

KKCC NEWSLETTER



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2022

Upcoming Events

- December 5th -9th - Occupations Week
- December 12th – 16th – Christmas Program and Party
- December 21st – Early Dismissal
Center Closed @ 3:30
- December 23rd – 26th – Christmas Break
Center Closed
- December 30th – January 2nd – New Year’s Break



Next Tuition Due Dates

December 12	December 26
January 9	January 23



School Closings

Whenever KKCC is closed because of inclement weather or other emergency circumstances, all parents and staff will be notified by message using the Procure application.



<i>Arielle</i>	<i>Chipmunks</i>	<i>December 1</i>
<i>Demi</i>	<i>Caterpillars</i>	<i>December 16</i>
<i>Jade</i>	<i>Beavers</i>	<i>December 17</i>
<i>Matthew T</i>	<i>Chipmunks</i>	<i>December 17</i>
<i>Cole</i>	<i>Caterpillars</i>	<i>December 19</i>
<i>Makai</i>	<i>Caterpillars</i>	<i>December 27</i>
<i>Faculty and Staff</i>		
<i>Ms. Flavia – December 28</i>		
<i>Ms. Lien – December 29</i>		



DIRECTOR’S CORNER

We have finally reached the end of the year! God is so good! This year has been full of blessings, new experiences, lots of laughs and love, new faces, and tons of learning. There is so much to look forward to this month! Parents of various professions will come in to share what they do at work during “Occupations Week.” There will also be a school-wide Christmas program titled “Joy to the World.” Parents can look forward to enjoying the program as well as celebrating a holiday party with their child’s class! We look forward to spreading holiday cheer with you, remember, JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!

Kiddies Kollege will continue to require all students and staff to wear masks while in the center. We have found that wearing masks has been a great way to reduce the transmission of germs. We will notify parents and staff of any occurrences and updates to the guidelines. It is critical that we all continue to follow the policy on sick children. Sick children will not be allowed in the center while symptoms persist. Thank you!

The mission of Kiddies Kollege Christian Center is to provide a warm, stimulating, safe, affordable, high quality pre-school program that develops the social, emotional, and academic needs of children of the greater Laurel community.





THE BEAVERS

Ms. Ndamo

December is here and we are near the end of the year 2022. November was quite a busy month in academic and social activities. We are so grateful to God for bringing us this far.

Last month, during culture week, we visited Spain by looking at some of the cultural aspects of Spanish culture like food, language, sports, and dance. Next, we studied the importance of healthy eating for healthy bodies and growth. Lastly, the Beavers learned about the historical background of Thanksgiving and why we are thankful to God. Our themes for this month will overview the Caribbean, Occupations, Exercise and Fitness, and lastly, Christmas.

Our Beavers have worked hard on blends and adding final consonants to form words. This is gradually moving them on to reading simple, short sentences. As we worked on numbers, we have introduced time to the hour, adding on one, counting by 10s, adding pennies, and number families. Meanwhile, we continue to work on letter and number recognition.

The Beavers had a great Thanksgiving feast last month. This success was due to parent contributions, and we are truly thankful for you all!

It's the most beautiful and exciting time of the year. The Christmas season resonates in the atmosphere of joy, peace, and love! The Beavers will join in singing carols during our class party on December 16, 2022. More information about this occasion will be sent out soon.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, may each family be showered with God's love and blessings. Amen.

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called Wonderful,
Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting
Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6 KJV*



THE CATERPILLARS

Ms. Chase & Ms. Victoria B.

May your holidays be filled with Love & Laughter” These few months have flown by! By the glory of God, let's finish the last month of the year strong. Thank you to all the Caterpillar parents for all you do, we couldn't have done it without your help. You're truly appreciated. Welcome to the month of December! The month of spreading cheer, and spending time with your families. During this month it gets busy, we will do our best to keep parents updated on all class events.

Walking into the first week of December our theme will be the “Caribbean.” We will teach the children about the culture and different languages they speak there. Sliding into the second week, the theme will be “Occupations.” Children will learn about the different jobs people have in the world, and what they would like to be when they grow up. The third week will be “Exercise & Fitness.” The children will gain knowledge on what it is to exercise and what helps us stay healthy. As we end the year off, we dance into our last theme for the week “Christmas.” We will talk about what Christmas means. December is known for spreading cheer amongst one another and giving back.

