



ECP School Family Weekly Newsletter

Ms. Dorothy's AM and PM Classes

Week of December 9-13, 2019

What's coming up this week:

Theme and Topics: Letter S, Stickers, Book: Hide and Snake by Keith Baker, Special Science Item, Sesame Street, Holidays

Red Folders: Will go home today with your child's report of progress towards his/her IEP goals.

Note: If we held an IEP for your child in November, then you will not receive a progress note today, because a progress note was attached to the recent November IEP. Please ask Ms. Dorothy if you have any questions.

High School Helpers: This month, we have a High School Helper for both our Morning and Afternoon Classes. We welcome Claire Cameron in the AM and Delaney Jackson in the PM!

Needed: 3 and 5 oz cups are still needed. A Great Big Thank you to everyone who recently donated items to our classroom. Thank you for your generosity!

Our plans and scheduled activities for the week: Please know that unexpected/unanticipated changes could shift what we have scheduled.

Monday 12/9: Sensory Motor Room. Mondays are Ms. Maribeth Saylor's day to work on letter formation and fine motor skills with both the AM and PM classes. Letter S formation: "Make a little curve and then turn and go the other way." **Please see Ms. Maribeth's information on "Developmental Progression of Activities of Daily Living. Introduce Letter S weekly words.

Tuesday 12/10: Sensory Motor Room. Monthly Library with Ms. Kathleen Gallagher, Weekly Music Class with Ms. Christine. Continue with weekly themed activities about Stickers.

Wednesday 12/11 Yoga Classes with Ms. TJ. Continue with weekly themed Activities. Read Hide and Snake by Keith Baker.

Thursday 12/12: GYM, ART Day with Ms. Vicki: Special Menorah. Please be advised as the best bet is to wear old clothes since art projects can involve paints and glue. Continue with weekly themed activities.

Friday 12/13: Blanche Kaminski in for Ms. Dorothy in the AM (Ms. Dorothy is out for an IEP). Use Upstairs Cozy Corner, Continue with Weekly Themed Activities.

Upcoming Dates

Week of December 16-20: Holiday Spirit Week (See Sheet)



- Monday: Wear White, Tuesday: Wear Best Holiday Bling, Wednesday: Fav Holiday Shirt, Thursday: Wear Pajamas, Friday: Festive Flannel

Monday December 16: Diann Ohmann in for Ms. Dorothy in the PM as Ms. Dorothy is out for an IEP. We are planning a Gingerbread Baking Activity (per Allergy restrictions) during the week of December 16. Please notify Ms. Dorothy if you have any concerns. Please note that the cookie will not be consumed at school.

Friday December 20: Barnes Annual Holiday Gathering in the AM. All students with an accompanying parent and/or caregiver are invited to join us for this fun filled annual event. This event is our day of school. The RSVP form for this event is coming soon. There are no classes in the PM on this day. Winter Break begins after the Holiday gathering is over.

Thursday January 2, 2020: School Resumes.

Highlights from the last couple of weeks: Thanksgiving Week: The children enjoyed chasing the Turkey in the Barnes Annual Turkey Trot! Last week, we enjoyed many activities with the letter G. We read Little Gorilla by Ruth Bornstein and we watched the animated version on the book, Goodnight Gorilla by Peggy Rathman. We did a special gluing project with ribbon. We glued Ribbon on a construction paper Holiday Tree. Check out our tree and all the trees from other classes in the main hallway across from the office. The special Art project at Ms. Vicki's Art Table was the "Pine Tree Prints." We painted with a pine tree branch making prints all over our paper. We added red berries using our pointer finger. Our special prints are currently displayed inside our classroom.

Did you know? Daily Coloring Sheets are generally coordinated with the letter/sound of the week. Just talking about the picture your child brings home daily naturally reinforces our weekly sound! Easy!

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December 2019/January 2020 Star Schedule. The December/January Star Calendar was distributed last week. Please notify Ms. Dorothy if there is an error on this schedule. If you know in advance that your child will be absent on his/her Star Day, you can ask another parent to switch with you or please notify Ms. Dorothy. Please keep your child's show and tell item in his/her backpack. Your child brings his/her backpack into the classroom on his/her Star day. Please ask for the backpack at the end of class. The Star is invited to do special classroom jobs throughout the school day.

Monday 12/9: Andrew *BD/Will J.

Tuesday 12/10: Sawyer/Greyson

Wednesday 12/11: Isaac/Kassidy

Thursday 12/12: Benjamin/Walter

Friday 12/13: Luca/Margo

Monday 12/16: TeeShawna/Emily

Tuesday 12/17: Felix/William G.

Wednesday 12/18: Andrew/Tripp

Thursday 12/19: Lilian/Campbell

Friday 12/20: NO REGULAR CLASSES/HOLIDAY GATHERING IN THE AM. Students invited to attend with a parent or caregiver

Thursday Jan. 2: Sawyer/Will J.

Friday Jan. 3: Isaac/Greyson

Wednesday 12/4: Felix and William G.

Thursday 12/5: Andrew and Tripp

Friday 12/6: Lilian and Campbell