

Nature's Scholars Enrichment Center

February 2018



Dates to Remember

February 2nd Groundhogs day/Summer Forms due

February 9th Valley View early release.

February 13th Deputy's eating lunch with the Explorers.

February 14th Valentine's Day party (9-11am)

February 15th No School Johnsborg. Early dismissal RGS

February 15th Scholastic Book Order Due.

February 16th No School Johnsborg

February 19th No School Presidents Day - Johnsborg, Harrison, Valley View, RGS early release.

Coming Up

- Please make sure that your child still has all of their outside gear daily. That includes the Tadpole room as well.
- Feb 26th- March 2nd Dr. Seuss Week (weekly theme sheet attached)
- Mother's Day Tea will be on May 11th from 9:00-11:00 am
- The Ranger's Pre-K Graduation will be on Thursday May 24th. Starting at 10:00am with a light luncheon to follow.
- June 15th Donuts with dad celebration. 9:00am-10:00am.

Some Baby Room Fun!



Our tadpoles had some fun playing with snow in the sensory table.



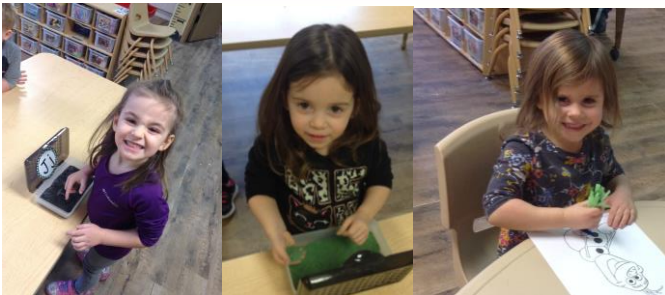
Summer is coming

Please make sure that you have completed the summer form that was sent out last month and return it to the front office by February 2nd. We realize some parents may have the summer off and work schedules may change. It is very important that we plan for any changes that may occur. If your child will be disenrolling, we need an ending date noted. All students that plan on returning for the school year in the fall must pay the registration fee to hold their spot and list the expected return date. If different days are needed then currently enrolled for, you may request them but any final changes must be approved by Ms. Mary. Thank you for your cooperation

Nature's Scholars Closings

Some Jobs require scheduled days off to be requested at the beginning of the year. Here are the days that we will be closed for 2018...

- Monday, May 28th "Memorial Day"
- Wednesday, July 4th "Independence Day"
- Friday, August 17th "Staff-in-Service"
- Monday, September 3rd "Labor Day"
- Thursday, November 22nd "Thanksgiving"
- Friday, November 23rd "Thanksgiving Holiday"
- Monday, December 24th, "Christmas Holiday"
- Tuesday, December 25th, "Christmas Holiday"
- Monday, December 31st, "New Year's Holiday"
- Tuesday, January 1st, "New Year's Holiday"



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Food Waste Buckets

We are implementing a food waste bucket for each classroom. We will be having the children scrape their plates in the bucket and weigh the waste every day. It will then be put in a large pail for Mr. Cody to take home and feed his pigs. This will hopefully show the children how to regulate the waste that is generated and to be more conservative.



Rate increase

As stated in the Parent Handbook our rates are due to increase in May. We are actually going to wait until June this year, which is the beginning of Summer Camp. With that being said we are attaching a copy of our increase sheet to give you all time to prepare. We take pride in the fact that we are giving our families loving quality care, with creative lessons, nutritious meals and fun activities. Our staff turnover has been minimal for this industry and we would like to think it's because they follow our passion for giving high quality care and treating the children like they are our own. In the past three years we have only increased our rates slightly, keeping it well below the standard cost of living increase. This year our CPA is advising us to increase them a bit more in order to pass along raises to staff, cover rising food and supply rates as well as building and grounds maintenance. Thank you for your continued support, trusting us with your children and all your great reviews and referrals. We are thankful every day for your children and the relationships we have with the NSFC families.



Valentine's Day Party

Our Valentine's Day Party will be held on Wednesday, February 14th from 9:00 am – 11:00 am. If your child would like to participate, the children will be exchanging valentines with their classmates. Please have your children sign them with their name only. Do not address them to specific children. We like to have special treats and volunteers for our party. Please see your child's classroom door for a sign-up sheet. The party is open to all students that attend NSEC. If your child does not normally attend on Wednesday, they may come for the party time only. Also, the classroom can get quite crowded with the extra attending children, so please respect the 2 chaperone rule per classroom.



Johnny loving the sensory table!

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