



The Early Childhood Prep. School

January Newsletter

A WORD FROM ELIZABETH

Happy 2019! Can you believe it is the year of 19? The Christmas Season was special with our celebrations for Christmas and the birthday party for Jesus. We appreciated all who donated treats for the parties. Santa Claus was great and had a fun time with the children.

We have a lot of January activities involving academics, social skills, and fun. Read through this newsletter and feel free to inquire in the office for more information.

Please keep these newsletters in a handy place as a reminder of all the fun activities, daily curriculum, and other necessary January items.

The following activities are simply a few of the fun, educational projects we did last month for in nine content areas:

December Content Areas

Dramatic Play: Role play Santa's Workshop, Role play the Manger scene and Gingerbread Man

Group: Christmas Party, Christmas Finger Plays, and Manger Studies

Large Muscle: Christmas dancing, Polar Express Day Fun and Christmas games

Language: Letter recognition, Winter and Christmas Weekly Readers, Christmas stories and Letter Sounds

Art: Happy Birthday Jesus Art, Angel Art projects and Christmas Art activities

Mathematics: Number review, Christmas Math manipulatives, and New Years Math

Musical: Christmas songs, Christmas finger plays and Christmas music with Mr. Saxophone

Science: Cookie Baking Fun, Christmas Categorizing, Fire is a Tool, Green Day Discussions, and Reindeer food

Spiritual: Discussions of the First Christmas, Stories of the Holy Infant, and Christmas Prayers

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Special Events

this month:

- ☉ New Year's Off- Jan 1st
- ☉ National Missouri Day- Jan 4
- ☉ Germs Are Not For Sharing - 9th
- ☉ Police Officer Day- Jan 11
- ☉ National Hat Day- Jan 15
- ☉ Winter Blues Pizza Party - Jan 18th
- ☉ Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Jan 21st
- ☉ PARENT NIGHT OUT- Jan 25th
- ☉ Blue day- Jan 31st

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January Calendar of Events

- New Year's Day** **Tuesday, January 1st:** ECPS will be closed in observance of New Year's Day. We will re-open on Wednesday, January 2nd, with normal business hours.
- Handwashing Class** **Wednesday, January 9th:** All Caterpillar and Butterfly students are invited to come and learn all about germs, germ prevention, and how we can help stop germs from spreading. This class is free.
- Police Officer Day** **Friday, January 11th:** We have a special parent guest coming to demonstrate and educate the children on the duties of a police officer.
- National Hat Day** **Tuesday, January 15th:** In honor of National Hat Day, children are asked to wear their favorite hat to school.
- Winter Blues Pizza Party** **Friday, January 18th:** Let's kick those winter blues with a Winter Blues Pizza Party. Unlike years past, this event is free. It is our "thank you" to everyone's awesome donations in December.
- Martin Luther King Day** **Monday, January 21st:** We will be open regular hours. We will be doing many fun activities explaining who MLK is and discuss his influence of peace, harmony, racial equality, and love.

Parent children them-  Night Out had SO selves,  Friday, January 25th: Our last PNO was a success! The parents finally have so we are  MLK Day  a night doing it to



ECPS has a USAGAIN bin in the parking lot. Anyone is able to put donations of clothes, footwear, handbags, gloves, hats, belts, backpacks, sheets, blankets, curtains, linens, etc. into the bin. The items will be picked up weekly and ECPS will get a check from USAGAIN monthly. This check will be used for items needed at the preschool. If you have any

Sports, Dance, Gymnastics and Computer Classes

Gymnastics The Gymnastics on Wheels program is Thursday mornings. We have three classes scheduled. Ask your child's teacher what time your child's class is scheduled. Children 18 months and older may participate. This program goes year round and can offer gift certificates.



All Star Sports This fun Sports program comes on Fridays. This class has a different sport each week. The kids enrolled love this class. You pay only for the classes your child attends. The classes can be paid weekly or monthly.





Donation Thank You!!!!



All of the special Christmas and holiday presents, goodies, and other treats given to the staff were sooo very much appreciated. We are also appreciative for the treats for the Christmas Party and Happy Birthday Jesus morning of fun. Let this be one HUGE thank you from all our staff at ECPS. Thank you for making us feel so loved. For the rest of the items, if we omitted you, we apologize. Thank you for your support in 2018. We look forward to the year 2019. May it bring more learning, fun, and memories!

