

Jan/Feb/March/April 2021



Tax time, Ugh!

It's tax time again, wow that really comes around fast! Those of you who have given Ms. Vickie your e-mail address has been sent your yearend invoices. However, those of you who did not submit an email address will have your statement available in the front lobby. Those of you who just need our Employee Identification Number here it is! 39-1905508



TELEPHONE calls.

WE would ask all of our PARENTS and FAMILY MEMBERS to REFRAIN FROM calling to visit with THE STAFF BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:30 am and 12 noon. During THOSE HOURS is THE TIME THE STAFF ARE REALLY BUSY and PRESCHOOL is in session. It is VERY HARD

FOR THE STAFF TO pull away FROM WHAT THEY ARE doing TO talk on THE PHONE and KEEP ANY TYPE OF organization OR INTEREST and COOPERATION FROM THE CHILDREN. Unless it is an EMERGENCY, PLEASE call BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 noon and 5:30 PM.

Thank You SO MUCH FOR Your understanding and COOPERATION in this MATTER. Our staff will APPRECIATE this and will HAVE MORE TIME to visit IF WE FOLLOW THOSE HOURS

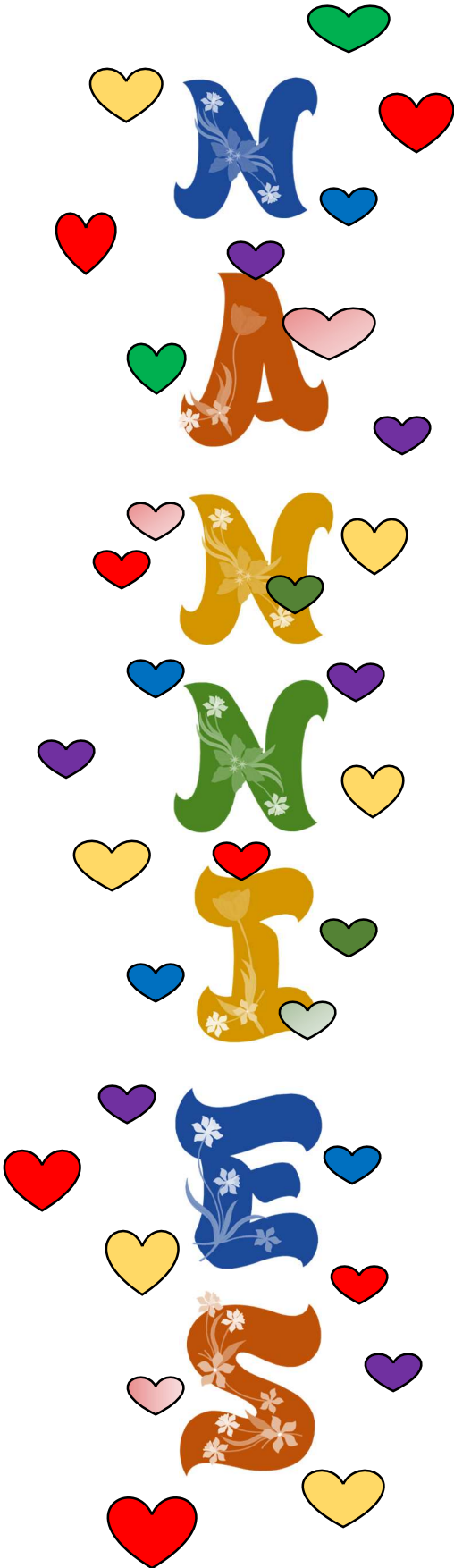


Children will be having their

Valentine's Party

Friday February 12,

2021. Please have your child sign their name to the back of each valentine's card. You may ask your teachers how many cards to complete. This works



out really well and reduces the confusion for the children. Please have their cards completed by Friday February 5, 2021 and give them to the teachers when dropping your child off.



Sick Children

WE KNOW THAT IT IS HARD WHEN YOUR CHILD IS SICK. However, to keep the co-mingling of "bugs" to a minimum we ask that you keep your child at home until they are fever free for 24 hours. If your child is going to stay home, PLEASE telephone the center and let us know they will not be attending. This helps not only

with our lunch counts and staffing but we worry about the child and why they are not at the center.

We ask that you notify the center using the telephone system and not the email/text system! We are not always online checking for those and at times do not see those e-mails/text until later in the day.

We appreciate all of your help in this matter.



Hand Washing!

Although there is no guaranteed way, including the vaccine, to prevent anyone from getting the flu the simplest way is to avoid large crowds. As we all know this is almost impossible to do, so the next best thing is hand washing which helps prevent the spread of infections like the flu. Although the flu season is

typically, from November to April, most cases occur between late December and early March with the vaccine offered between September and mid-November (however the shot can be given at other times of the year). Getting the shot before the flu season is in full force gives the body a chance to build up immunity to, or protection from, the virus. You can get a flu shot well into the flu season; it is best to get it earlier rather than later. Be sure to check with your physician to make sure this vaccine is necessary.



THANK YOU

A special thank you to our parents who have been supplying us with paper throughout the year! Any paper that will fit in our copy machine works great, even if one side is good! Our children and staff will use any and all that is brought to the Center.

Those Darn Rules!

Our Center not only has standards in which we provide in regards to the health and safety requirements for your child. The Department of Human Services also has standards in which the Center is mandated to follow. Every once and awhile we feel we need to review some of those rules so you understand why we do the things we do! We appreciate all of our families who continue to support and help follow those standards. If for any reason you do not understand what we are doing here at the Center, please stop by the office and we will be happy to visit with you!

