

December Newsletter 2022

December is here and this time of year brings so much joy through the eyes of children. The hope, wonder, and anticipation of Christmas has already begun. Here at Mount Cross Child Development Center the classes are preparing songs to share with you during the Family Christmas Singalong & Open House at 6pm on Thursday, December 15.

In the classrooms, the story of Christmas and baby Jesus is being taught.

We are so thankful for such a great turnout with the Nothing Bundt Cake fundraiser. Thank you to all who participated.

Friday, December 16 will be our last day of school before the holiday and all dismissals will be at 11:30am. School will be closed from Monday, December 19 and will reopen Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

From our families to yours, Merry Christmas!

Educational Gift Guide

Do your children beg for toys related to movies? Are most of their toys electronic? Here are the best educational gifts for preschoolers.

Books-

Did you know that books make a great gift for preschoolers? When you buy books as gifts, you're teaching your child to value books and reading over electronics.

Play Dough-

Play dough, cookie cutter, and dough tools like rolling pins are the perfect gift for children who have difficulty holding a pencil or cutting with scissors. Alphabet games, Blocks, Play-doh, Legos or Duplos, Dress-up clothes, Age-appropriate books, Pretend play toys like fruits, vegetables, dishes, and dolls, Art supplies like crayons, markers, paints, blank paper

Cinnamon Dough Ornaments

Materials- 2 cups of cinnamon, 2 cups of applesauce, 1 tablespoon glue (optional)

1. combine applesauce and cinnamon. If the dough is too wet, add more cinnamon.
2. Sprinkle the countertop with cinnamon, and then roll dough out to 1/4 inch thick. Cut with cookie cutters, and place ornaments on an ungreased baking sheet. Use a toothpick to make a hole at the top of each shape for hanging purposes.
3. Let ornaments dry on baking sheets for

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**FAMILY
CHRISTMAS
SING A-LONG**

**Thursday,
December 15
6pm**



several days, or until completely dry. Alternatively, bake in a 200 ° F oven for 2.5 hours.

Please stop by the Child Development center office to see the display that Mrs. Ramirez's class has made.

Teacher Spotlight

Hi my name is Evelyn Ramirez, I am a mother of 4 wonderful children that range from 6-18 years old and one furry baby. I've been in the Child Development field for over 15 years. I have an Associate of Science in Child Development, and my teacher permit. I am an anime fan and still enjoy many animated movies. In my free time, I enjoy gardening and tending to my many plants. I am very excited to have joined the Mt Cross family. It has been a great joy to spend time with your little ones and I'm looking forward for the adventures to come.

Important dates-

December 1- tuition due
December 10- tuition late fee
December 8&9- Lockdown "quiet" drill
Chapel Days- Parents are welcome @11:10am- December 6, 7, 13, 14
December 15- 6 pm- Family Christmas singalong and Open House
December 16- No Lunch bunch or extended care- All dismissals are at 11:30am
December 19- Tuesday, January 3- Christmas Break, no school

School resumes Wednesday, January 4