

Macklin House Daycare Newsletter

January 2012



Upcoming Dates and Events

Jan 2 - Centre Closed

- lieu New Years Day

9 - Schools re-open

16 - Martin Luther King Day

23 - Chinese New Year

Year of the Dragon



Quote of the month

In the final analysis it is not what you do for your children but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings.

~ Ann Landers ~

Update from the Office

The New Year has begun and we would like to wish all our families prosperity and health for the upcoming year.

For the new year, we will be reviewing all children's records and files. Please ensure that you submit immunization records to the office each and every time your child receives their immunizations.

We will also be reviewing contact information to ensure that our information is current and up to date.

The winter weather has finally begun and we anticipate being able to enjoy the fresh air and playing the snow.

Please ensure your child is warmly dressed and has extra clothes so that they can enjoy the winter season.

With the colder climate, colds and flu's are accepted to increase. We would like to

remind parents that both teachers and children must follow our protocol of producing a medical note indicating when they are well enough to return to group care. Following this policy will ensure that we keep germs and viruses to a minimum.

The ministry has implemented a new policy for all licensed daycare. If and when our centre has a serious occurrence, it will be posted on our main board for ten days, summarizing the detail of the serious occurrence, this is in efforts to provide a transparent and quality service to all families.

Please speak to the office should you need any clarification or further details regarding this matter.

Infant Room

We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and best wishes for 2012. We also want to wish Leslie a Happy 1st Birthday.

In the month of January the Infants will be focussing on:

- New Years
- Colors
- Alphabet
- Shapes

We would like to remind our parents to bring pictures of their family to help us complete our family tree. Please bring them in and hand into your infant room teacher by Monday January 8th, 2012.

Another friendly reminder, the winter season began Thursday December 22nd, 2011. So please ensure your children come dressed appropriately for the colder days. The infants do go out in the mornings and afternoons for a short while so it's important they are dressed warmly.

Toddler Room

This month we would like to give a special shout out to Hope, Rosanna and Michele who celebrate their birthdays this month. Happy Birthday to all our friends.

This month the Toddlers will focus on:

- New Years
- Winter Clothing
- Winter Weather

The children will also be learning new winter songs for our social group times along with winter stories.

Parents please remember to bring hats, mittens, scarves, boots and warm coats so all of our children can enjoy their outdoor program.

Also be reminded that when you come to pick up or drop off your child you come into the classroom to undress and dress your child and acknowledge them by saying hi and goodbye.



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Junior Room

We would like to wish all our families and friends a Happy New Year.

We have many birthdays to celebrate in January. We would like to wish Calderon, Tiffany, Aniyah and James a very Happy Birthday!

This month the juniors will focus on:

- New Year's Celebration
- Chinese New Year
- Winter weather
- Winter clothes

We will be introducing new songs to the children; "Ni Hao to you" and "See the Lion Dance and Prance.

The junior room teachers have reminders for you. Please make sure you sign your child in and out on the attendance. Also bring your child's winter clothing in; with the colder weather creeping up the children will be spending some time in the playground in the mornings and afternoons.

Kinder Room

Wishing all our families and friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

In the month of January the Kinders will be focusing and learning about:

- New Years
- Winter
- Winter animals
- Chinese New Year

A friendly reminder from the Kinder teachers, please see your children are dressed warmly for the weather with snow pants, boots, gloves/mittens etc. Also please label your children's clothing with a black permanent marker.



Senior Room

We wish all our families a very Happy New Year. Welcome to 2012.

This month the seniors will focus on:

- Winter Wonderland
- Winter Sports
- Winter Clothes
- Winter Animals
- Chinese New Year

Parents are reminded to please bring in the children's winter clothing as it is getting colder outside we would like the children dressed warmly.

Also please let your senior room teachers know of your child's winter attendance. Make sure you have checked off the days you will be attending.

KidZone

We would like to welcome all our parents back from the holidays We wish everyone a Happy New Year may this year bring lots of peace and happiness.....

The KidZone children will be learning about many new things this month such as:

- Mysteries of King Tut
- Hidden Treasures around the world
- The Mayan world

Children will learn about these fun topics using a variety of resources from encyclopaedias, internet based research, books and many many more.....

Keep in mind children are coming from school between the 3:00 and 4:00, so please give your child and teacher enough time for snack, completing homework and getting the opportunity to complete the arts and crafts our program has to offer.

Also please make sure you take the time to come downstairs and speak to your teachers about your child's progress, helping them tidy up and gathering their belongings at the end of the day.

PLEASE make sure you call the centre before hand to inform the office and your teachers if your child will be absent.