



# Little Village Preschool

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## January 2022 News from the Office...

Happy  
New Year!

### \*\*January Themes\*\*

Arctic Animals  
Resolutions  
Special Abilities  
Snow  
Winter  
Hibernation

Happy New Year! December was an extremely fun, but busy month! The Christmas program was super cute and all the children did such a wonderful job. We LOVED having Santa visit this year, he always keeps everyone on their toes during the month of December. I hope you all had a relaxing holiday season and enjoyed some quality time with the people you love the most, AND, if you did that, you're probably ready to get back to school and work!



THANK YOU to everyone who donated to Hannah's Socks this year, your generosity never ceases to amaze me. We filled up two large boxes!

Getting into the new year now, just want to give everyone a reminder about inclement weather days. The center will only close if it is a level 3 snow emergency in Lucas County. The children will not go outside if the temperature is 25 degrees or less or the wind chill makes it seem that cold. If the temperature is warmer than that, the children will make an effort to go outside, so make sure your child has all the necessary clothing to do so (boots, jackets, snow pants, gloves or mittens, hats, scarves etc.).

Last of all, January 14th is Pajama Day, our favorite day of the year! Send your child to school in their comfiest pj's, we will not go outside that day!

### January Birthdays

Maddox A.	2
Nora Grace H.	6
Brayden C.	3
Marvin D. Miss Michele	4



## Miss Cheryl, Miss Angel, Miss Ashley — Infant Room News

Happy New Year! We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with their families!

As we head into winter, January brings winter themes including snowmen, snowflakes, and arctic animals. Hopefully the babies will get to play in some snow this month!

They will be working on their fine motor skills by using their hands to pick up small items and by manipulating small pieces to create their very own unique snowmen.

Wesson and Bailey are our new eaters eating all school meals! Way to go little guys!

Our student of the month is Austin! Austin is adorable, and he made his acting debut this past December playing baby Jesus in our Christmas Program.

We hope you all have a great month!



## Miss Sophia — Toddler I News

I Hope that everyone had safe and amazing holidays! This month we will be learning about New Years and how other countries celebrate it, as well as Arctic Animals, Winter, and bakery treats! We have fun activities we will be completing like painting with ice cubes to work our fine motor skills. We will also be doing a 'snowball' toss into a basket, and penguin waddling with balloons to work on our traveling and balance skills.

Our student of the month is Skylar D, who is a fun, smart, and outgoing girl who loves her friends very much!

Our friend Maddox turns the big 2 this month! Happy birthday buddy!

On the 14th of this month we will have our center wide Pajama Day, so wear your comfiest PJ's to school!

Everyone stay safe & healthy, and have a great month!

## Miss Angela —Toddler II News



Hello families! Welcome back and happy new year I'm so happy to be back with the kids and have so many fun activities planned.

January's student of the month is Colton B. Colton is a great helper and loves to play with his friends and we love having his happy face in the toddler room!

We will be exploring many fun themes throughout the month, some of which include New Year's, arctic animals, winter and sweet treats/bakery! We are going to make our own LVP bakery and engage with the kids through dramatic play and work on their social emotional skills through sharing and interacting with friends.

Only one important date to remember this month: January 14th, which is Pajama Day!

I also just wanted to take a quick second to give a massive thank you to all the parents/kids who got us teacher gifts! We appreciate them, and you all, so much!!

## Miss Kylie —Toddler III News

Hello families! Welcome to 2022! I hope everyone enjoyed their holiday break! This month, we have many exciting activities planned. In celebration of the New Year, we will be making a class project of all our handprints. Our students will be learning about the New Year and all the traditions that go along with it.

Be on the lookout for Snow Owl Painting! Students will be learning about what animals live in the Arctic. We will also be discussing how the animals are able to live in such cold weather.

As we go further into winter, we will be discussing what kind of weather changes we could see outside, such as snow! We will even be creating our own snowy winter wonderland.

When January comes to an end, we will be learning about all our favorite treats. We will be decorating cookies to bring home to our mommies and daddies!

Our student of the month is Scarlett S. Scarlett is very outgoing and spunky. She loves to sing Lion King to you! She's been an amazing addition to our Toddler III class!

Important Dates:

January 11th: Happy 2nd Birthday Maddox!

January 14th: Pajama Day

January 17th: Martin Luther King Day



## MISS LEXI— PRESCHOOL I

HELLO AND WELCOME 2022! WOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I HOPE YOU ALL ENJOYED YOUR HOLIDAYS. IT'S GREAT TO SEE ALL THE KIDS SMILING FACES AGAIN.

