

Northville First Care December Newsletter

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A Note from the Director

The holidays are upon us. Christmas is definitely my favorite. The children are busy learning the songs for the Christmas program, about baby Jesus and all the traditions of Christmas. There is so much excitement happening! Hopefully you will join us for our Christmas Pageant on Friday, December 8th to hear the children sing. If you haven't already, please let your child's teacher know whether or not you will be coming to the festivities.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas and holiday season.

--Julie

Center Reminders:

Many families will be taking holiday breaks, extended vacations and trips to see families and friends this month. Please try to remember to let your child's teacher know if you will be gone. Often times we can then allow some staff to go and spend time with their families as well. Watch for sign-ups in your child's classroom to let teachers know when your child will attend.

School Closings:

When Northville Public Schools are closed by 6:00 am due to dangerous road conditions then Northville First Care is closed. School closings can be found online, on local news stations and on the radio. We also send out emails and Facebook messages as soon as possible so make sure that the office has an email address on file for your family. You can join the Northville First Care group by searching for us on Facebook (we are a closed, private group with crayons as our profile picture.) Send a request to join so that you can chat with other First Care parents and receive reminders about events and school closings.

Outdoor Play Policy

Our children play outside each day when the temperature and wind chill are above 0°F. With your help your child will stay warm and have lots of fun while playing outside. Remember to label hats, gloves, snow pants/suits, coats and boots. Gloves should also be water resistant; knitted gloves can get very wet and make little hands very cold. Also consider providing two pairs of gloves for your child to guarantee dry gear.

Dates to Remember

Friday, December 8: NFC Christmas Pageant, 6:00 pm

Monday, December 25, 2017-
Monday, January 1, 2018: Center Closed

December Birthdays

Mila A.	12/8
Ray P.	12/10
Claire F.	12/11
Nicholas C.	12/12
Logan T.	12/15
Yi Ping C.	12/17
Delaney B.	12/18
Taira L.	12/20
Kailey D.	12/26
Lauren S.	12/28
Aubree G.	12/30

Church Happenings

The Night of a Thousand Blessings, Wednesday, December 20th.

The Night of 1000 Blessings is an evening of community. All those who attend will share a meal together, sing carols together and work together! We will fill Blessing Bags for our homeless neighbors in Detroit and prepare treats for those who serve the community on Christmas Eve. Additionally, younger kids can make Christmas favors for kids at the Methodist Children's Home.

And last but not least, you and/or your family would like to end the evening by caroling at one of our home bound neighbor's house we would love to send you out with a plate of cookies and a song!

We hope you will join us for The Night 1000 Blessings and be a blessing yourself!

Contact Sue Craik, craik1@aol.com, [248.349.1144 ext 20](tel:248.349.1144) if you have any questions!

Family Christmas Eve Service, December 24th at 4:00 pm.

Every year FUMC offers families a wonderful way to worship together on Christmas Eve. Come hear kids read Christmas Scripture, enjoy a fun retelling of the Christmas story and sing lots of Christmas carols! Please join us for this special Christmas Eve service at 4:00 pm. Come early - it's a popular way to celebrate the season!

Northville First Care Staff

Give thanks this season to our wonderful teachers who work hard to provide a fun, enriching education topped with understanding, compassion and genuine love.

Infants

Ms. Melissa
Mr. Dave
Ms. Jennifer
Ms. Kathy
Ms. Ankita
Ms. Lauren

Toddlers

Ms. Vicki
Ms. Afrina
Ms. Eun hi
Ms. Mary
Ms. Nicole
Ms. Rose

Preschool

Ms. Stephanie
Ms. Solange
Ms. Suzanne
Ms. Maria
Ms. Beth

Young Toddlers

Ms. Virginia
Ms. Stephanie
Ms. Taira
Ms. Maggie
Ms. Yi Ping

Early Preschool

Ms. Renee
Ms. Kris
Ms. Meena
Ms. Becky

Kindergarten Readiness

Ms. Krystn
Ms. Catrina
Ms. Weifen
Ms. Marija
Ms. Sidney

Administration

Ms. Julie
Ms. Ruth

NFC Christmas Pageant

On Friday, December 8th we will present our Christmas Pageant. Parents, families and friends will be treated to the story of Christmas, the singing of Christmas carols, and a bell choir performance, all done by children dressed in costumes and their holiday best. All the children of the center are invited to attend. The performance starts at 6:00 pm in the church sanctuary. Children will later be dismissed youngest to oldest and if you have multiple children in the performance please wait until their class is called to collect them. This will make things less chaotic and small children will be less likely to wander off. After the program you are invited to attend a catered dinner in the fellowship hall. Please purchase dinner tickets from your child's teacher. Ticket prices are as follows: \$13/adult, \$6/child ages 6-12 years, children under 5 and NFC students are free.



*Check out these
Santa Babies from
Christmas' Past!*