- The Wilson family donated baby room supplies.
- The Williams family donated paper products.
- The Lillard family donated paper products and Christmas gifts.
- The Kamoshita family donated to the food pantry and paper items.
- The Eiceman family donated daily devotionals.
- The White family donated an extra book and crafts.
- The Kinney family donated sidewalk chalk and paint.
- The Steele family donated pie for the teachers.
- The Wideman family donated sippy cups and clothing.
- The Hawkins family donated cupcakes and paper products.
- The Hart family donated paper towels.
- The Saunders family donated cupcakes and donuts.
- The Hardee family donated birthday cupcakes.
- The Mauer family donated clothes and pop tarts.
- The Seggerman family donated BBQ to the teachers.
- The Biggs donated donuts for the staff.
- The Flynns donated dress up clothes.

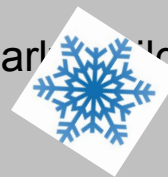
ECPS 2018 Giving Trees

Once again our ECPS families do not disappoint when it comes to stepping up for a worthy cause. Our school donated many items to Shelter Friends Program and to our teacher wish list. It is so wonderful to be a part of a school that strives to teach their students about generosity, kindness, and giving. Way to go ECPS families and staff! THANK YOU!

ECPS Snow Closings

During the icy and snowy weather we always try to open, but if we do close or open late, you can find out by checking:

1. Channels 2,4,or 5. We will be listed under Early Childhood Prep. OR Early Child Prep - Harvester.
2. Check the voice mail at 636-928-3828
3. Facebook



Final Thoughts.....

“Once the children were in the house the air became more vivid and more heated: every object in the house grew more alive.”

Thank You!

From *Elizabeth and David Sparks*

And the faculty and staff of The Early Childhood Prep. School



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Lady Bug Preschool Curriculum

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<p><u>ECPS</u></p> <p><u>Closed</u></p> <p><u>In</u></p> <p><u>Observance</u></p> <p><u>Of</u></p> <p><u>New Year's Day!</u></p>	1 Winter Penguin Learning Day Fun	2 Snowman Puzzle, Winter Which One Is Different?, And Winter Which One Comes Next?	3 Snow Man Arrange In Size, National Spaghetti Day And National Missouri Day Projects
7 Winter Weather Week I, Letter K Week, Diamond Week, And Character Education Trustworthy Week	8 K Vocabulary Words, Diamond Tracing, Winter Matching, And Learning To Tell The Truth	9 Letter K is for King David, Diamond Coloring, And Clothes in Winter	10 Letter K is for Kangaroo, Cold Weather Coloring, Learning Not To Take Others' Toys, And Diamond Recognition	11 Letter K Coloring, Winter Patterning Project, Objects That Are Diamonds, And Police Officer Day
14 Winter Weather Week 2, Letter L Week, Number 7 Week, Learn Days of Week Character Education-Fairness Week	15 L for Lemon, Number 7 Recognition, Today Is Tuesday, And Math Winter Mat	16 Religious Freedom Day, L Tracing, Number 7 Activity, Today Is Wednesday, And Winter Activity	17 Today Is Thursday, Number 7 Coloring, LI is for Lamb: Learn To Share, And Snowman Gluing Project	18 L for Light, Learn To Follow Rules, Number 7 Counting, Today Is Friday *****Winter Blues Pizza Party**
21 Bear Week 1, Letter M Week, Oval Week, Martin Luther King Jr, And Character Ed-Responsible Week	22 Bear Puzzle, Bear Coloring, Letter M for Mouse, And Oval Coloring	23 Bear Order By Size, Letter M Project, Oval Art Work, And Mitten Color Matching	24 Letter M Recognition, Learn Panda Bears, Panda Bear Coloring, Oval Tracing, AND National Compliment Day	25 M for Manger, Grizzly Bear Studies, Oval Recognition, And Letter M Words
28 Bear Week 2 Letter N Week, Number 8 Week, National Hug Day, Character Education-Respect Week	29 National Puzzle Day, Bear Seek and Find, Number 8 Recognition, And Letter N Handwriting	30 Letter N is for Nest, Number 8 Projects, Bear Activities, And Learn Good Manners	31 BLUE DAY! Wear the Color Blue And Come for a Full Day of Fun With the Color Blue!	



