3-Miss Carla and Miss Jen

What we learned about in the month of November: our families and friends, and using the words thank you, different kinds of weather, and how we wear different clothes depending on the weather.

Favorite activities in the of month of November: The children really enjoyed playing with the dress up dolls, taking nature walks and making leaf rubbings with the leaves we found. They also enjoyed making ramps and roads with blocks to drive their toy cars on.

Favorite book from the past month: Charlie Needs a New Cloak by Tomie dePaola

Favorite song from the past month: "The Weather Song"

Favorite fingerplay from the past month: "Take a Trip on My Rocketship"

What we will be learning about in the month of December: We will be doing an Author Study on Jane Yolan and learning about All Around the World World

Family Engagement activities: sent home squishy bags, and plate collages of our favorite foods

Classroom 4-Miss Toba, Miss Robina, Miss Vehanush

What we learned about in the month of November: Family and Friends and our STEM topic was Clothing/Patterns/Textures (MATH) the children enjoyed talking about family members and also making picture frame for their family portrait that drawing by them.

Favorite activities in the month of November: Yarn painting and cutting outline hand prints and guling their pictures to decorate their handprint . the children were so excited to take them home. STEM: we talked about different types and different sizes and doing math throughout of the day.

Favorite book from the past month: The Color of Us by Karen Katz

Favorite song from the past month: "The More We Get Together"

What we will be learning about in the month of December: We will learn about the author Eric Carle and our STEM topic Earth/Space science.

Family Engagement activities: Sending home play dough recipe