

KKCC NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Events

February 16th – Staff Testing
Center Closed @ 3:30pm
February 21st – Presidents’ Day
Center Closed

Next Tuition Due Dates

February 7	February 21
March 7	March 21
April 4	April 18



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.



<i>Elijah</i>	<i>Busy Beez</i>	<i>February 10</i>
<i>Shadpine</i>	<i>Chipmunks</i>	<i>February 11</i>
<i>David</i>	<i>Little Lambs</i>	<i>February 14</i>
<i>Taylor</i>	<i>Busy Beez</i>	<i>February 15</i>
<i>Alaia</i>	<i>Chipmunks</i>	<i>February 23</i>
Faculty and Staff		
<i>Ms. Yulisa -- February 20</i>		



DIRECTOR'S CORNER

God loves you!!! Isn't that great news?! Knowing that the creator of the universe loves you and I, and oh how He loves us!! Welcome to our new family members!!

We will continue to follow COVID guidelines from the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland State Department of Education regarding closing classrooms and quarantine periods. 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 are not allowed at Kiddies Kollege Christian Center.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Our joint efforts will enable us to meet the challenges that await us. Our reward will be seeing our students grow academically, socially, and emotionally. We look forward to the challenges and rewards that await us in the New Year.

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.



THE BEAVERS

Ms. Ndamo & Ms. Katherine

Here we are in the month of February! January was cold, and it will be this way for a while. We continue to pray that this new year be fruitful and healthy for us all. Thanks, parents, for all the love you shower on the kids.

January was a busy month and an awesome month. We learned the characteristics of winter and how to keep safe during the season. Then we studied elements of Night and Day. We also looked at Outer Space by studying the planets, stars, and other celestial bodies found in space. Lastly, we studied some words and their opposites.

During the month of February, we will first study Black History in honor of those who contributed to making this country a better place for Americans. Secondly, we will learn about the office of the President of the United States and learn the names of some of our presidents. Next, we will reinforce our love for God and all around us during our Love and Friendship theme. We will conclude February themes by learning the importance of and how to practice Good Dental Health.

As you will see, we are advancing steadily with our work, and students are gradually gaining strength in their reading and number activities. We encourage parents to review every classwork sheet that comes home as this will further strengthen understanding. Once again, thank you for all you do for us all. Stay safe and be blessed.

Roses are the most popular Valentine's Day flower, with over 250 million produced exclusively for the holiday each year.

1800 Flowers



THE CHEETAHS

Ms. Martha & Ms. Lydia

Welcome to the month of February everyone! We have made it through the first month of the New Year! There is no better time of the year to tell you how much we love and value your child. Helping your children grow and achieve makes every day more rewarding. The support from you is what keeps us motivated. It is what keeps your child thriving. We made it through January with a few challenges, but we are no worse for the wear!

Cheetahs are Strong!

Cheetahs are Resilient!

Cheetahs can Adapt!

Cheetahs Keep Going Beautifully!

Academically, the Cheetahs are truly showing great progress. Their writing skills and comprehension skills are improving along with their letters and numbers identification and recognition. More emphasis will be put on mathematical skills through concepts which will include addition, subtraction, patterns, and sequencing. In Reading and Phonics, the students will continue learning how to read and write Blends through dictation and by sight to gain the ability to read words and eventually sentences. They will start reading their "Little Reader's" books and completing writing assignments in the books. There is so much more ahead! The students are eager and ready to learn!

This month is a truly special month in many ways. We will celebrate Valentine's Day. Throughout the entire month, we will also celebrate "Black History Month" by recognizing the accomplishments of so many African Americans and People of Color who have contributed to Our Country and to the World. There will be activities and presentations of Black History Reports written and created by your child. The themes for this month are: Black History, Presidents, Love, and Dental Awareness.



THE CHIPMUNKS

Ms. Roberts

We want to thank you for letting us appreciate you last month! It has been a rough past month with quite a few of us out with COVID but we thank God for recovery for all the children!! God is faithful! This is Black History month, and as you know we will be doing Black History Month heroes! From Maya Angelou to grandpa! We will give you a list of some famous individuals to make your project easier! The children are busy working on their blends (consonants & vowels) and trying to form three letter words.

The Chipmunks really enjoying learning about stories in the Bible. We even act out different stories because funny illustrations help them learn! They also have been making great progress when it comes to Phonics and forming three letter words. Way to go!! Please continue to work with your child. Do the homework with them because it is not only what they do in school that will give them the edge! Thank you!



A TIP FOR PARENTING from Busy Bees

Let children solve simple problems. If you see your child trying to assemble a toy or get a book from a shelf that she can reach if she stands on her stepstool, pause before racing over to help. "Provided that they are safe, those moments when you don't rush in, when you give children a moment to solve things for themselves, those are the character-building moments," says *Zebooker*. "It's natural to want to make everything perfect, but if we do, we cheat kids of the chance to experience success."



THE CATERPILLARS

Ms. Chase & Ms. Flavia

"Love is in the air!" "All that you do, do it in love. It is love that makes the world go around!" Welcome February--- the month of love! Caterpillars will be celebrating this month of love by showing more love to each other, decorating their classroom with symbols of love, and having a Valentines Day party!! Parents will be updated and informed about our plans prior to date.

With regards to academics and other developmental aspects, students will be introduced to topics that will capture their attention. This will create opportunities for our students to be involved in discussions, share ideas and gain knowledge. Caterpillars will enjoy learning while having fun.

They will be doing hands-on activities such as coloring, art, and sensory play. Our goal is for our students to become well-rounded individuals. The following themes will help us accomplish this goal: Black History, Presidents, Love & Friendship, and Dental Health.



"Intelligence plus character- that is the goal of true education." Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



THE BUSY BEEZ

Ms. B & Ms. Williams

We thank God for another month! It is hard to believe that the second quarter just flew by! Our Busy Beez are growing right before our eyes. Although, we like the snow, we cannot wait for the winter to be over so we can go out to play again! The Busy Beez learned about winter and snow amongst other things last month. They particularly enjoyed painting with ice and mixing colors. We even brought some snow into our classroom, added some food color, and had fun!

Our themes for the month of February are **Black History, Presidents, Love and Friendship and Dental Health.**

For the first week of February, it is **Black History.** During this week, the children will be taught to recognize the achievements of African Americans. They will also be taught to celebrate the endeavors and accomplishments of Black people throughout history, from inventors to the first Black president. Most importantly, it is about the epic challenges and struggles Black Americans have had to overcome to reach those successes since slavery.

The theme for the second week is **Presidents.** Children will be taught how presidents are elected and briefly describe his/her job. We will discuss the fact that a presidential candidate must be a natural born citizen (U.S. citizen from birth), at least 35 years old and a U.S. resident (permanently lives in the U.S.) for at least 14 years. We will discuss how long presidents can serve and where they live while serving, which is the White House. Finally, we will discuss what our Busy Beez will do if they were the president of the United States of America. Look out for some of the answers they will give in our March Newsletter. Who knows, one of them might be the President of the United States of America one day!

For the third week, it is **Love and Friendship.** The children will first learn about the love of God and the importance of loving others as themselves. We will look at some godly attributes of love in I Corinthians 13:4-9, which states in the Message Translation: Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self. Love does not want what it does not have. Love does not strut, does not have a swelled head, doesn't force itself on others, isn't

always "me first," doesn't become extremely angry, doesn't keep score of the sins of others, doesn't revel when others grovel, takes pleasure in the flowering of truth, puts up with anything, trusts God always and always looks for the best. We can only really love by the grace of God. We will discuss the fact that people who are friends talk to each to and spend time together. They trust one another and help each other when they are in trouble or are hurt. Friends are people that can be looked up to and trusted. Usually, friends have similar interests. We will also talk about skills that the Busy Beez might still need to help them to develop good friendship. Friendship skills like sharing, taking turns, cooperating, listening, and sorting out disagreements.

Last is **Dental Health.** During this week, we will teach the Busy Beez why taking care of our mouth is so important. We will talk about oral skills that include the proper way of brushing and flossing, how many times we are to brush our teeth a day and how to prevent cavities and decay. We will also teach them the link between diet and oral health. For example, why it is good to eat nutritious foods instead of sugary snacks, and why we should drink plenty of water. We will talk and read about "A Visit to the Dentist," and we will sing songs like, "This is the way we brush our teeth."

Dear parents we are going to solicit your help for the week scheduled for our Black History theme. The children will be required to do a project for the Black History Week, and this is where the parents come in. Please be creative, but most importantly, have fun with it!

This month, we will be working on the numbers **9** and **10** and letters **Mm** and **Nn.** Our Bible stories include **Jesus heals the Paralyzed Man, Feeding the Five thousand, Jesus Stills the Storm, Jairus' daughter, Jesus Walks on Water and Blind Bartimaeus.**

It will be amiss if we do not spend some time to thank God for His hand of protection upon us as a school. Yes, we had a few cases of COVID 19, but through it all, the Lord has kept us. Heavenly Father, we are grateful! We declare that **Psalm 91:10: "No evil shall befall you, nor shall any plague come near your dwelling"** is our portion in the mighty name of Jesus, amen. We look forward to another awesome month by the grace of God, amen. God bless!



THE DOLPHINS

Ms. Patel & Ms. Jenae

Welcome to a brand new month! So far, we've been learning a lot and becoming more independent around the classroom. Our new class routines and behavior chart are really working! Yayy!! We want to note that the Dolphins are improving each day and we are so proud of their progress! The Dolphins take pride in moving their behavior popsicle sticks and work hard to stay in the green for good zone! They also enjoy receiving treasures from the treasure chest every Friday! Thank you all for being so understanding during this process.

We want to also welcome our new families to the mighty Dolphins class and making our home that much bigger! We love to make new friends. This month, we will be learning about the following topics through crafts and similar activities: Presidents, Black History, Love and Friendship, and Dental Health.

As February is Black History month, we will be learning about significant people during the Civil Rights movement and beyond. Be on the lookout for updates regarding our Valentines Day party on WhatsApp. We want to see lots of pink and red outfits!! We will be making candy grams for each other and spreading lots of love. Until next month, be blessed and stay safe!

Fun Fact: February is chocolate lovers' month! Eat your favorite chocolatey snacks this month, it is okay, we won't tell!



THE LITTLE LAMBS

Ms. Norris, & Ms. Julisa

February is a month full of love and history! Our theme for the first week of February is Black History Month. Students will learn how Black History is celebrated throughout the month. Shining light on the accomplishments of Black people by recognizing and celebrating their creations. Students will learn to embrace their skin while learning that regardless of their skin color, God loves everyone. The Little Lambs will learn about Garrett Morgan as they make a stop light craft, Martin Luther King Jr. while the class writes about their dreams, and even Mae Jemison as they complete a hands-on rocket experiment with Coke and Mentos! They will be able to recognize her role in inventing the space shuttle while learning about Katherine Johnson and many more!

The second week of February will focus on Dental Health. Students will be taught that brushing your teeth in the morning and at night are good dental health practices. The Little Lambs will learn that dental health is not just about brushing your teeth, but flossing, brushing your tongue, and using mouthwash. While completing a tooth brushing activity using popsicle sticks, cotton balls, smiley face plates, and puffy paint, the children will learn that Dental Health and gum health encourage good dental habits to limit future cavities.

It is time to share love and celebrate friendship. The theme is love and friendship. Students will show and celebrate their love for parents by making crafts called "love grams." The Little Lambs will also show love to their friends and Teachers. Making crafts throughout the week from cards to love bugs to cookies to take home. The Little Lambs will have Valentines Day Party! More information will be sent out through WhatsApp and an announcement in your child's backpack.

The theme for the last week of February is President's Day. During the week, students will learn about current President Joe Biden. They will also learn about the Presidents that made big historical changes and the ones that are on coins and dollar bills.

KKCC School 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.
- Children should not wear expensive jewelry or excessive hair beads 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 class reminders were contributed by classroom teachers. For questions, comments, or corrections, contact Ms. Victoria