THIS MONTH, WE WILL START OFF TALKING ABOUT ARCTIC ANIMALS. WE WILL BE MAKING SPLAT PAINT PENGUINS, ARCTIC FOXES AND POLAR BEARS (JUST TO NAME A FEW). WE WILL ALSO BE DOING A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT ON HOW ARCTIC ANIMALS STAY WARM IN ICY WATER. IN OUR MATH CENTER, WE WILL HAVE SOME FILE FOLDER GAMES TO HELP US EXPAND OUR COUNTING SKILLS. WE WILL ALSO READ SOME BOOKS BY OUR AUTHOR OF THE MONTH, JAN BRETT ("THE MITTEN", "THE HAT")

THE SECOND WEEK OF JANUARY, WE WILL FOCUS ON WINNIE THE POOH (IT'S HIS BIRTHDAY ON JANUARY 13TH). ON FRIDAY OF THAT WEEK, WE WILL HAVE PAJAMA DAY (YEAH!) AND WE WILL ALSO HAVE A MOVIE DAY, AND WATCH A WINNIE THE POOH MOVIE.

THE FOLLOWING WEEK, WE WILL BE REVIEWING ALL OF OUR MONTHLY TOPICS. WE WILL FOCUS ON OUR LETTERS OF THE MONTH (L IS FOR LOLLIPPOP AND F IS FOR FEATHERS). WE WILL BE MAKING A CANADIAN FLAG AND WE WILL TRACE THE NUMBERS 5 AND 12. TO INCREASE OUR FINE MOTOR SKILLS AND OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE ARTS, WE WILL BE SPLATTER PAINTING IN THE STYLE OF OUR ARTIST OF THE MONTH, JACKSON POLLOCK.

AFTER OUR TOPIC REVIEW WEEK, WE WILL FINISH UP THE MONTH WITH A SNOW THEME WHERE WE WILL RE-READ "THE MITTEN" BY JAN BRETT AND SEE IF ANY OF OUR FRIENDS CAN REMEMBER WHAT THE STORY WAS ABOUT. WE WILL BE MAKING MITTENS AS WELL AS REVIEWING OUR MATH AND SCIENCE FILE FOLDERS BACK FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH.

### HOMEWORK

WEEK I: NAME TRACE

WEEK III: NUMBER MATCH

WEEK IV: MITTEN

OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE BECKHAM H. BECKHAM IS A VERY FUNNY LITTLE BOY WHO LOVES TO MAKE HIS FRIENDS LAUGH. BECKHAM IS ALWAYS BEING FUNNY AND SMILING!

JUST A REMINDER THAT WE WILL HAVE PAJAMA DAY ON THE 14TH!

AS ALWAYS, I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT ALL THE KIDS LEARN THIS MONTH! I HOPE YOU ALL ENJOYED 2021 AND HERE'S TO A NEW YEAR!



## Miss Mandy— Preschool II News

Happy New Year! Welcome back! I hope you all had a great holiday and new year, much needed family time and new year cleaning (LOL).

This month, we are going to learn about arctic animals, who they are; how they brave the cold weather; & how they find food under the snow and ice.

January 13th is Winnie the Pooh's birthday—that week we are going to the Hundred Acre Wood to meet Winnie the Pooh and all of his friends.

We are going to focus on the letters L and F & the numbers 5 and 12. We will also discuss our country of the month, Canada and learn all about our neighbors to the North. I am planning on some math crafts to increase our cognitive learning and letter tracing to help us with our emergent writing skills.

The last week of January we will be creating art projects with SNOW (hopefully we won't have too much of it!) We will discuss how snow is made, how it melts and what we can make with snow.

I would like to congratulate Callie for being our January Student of the Month. She has come so far since I had her last in the toddler room! She is doing great. Congratulations and keep up the good work! I'm so proud of you!



## Miss Sarah—Pre K I News

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! IT'S GREAT TO SEE EVERYONE BACK WITH THEIR SMILING FACES. I HOPE EVERYONE HAD A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY AND A REFRESHING BREAK. I KNOW I ENJOYED MY TIME OFF AND THE TIME I SPENT WITH MY FAMILY. SO, THE HOLIDAYS ARE OVER AND WE'RE GOING BACK TO OUR REGULAR SCHOOL SCHEDULE. WE HAVE A LOT OF LEARNING AND ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE NEW YEAR AHEAD. DURING JANUARY, WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT WINTER AND ARCTIC ANIMALS. DURING THIS LEARNING THEME, THE CHILDREN WILL EXPLORE THE CONCEPTS OF WHAT SNOW IS AND HOW DO ARCTIC ANIMALS LIKE POLAR BEARS, PENGUINS AND WALRUSES KEEP WARM IN THEIR COLD ENVIRONMENT? WE WILL ALSO LEARN WHAT HIBERNATION IS. WE WILL HAVE HANDS ON ACTIVITIES EXPLORING HOW ANIMALS HIBERNATE FOR THE WINTER.