* Children's files are updated annually, or when a parent notifies the center of a change or the center becomes aware of the change.

* Physicals are updated annually!

* Immunization Certificates are to be updated each and every time a child receives immunizations. The Certificate of Immunization form

(provided by the Department of Public Health) can be found on our website or you may stop by the office to obtain one. All certificates are to be signed and dated.

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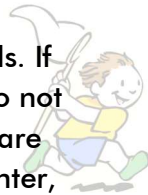
*The Center will administer medication to your child however; all medications should be stored in their original containers, with accompanying physician's directions and the label intact. Nonprescription drugs shall be labeled with the child's name. Please use one (1) medication sheet for each medication that should be administered. We cannot administer medication that is brought to the center in a syringe. All written medication request forms will be updated every 30 days.

We try and accommodate our parents as much as we can. In doing so our staff continues to work four, 10-hour days. This allows the staff member the opportunity to be available at the beginning of the child's day and also



at the end. Parents should take advantage of talking with the staff member about their child's day during this time.

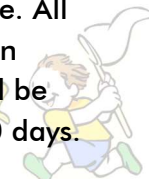
We appreciate our parents and all their support and cooperation helping our Center follow these rules and regulations! Thank you so much!

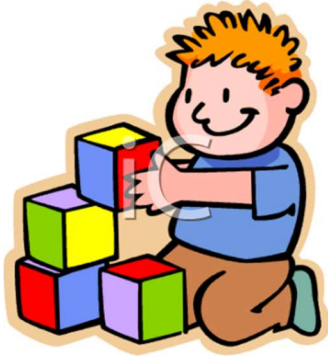


Parking

Entrance/Exits

When entering the parking lot area please enter through the east entrance and exit from the west entrance. This will help keep the flow of traffic in one direction to prevent accidents from occurring. Also, we ask that everyone please go slow and be aware of others in the parking lot. We want everyone to stay safe. There are times children get away from their parents and dart in front of other vehicles.





DONATED TOYS!

To those parent and family members who donate toys, paper, and plastic bags to the Center we sincerely want to thank you for taking the time to bring those to the Center.

When cleaning out closets and sorting through the “older unused toys” at home, please keep in mind that the center can only use toys that can be sanitized. With this in mind we cannot accept “stuffed” cloth toys.

Toys that are cloth/stuffed in nature usually cannot be washed repeatedly and harbor germs from one child to another.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions please let the office know.



Birthdays/Tuition

Parents: Please notify administration in writing when your child has a birthday. There could be tuition adjustments to be made especially when the child turns two years of age.

Parents/Families are responsible for this notification.

Unfortunately, there will NOT be any type of reimbursements or adjustments made for any oversight regarding changes in your child's tuition.

Children who are in elementary school do not need to notify the office of their child's birthdates. Tuition does not usually change after they are enrolled in elementary school.



Diapers and Wipes

Diapers and wipes are due the first Monday of every month! This has always been a good way for us to keep a supply of diapers for your child here at the Center. Keep in mind if we do not have a supply of your child's diapers, we will use the daycare supplies, however you will be charged \$1.00 per diaper. We appreciate everyone bringing their supply when needed. Thank you!



Guidance during Covid-19

CLEANING

The center will be cleaning and disinfecting frequently





touched surfaces (e.g., door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains, grab bars, hand railings, bathroom stalls, tables) at least daily or between each use as much as possible. We will limit the use of shared objects (e.g., toys) when possible, or if shared use is required, they will be thoroughly cleaned between each use. Rooms will be sanitized at the end of each day.



Children and staff are encouraged to bring their own water to minimize use and touching of water fountains.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

The center will restrict the number of people allowed in communal spaces at one time to ensure everyone can stay at least 6 feet apart. Space seating when feasible. Seating will be staggered to the extent possible so children are not sitting immediately in front of each other.

The facility will ensure that children and staff groupings are as static as possible by having the same group of children stay with the same staff as much as possible. Limit mixing between groups if possible.

HYGIENE



The center will encourage healthy hygiene behaviors by providing adequate supplies, including soap, paper towels, tissues, and/or hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol. Staff and children will be required to wash their hands when entering the facility. The facility will discourage sharing of items that are

difficult to clean or disinfect (e.g., plush toys). Children will be discouraged from bringing plush toys from home. Blankets will be sent home daily to be washed.



FACE COVERINGS

Adults will wear face coverings, if medically appropriate. All school-aged children should be encouraged to wear a face covering when able to do so correctly and safely.



School Transportation:

The van used to transport the school age children to Pleasant Hill Elementary Schools will be cleaned and sanitized frequently touched surfaces, in between uses and the children will be required to wash their hands upon entry to the facility.

Spring Break!

March 12-19 for South East Polk students, St. Joseph's March 15-19, 2021. Watch for any specials happening for that week.

Watch for our next newsletter May 2021 



ILLNESS, SCREENING, AND TESTING

The center will conduct daily health checks (i.e., temperature screening and symptom checking) to ensure that staff and children are not admitted to a child care setting when they are ill. Children should stay home if their parent is ill. If a child's parent is ill the child will be sent home and further have the parent call their primary healthcare provider to give direction on their health and safety. Sick children will be separated until they are able to go home. Children and staff ill with COVID-19 should be isolated in accordance with the CDC guidelines.



Hydration: