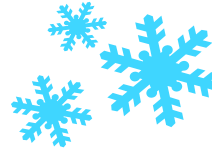
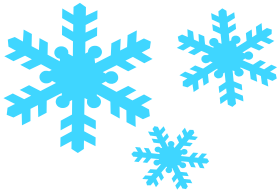


Yuba College Child Development Center

Winter 2013



Happy Birthday....

Alexis	January	17
Jahziyah	January	12
Jaynece	January	5
Aijah	January	22
Micah	January	5
Ravan	January	10
Kadence	January	12
Destiny	January	10
Cody	January	22
Heriberto	January	10
Ivan	January	2
Daniel	January	30
Oswaldo	February	22
Carla	February	15
Jewel	February	6
Sophia	February	14
Teressah	February	1
Yovani	February	14
Kevin	February	20
Amaya	February	14
Kylie	March	7
Sarai	March	3
Evelyn	March	22
Bella	March	30
Jamaal	March	4
Gisselle	March	7
Victoria	March	16

Parent Survey Coming in January....

It is that time again families; time to complete the Parent Survey and let us know how we are doing. This is a short form which requires very little time, however we do ask that you write as many comments as possible as this helps us know where we need to improve and what is working. Many of the questions on the form were addressed when your child was first enrolled, in the Family Handbook or during your orientation appointment. If some of that information is but a dim memory, please feel free to see someone in the program office and they will be happy to provide another Handbook for you. Meeting the needs of both the children and their families is of the utmost importance to us and your honest feedback is vital to making that happen.

When:

The Supervisor Will Be Out Front of Each Classroom with Pastry and Coffee
January 29th—February 1st.



Dates to Remember:

- January 11 CLOSED
- January 21 CLOSED
- February 8 CLOSED
- February 18 CLOSED
- February 14
"Valentines with a Twist"



Welcome Back to Preschool Ms. Tammy

We are happy to announce that Ms. Tammy Rogers is the new Instructional Specialist in Classroom C. Please stop by to say hello and welcome her back to the Preschool classroom. The toddlers will miss her but hopefully when they transition from the toddler class to the preschool they will be able to see her again. Tammy is dedicated to the children's development and strives to make learning through play FUN for each child.

Hablas español?

If you or someone you know is bi-lingual (Spanish/English) we are in desperate need of someone to translate our Family Handbook and newsletters for our Spanish speaking families. If you have a computer at home we will e-mail the documents to you making translating more convenient. Please see Karen Stanis if you are interested. Thank you.

Perfect Attendance

Way To Go Families!

Oswaldo Araujo

Jaylen & Javeyon

Brown

Noah Duplissie

Carla Canada

Teressah Brown

Jack Fleenor

Jahziyah Johnson-Chambers

Isabella Kaufman

Cody Kennard

Yovani Marquez

Logan Rasciner

Shantal Sanchez

Jett Chambers

Mikela Rasciner

Karissa Mosley

Eddie Sarabia



Handy Man/Woman Needed

The Program is in desperate need of a Handy Person to do some odd but necessary jobs for the classrooms. If you or someone you know has a few extra hours in the next week please let your child's teacher know or the supervisor in the program office. Some of the tasks; repairing small equipment, painting furniture, hanging curtains, repairing bookshelves. If you can donate your time, we have the tools.

Thank you for supporting the school.

Learning Through Play.....

Learning Through Play

By Shelley Butler

One sunny summer day, I looked out the window to see my son and a friend spinning and laughing, playing at something known only to the two of them, unfettered by time, expectations, or adult rules. Never before had I seen such pure expressions of joy. Were they playing to learn or consciously seeking new information or skills? No, but if you look closely, they were exploring spatial relationships, honing motor capabilities, practicing social skills and language, creatively thinking, gathering information about the world through their senses, or to put it simply, learning through play.

Play may be as old as the existence of humankind. Playthings have been discovered in the artifacts of ancient civilizations and many believe that the earliest chess pieces date back to 6,000 B.C. Though the link between play and learning was more fully investigated in the 20th century by theorists such as Jean Piaget, the connection was made as early as the first century B.C. by Plato, "You can discover more about a person in an hour of play than in a year of conversation."

What is now undeniably clear in the 21st century is that play is essential, vital, critical, and fundamental to a child's social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development. Without adequate, healthy play, children run the risk of entering school unprepared, growing into teens and adults without needed skills, and failing to meet their potential. Experts at the Institute for Play believe that healthy play in childhood can even prevent violence.

Through joyful, healthy play, children begin a love of learning and prepare for life itself!

(For More About Learning Through Play see the attached article)