Today's Life Schools + Childcare A Picee For Tozay's Children

DIRECTORS NOTE:

Hello Today's Life Families,

Hello Today's Life families, happy February. I am hoping that the groundhog will not see his shadow and we can look forward to spring right around the corner. We have some fun things going on this month! The week of 4th-8th we will be asking families to design a Valentine's Day box with their child/children. We are asking these are all handed into your child's teacher by Tuesday the 12th. On the 14th we will be having a classroom party for Valentine's Day from 3:00-4:00pm you are more than welcome to join us if you would like. You may bring in treats, cards, and trinkets if you would like. Please make sure all treats do not contain any nuts. (Thank you for your help with this). The following day on the 15th is our grandparent's day. Grandparents are more than welcome to visit us between 9:30-10:30am.

We are looking ahead to March, the 2nd is Dr. Seuss's Birthday. We are looking for parent volunteers to come read to the children that day. If you would like to come read to the children please send me an e-mail. I will be taking the first 5 to volunteer.

Thank you for sharing your families with us we are excited for a great February.

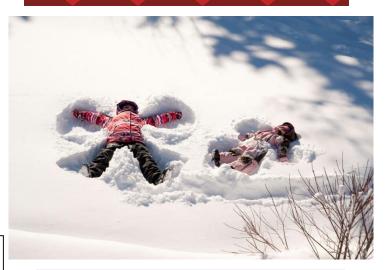
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What's going on Around School?

- We will be having a Valentine's Day party on February 14th from 3:00pm to 4:00pm
- Grandparents Day this month will be on Friday February 15th at 9:30am. All grandparents are invited to spend an hour in their grandchild(ren)'s classroom and follow along with the daily routine! It's a great time!
- Please bring a pair of inside shoes for your child(ren) to wear in the classrooms. We would like to avoid wearing outside shoes/boots inside of the classrooms to keep them as clean as possible.
- Please donate a box of Kleenex to your child's classroom! Lots of runny noses this time of year.

PARENTS, YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR VALENTINES DAY PARTY!

We will be having our Valentine's Day classroom party on Thursday February 14th from 3:00PM– 4:00PM. More information about this event is posted on the entrance doors. Hope to see you there!



DATES IN FEBRUARY February 2nd – Groundhog Day February 14th – Valentine's Day & Party February 15th – Grandparent's Day February 18th – President's Day Feb 25th–1st Spirit week

Monthly Themes

- 1) Dental Health
- 2) Valentine's
- 3) 5 Senses
- 4) Dr. Seuss



February Birthdays



Education Box: 3 Things to do with your 4 to 6 Month Old at Home:

- Smell the spice rack: Take him over to the spice rack and introduce him to the intoxicating scent of cinnamon. Rub some on your hand and put it up to your baby's nose. (Don't let it get in his eyes or mouth.) If he likes it, try others: Vanilla, peppermint, cumin, cloves, nutmeg, and many other herbs and spices have intriguing fragrances that your baby might love.
- 2) This Little Piggy Touch your baby's toes in turn, starting with the big toe. Say, "This little piggy went to market, this little piggy stayed home, this little piggy had roast beef, this little piggy had none. And *this* little piggy went wee-wee-wee all th way home."As you say that last part, run your fingers up your baby's belly. This game is useful for putting on socks and shoes or distracting your baby during diag changes. You can also play this game in the bathtub with a squirt bottle targeting your baby's toes.
- 3) Fly, Baby, Fly: Now that your baby can <u>hold his head up</u>, it's time to hoist him into the air. You can play that he's a rocket ship, flying him over you and making realistic rocket noises. You can play that your baby is in an elevator, which advan up floor by floor before sinking quickly to the bottom (my husband likes to bump noses with our baby and say "Ding!" at this point). Or pretend that your baby's doi a helicopter traffic report.
- Source: https://www.babycenter.com/0_20-fun-silly-development-boosting-gamesplay-with-your-ba_1479310.bc?showAll=true



Joke Corner

Question: Why did the boy keep his trumpet out in the snow? Answer: Because he liked cool music.

Question: What do you have in December that you can't have in any other month? Answer: The letter D

Question: What do Snowmen call their offspring? Answer: Chill-dren.

Facts about the Month of February

- It is the shortest month of the year.
- The Welsh call February "y mis bach" which means "little month".
- It is the third month of winter.

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- In the Southern Hemisphere February is a summer month the equivalent of August.
- The month is named for the Latin word februum which means purification.
- Together with January, it was the last of the months added to the Roman calendar.
- The largest American sporting event of the year, the Super Bowl, is held in February.
- The Saxon term for the month, Sol-monath, means "cake month". This is because they offered cakes to the gods during this month.

Source: http://www.ducksters.com/history/februarvinhistory.php

COCOA SNOWBALLS (No-bake; makes 5 dozen pieces)

Ingredients: 3 1/2 cups confectioners' sugar, 3/4 cup cocoa, 1 1/3 cups (14-ounce can) sweetened condensed milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 cups chopped walnuts, additional confectioners' sugar

Combine sugar and cocoa in mixing bowl and stir with spoon. Add condensed milk and vanilla; blend until smooth. Stir in walnuts. Cover bowl tightly and chill in refrigerator for 30 minutes. After the 30 minutes, shape mixture into 1" balls. Next, roll them in confectioners' sugar.

Place balls in an airtight container and chill in refrigerator for at least 2 hours before serving.