Please end the year safe and with your loved ones. Ms. Chase and I truly appreciate everything that you all do. We are so thankful to have your little ones in our class. Let's finish this year off great! Until next time GOD BLESS!

Caterpillars Class Reminders!

-We will be having a Christmas party December. We will send out more information in our group chat for any supplies, food to bring, and dress down information.

-If your child is sick, PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME (we do not want to spread germs during this cold and flu season) Thank you for your cooperation!

-Please pack an extra mask for your children !

A special shout out for the ones having birthdays this month! Demi, Cole, and Makai 😊



THE CHEETAHS

Ms. Martha & Ms. Triumph

Welcome to the month of December parents and Cheetahs! I can't believe we're in the last month of 2022! I'm praying the new year brings all of us many blessings. I can't wait to see what 2023 has in store for us. Thank you, parents, for attending parent teacher conferences. We had a blast meeting each parent and talking to everyone. Also, thank you parents for contributing towards our thanksgiving party, the Cheetahs were beyond thankful and thrilled. This year we've learned a lot about each of our Cheetahs. Everyone's unique personality brings a cool vibe to the classroom.

Over the months we've seen so much improvement from each Cheetah. The Cheetahs have gained confidence, social skills, and knowledge over the past few months. This month, the Cheetahs are super-duper excited about our Christmas party and program, but most of all, they're really excited for Christmas itself. Throughout the month, the Cheetahs will learn the importance of Christmas and Jesus Christ.

This month, the Cheetahs will focus on letters Rr, Ff, Jj, Kk, Vv, Ww, Yy, and Pp and their sounds. They will also learn how to sound 2 letter blends and one vowel words. They will learn to blend 2 letters such as "ra" or "ve". They will learn to sound one vowel words such as "cat" and "dog". They will also learn how to count and recognize numbers 1-50. They will also continue to work on syllables, primary/secondary colors, dictations quizzes, Bible verse A through H and the meaning behind each verse. Lastly, the Cheetahs will continue to work on learning how to write their letters of the month and numbers 1-10.

Cheetahs Class Reminders

1. Class starts at 9. Please have your child in class on time
2. Sick children must stay home until they're symptom free
3. Children's lunches must always be in a microwavable container
4. Homework will resume on Monday November 28th



THE CHIPMUNKS

Ms. Roberts & Ms. Flavia

Hello parents and guardians and welcome to the month of December. There will be lots of fun activities this month and we will celebrate Christmas at the end of the month!

November went by so fast. It was full of learning and fun. There were lots of hands-on crafts done by the children made with beautiful colors. We were blessed to have a large feast and we couldn't have done it without you. All your generous donations and delicious food made our classroom party a huge success! Each of the children went around the room to share what they were thankful for, and they all mentioned their family and friends!

We look forward to learning about the Caribbean, Occupations, Exercise and Fitness, and Christmas. We hope to see you at our Christmas program on December 12th at 3:30! Remember, it's only 2 guests per child! A special happy birthday to our Chipmunks that are turning 5 this month, Arielle, and Matthew! May God continue to bless each of you with many more years!



THE DOLPHINS

Ms. Jenae & Ms. Keshia

Dear Parents, The Christmas season is well upon us, and with it comes family get-togethers and parties. We will learn some wonderful new songs and poems for this special time of year, including "Jesus Sees Me" and "Jingle Bells." We will also learn the concepts of numbers 1-4 and count to 10. Our memory verse for December is 1 John 4:8, which talks about God's love.

Currently the children are learning about Christmas and the story of Jesus' birth. We have put up a class tree and have begun decorating it together. The children have been enjoying learning new songs and even a dance for our Christmas program. We hope to see everyone there! During this busy time of year, let's remember the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. I would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



THE BUSY BEEZ

Ms. B & Ms. Kimani

Dear parents.

The months have really flown by, and the Christmas season is upon us already. The year 2022 is almost over and 2023 is almost here! I think, and I am sure you will agree with me when I say we owe God a big hearty thank you for keeping all of us and the children safe.

Speaking of giving thanks, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who were able to make it to the Parent Teacher Conference. Together we achieve more!

The Busy Beez are making great strides in their academics and other developmental domains. We are very proud of the progress they have made so far. The month of November was a fun filled month filled with learning new things. The Busy Beez particularly enjoyed learning about the “First Thanksgiving.”