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Caterpillar Preschool Curriculum

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	ECPS Is CLOSED In Observance Of New Years Day!	1 Imagination Week, Working with Ideas And Dreams, And Use Our Imagination For Stories	2 Projects With Action Heroes, Action Song, And Which Item Does Not Belong?	3 National Missouri Day Fairies And Wands, What Is Magic, Learn About How Spaghetti Is Made, And Shape Matching Review
7 Letter K Week, Diamond Week, Learn About The Days Of The Week, Character Education- Trustworthy Week	8 Today Is Tuesday, Diamond Recognition, Big and Little K Handwriting, And Why We Should Tell The Truth	9 Letter K for King David, Trace the Snowman, Today Is Wednesday, Diamond Coloring, And Hand Washing Class	10 Diamond Identifying Today Is Thursday, Letter K Tracing, And Tommy & the Bad Day Story with Projects	11 Police Officer Day, Letter K Words, Diamond Tracing, Today Is Friday, And What To Do If We Are Having A Bad Day.
14 Winter Weather Week 1 Letter L Week, Number 7 Week, And Character Education- Fairness Week	15 Learn Winter Words, Number 7 Math, Letter L Handwriting, National Hat Day, AND Fran & Freddy Clean Up Story With Projects	16 National Religious Freedom Day, Letter L for Lamb, Number 7 Tracing, And Seasonal Changes.	17 Snowman Listening Cutting Snowflakes, Letter L Tracing, Number 7 Projects, And Learning To Obey Rules	18 Letter L Coloring, Number 7 Train, Winter Picture Talk, A Very Cold Story *****Winter Blues Pizza Party*****
21 Winter Weather Week 2 Letter M Week, Ovals Week, Martin Luther King Jr., And Character Ed- Education Week	22 Character Education on Responsibility, Oval Coloring, Letter M Handwriting, And Melting Ice Science Activity	23 Winter Clothing Activity, M Is For Manger, Pattern Activity And Oval Identification	24 National Compliment Day, What Comes Next, Oval Tracing, Letter M Words, And Roy & the Carrot Seeds Book	25 Staying Warm & Cozy, Objects That Are Ovals, Letter M Tracing, And Learning To Take Care Of My Belongings
28 Winter Animal Week, Letter N Week, Number 8 Week, Learn About Hugs, Character Education- Respect Week	29 National Puzzle Day Letter N Handwriting, Dot to Dot Seal, And Rusty & Rita Play Nice Together	30 N for Noah, Number 8 Recognition, Learn About Arctic Animals, And Learn To Share.	31 BLUE DAY! Wear the Color BLUE And Come for a Full Day Involving The Color BLUE!	



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Butterfly Preschool Curriculum

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 ECPS Is CLOSED In Observance of New Year's Day	2 Hibernation VS. Adaptation, Number Review, Color Matching, And Animal Matching	3 Narrate a Story, Learning About Winter Animals, And Old v. New Activity Worksheet	4 Alphabet Review, Winter Math, Winter Matching, Winter Sorting, And National Missouri Day
7 Letter I Week, Number 7 Week, Learning Positive Character Traits Week, And Days of The Week	8 I Is For Inchworm, Learning To Measure, Number 7 Math, Today Is Tuesday, And Learning To Be Kind	9 Letter I Handwriting, Number 7 Identifying, Winter Matching, Practicing Kindness, Today Is Wednesday, Hand Washing Class	10 Find Letter I, Write Your Own 7, Today Is Thursday, And Learning About Determination	11 Today Is Friday Letter I Tracing, Number 7 Practice, Setting Goals, And Winter Which One Is Different?
14 Letter H Week, Oval Week, Winter Project Week, And Learning Positive Character Traits Week,	15 Learning To Forgive Others, Oval Identification, Letter H Is For Hat, And Winter Hat & Cutting Practice	16 National Religious Freedom Day, Find Letter H, Cutting Practice, And Make Your Own Oval	17 Trace the Letter H, Who Can I Forgive, Oval Tracing & Identification, And Winter What Comes Next Project?	18 Upper and Lowercase Letter H Handwriting, Oval Coloring, And Winter Math *****Winter Blues Pizza Party****
21 Letter E Week, Number 8 Week, Learning Positive Character Traits Week, Martin Luther King Jr Day, And National Hug Day	22 Learn What It Means To Be Courageous, Find Letter E, Number 8 Practice, And Winter Math	23 Letter E Words, Number 8 Math, Be Courageous, And Winter What Comes Next?	24 National Compliment Day, Number 8 Tracing, Write Letter E, And Winter Puzzle	25 Letter E Handwriting, Learn To Be Encouraging, Number 8 Gluing, And Winter Which One is Different?
28 Letter L Week, Diamond Week, And Learning Positive Character Traits Week,	29 National Puzzle Day Upper and Lowercase Letter L, Diamond Tracing, And Learning To Be Generous	30 Letter L Coloring, Diamond Identification, Learning To Be Positive, And Winter Cutting	31 BLUE DAY!! Wear the Color BLUE For a FULL Day Of BLUE Fun!!	