OUR LETTERS FOR THE MONTH ARE FF AND LL. THE NUMBERS ARE 5 AND 12. THE COUNTRY OF THE MONTH IS CANADA. OUR THEMES FOR THE MONTH ARE AS FOLLOWS:

JAN 3—7: WINTER

JAN 10-14: CANADA

JAN 13: WINNIE THE POOH'S BIRTHDAY

JAN 14: PAJAMA DAY—WEAR YOUR FAVORITE PJ'S

JAN 17-28: HIBERNATION



OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE RORY. RORY IS EXTREMELY BRIGHT, LOVES TO ENTERTAIN AND LOVES TO GIVE HER TWO CENTS ABOUT VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING AND ANYTHING. SHE IS A FRIEND TO ALL AND I LOVE HAVING RORY IN MY CLASSROOM!

## Miss Elaine's Pre K News

HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME TO JANUARY 2022! AS WE BEGIN A NEW YEAR IN THE PRE K ROOM, LET US REFLECT BACK ON ALL THE FUN LEARNING ACTIVITIES THAT WE EXPERIENCED IN 2021. NOW THAT 2022 IS HERE, THE BEST IS YET TO COME AND THE FUTURE IS OUT THERE JUST WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED. WE HOPE THIS YEAR IS FULL OF MANY NEW LEARNING EXPERIENCES FOR YOUR CHILD!

THIS MONTH, WE WILL FOCUS ON THE THEME OF WINTER. WE WILL USE OUR SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY SKILLS TO FIND OUT HOW SNOWFLAKES ARE FORMED FROM WATER VAPOR TO AN ICE CRYSTAL, TO SNOW CRYSTALS, THEN TO SNOWFLAKES. WE WILL ALSO EXPERIMENT TO SEE IF BIG OR SMALL SNOWFLAKES MAKE THE BEST SNOWMEN! I HATE TO USE THIS WORD, BUT WE REALLY COULD USE SOME SNOW FOR THIS ACTIVITY!

WE WILL USE OUR MATH SKILLS TO FIND OUT WHAT SHAPES AND SIZES THAT SNOWFLAKES CAN BE, ALONG WITH HOW MANY SIDES THERE ARE IN EACH SNOWFLAKE.

WE WILL ALSO BE READING SOME WINTER THEMED BOOKS IN OUR READING CENTER, SUCH AS "SNOWMEN AT NIGHT" AND "SNEEZY THE SNOWMAN", AND OUR AUTHOR OF THE MONTH, JAN BRETT, WITH HER BOOKS, "THE MITTEN" AND "THE HAT".

WE WILL EXPLORE ART AND MOVEMENT IN THE CLASSROOM WITH OUR WINTER THEME AS WE WILL EXPLORE WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN WE MIX ICE CUBES WITH PAINT FOR AN INTERESTING ART PROJECT. WE WILL ALSO USE OUR MOVEMENT EXPERIENCE TO ICE SKATE IN THE CLASSROOM, ALONG WITH THE SNOWBALL TOSS GAME.

THE ARTIST OF THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS JACKSON POLLOCK, HIS PAINTING TECHNIQUE IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT (AND A LOT MESSY!). HE CREATED "ACTION PAINTING" WHICH INCLUDES THROWING AND SPATTERING PAINT FROM LARGE BRUSHES ONTO PAPER. LIKE I SAID, MESSY...BUT FUN!

I AM PROUD TO SAY THAT ALL OF THE CHILDREN IN MY PRE K CLASS CAN SPELL THEIR FIRST AND LAST NAMES CORRECTLY. WE WILL START WORKING ON ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS THIS MONTH. ALL OF THE CHILDREN HAVE WORKED VERY HARD ON THEIR HANDWRITING SKILLS WRITING THEIR NAMES, ALPHABET LETTERS AND NUMBERS. WE WILL CONTINUE WORKING ON THESE SKILLS ALONG WITH COUNTING, PATTERNING, RHYMING AND OPPOSITES SO AS TO BE PREPARED FOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE MYLAH! MYLAH ENJOYS THE DRAMATIC PLAY AREA AND BUILDING WITH MAGNETIC TILES. SHE ALSO HAS A CUTE SMILE WITH DIMPLES!





**\*\*January Points of Focus\*\***

Letters of the Month: F & L

Colors: White

Shape: Octagon

Country: Canada

Artist: Jackson Pollock

Numbers: 5 & 12

Author: Jan Brett