The theme for the first week of the month of December is “Occupations.” The children will gain an understanding of specific jobs and occupations in the community. We will discuss a few in class. At home, please discuss your occupation with your child. They can also learn about age-appropriate chores they can do at home for example putting their toys away when they are done playing with them.

The theme for the second week is “Exercise & Fitness.” Being fit and active is a vital part of a healthy lifestyle. The earlier we teach our kids about the positive aspects of regular exercise, the more it will become a part of their everyday lives. These days, there is so much technology, be it video games, TV, or smartphones, that moving our bodies often comes in second to sitting on the couch. Let’s get our kids (and ourselves) moving! Here are some ways to teach kids about fitness and some fun ways to get our bodies in shape. Exercises like jogging, rowing, jumping rope, swimming, and even dancing are aerobic exercises. The children will be taught that exercises help increase the heart rate and stamina. Teaching kids to get out and get their heart rate up is vital to their health as they develop. Too much sitting around can cause weight gain and health issues.

“Christmas” is the theme for the third week. The children will learn that Jesus is the real reason for the season. The Bible says, “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever

believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life (KJV).

The theme for the last week is “Winter.” The children will learn that winter is one of the four seasons in some parts of the world. They will also learn that winter is the coldest season, that snow falls in the winter and that trees and plants stop growing in the winter. We will also discuss how some animals hibernate in the winter.

We will also be working on the numbers 6 and 7 and the letters Hh, Ii and Jj. Our Bible stories include “Queen Esther”, “Jesus is Born”, “Shepherds See the Savior” and “The Wise Men Worship Jesus”.

Finally, we would like to wish you and your family Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

A TIP FOR PARENTS: Promoting Independence

While 3- and 4-year-olds still need plenty of parental help, our preschool experts agree that kids are typically able to do more than many of us think. Here’s how you can encourage them: Expect more. Most people have a way of living up (or down) to expectations – preschoolers included. “At school we expect the kids to pour their own water at snack, to throw away their plates, to hang up their jackets – and they do,” says Jennifer Zebooker, a teacher at the 92nd Street Y Nursery School, in New York City. “But then they’ll walk out of the classroom and the thumb goes in the mouth, and they climb into strollers.” Raise the bar and your child will probably stretch to meet it.

By Marguerite Lamb “Getting the Best from Your Child.”





THE LITTLE LAMBS

Ms. Lydia, Ms. Patel & Ms. Lien

Hello parents and welcome to the month of December. We are very happy that the Little Lambs are continuing to learn and grow. They are making great achievements in the classroom.

This month the children will be learning about the Caribbean! We will learn about the culture, ways to travel there, music, and different kinds of food. Next, we will learn about different "Occupations" and discuss what children can be when they grow up. Then we will learn how to be healthy and take care of our bodies with the theme "Exercise and Fitness." Lastly, we will teach children about the holiday season and Jesus' birth during Christmas.

Parents, please remember to pack an ice pack in your child's lunch box to keep it fresh throughout the day. Please send in extra masks as well. Thank you so much for all your help and support!



Reminders

- **Keep sick children home from school.** If a child complains of not feeling well or shows *any* signs or symptoms of illness, the parents will be called to pick up the child from school.
- Pack at least one extra mask in your child's bag.
- Breakfast is served from 8-8:30 am daily.
- Classes begin at 9:00am each day.
- Do not pack shellfish, nuts, peanuts, or other nut products for lunch or snacks.
- We encourage you to pack fresh fruits and vegetables for your child's lunch.
- Do not send food items that may be choking hazards for young children (i.e., grapes, popcorn).
- Put an ice pack in the lunch box to keep food fresh.
- Use only microwavable containers. Meals must take no longer than two minutes to microwave.
- Keep two complete sets of weather-appropriate clothing (including underwear and socks) at school for your child.
- **Crocs and open-toed sandals are prohibited.**
- Shoes with Velcro are strongly encouraged, laces can cause a lot of accidents!
- Children should not wear expensive jewelry or bring valuable items to school
- Do not send toys, especially stuffed animals, to school.
- Remove and review classwork that has been placed in your child's folder each day.

** Class news and reminders were contributed by classroom teachers. For questions, comments, or corrections, contact Ms. Victoria