



February News at Churchbridge Daycare



Mother nature has definitely been temperamental so far this year! We seem to be experiencing more extreme cold days this winter than nice ones. We are getting a lot of use out of our gross motor room on those cold days – climbing, riding bikes and having “snow ball” fights! On the days it’s warm enough to go outside we are out there for as long as we can!

We are currently running the Little Caesars fundraiser. We have done this fundraiser over the last couple of years and it proves to be a hit every time! This year **the top seller will receive a Pepperoni Pizza Kit!** Orders can be made one of two ways – paper form with cash, cheque or e-transfer payment or online with a Credit Card. Paper forms can be found in your parent mailbox. **paper order forms are due back February 9th** and online orders will be accepted until February 13th.

****Every five kits sold will equal one parent volunteer hour**

The Daycare will be celebrating Valentine’s Day on Friday February 14th. You are welcome to send Valentine cards or treats for your child to share with their class that day if you would like to. Due to Covid-19 policies treats must be store bought. Class lists can be found at the end of the newsletter.

If you are in need of a 2021-year end receipt for tax purposes please let Erica or Erin know. The cost is \$10.00 and will be invoiced to your account.

Please be advised that of our Fee schedule will increase by 2% effective March 1, 2022.

Starting February 2022 all childcare fees will be invoiced at the parent reduction rate.

Reimbursements for November, December and January will be issued mid March when we receive funding.

Families who qualify for retroactive payments will need to claim July, August, September, and October on 2021 tax season. Year-end print outs will be available with the reduction, if needed for a \$10.00 charge. November and December will need to be claimed on 2022 tax season.

Please remember to...

- 1) Have monthly planners in by the 15th of each month to ensure childcare for the following month!
- 2) All invoices are to be paid by the end of the month.
- 3) The daycare will be closed February 21st for the family day stat.
- 4) Send winter outside clothes with your child every day – winter boots, ski pants, winter jacket, mittens, toque, neck warmer.

Churchbridge daycare accepts, E-transfers, cheque, bank drafts and pre-authorized payments as forms of payment methods.

THANK YOU!

February Birthdays

Edenilson C. February 02, 2017

Oliver L. February 03, 2014

Maddie M. February 06, 2021

Lincoln S. February 16, 2015

Maddie S. February 17, 2020

Connor M. February 18, 2016

Erika S. February 23, 2016

Hallie K. February 25, 2020

Happy Birthday!!

It's our anniversary!!!

February 6, 2006 Churchbridge Daycare opened its doors. Our very first staff consisted of 3 full time and 2 part time staff members and we had just a handful of kids.

At the time of opening we rented just two rooms in the building! What is the kitchen now was our kitchen/baby /toddler Room and the Crane Room was the preschool /school age Room. We have since bought the building and currently have the baby (dolphin)Room , Toddler (Turtle Room), 2 preschool room – the Crane Room and the Starfish Room, the Kinder/School age Room, a nap room, gross motor room and the kitchen

Over the last 16 years we have grown tremendously in physical size as well as in children, families and staff!

We have been so lucky to have such great support in Churchbridge. We love what we do and look forward to teaching and caring for your children now and in the years to come!

BABY ROOM NEWS

We have had a fun and exciting month in the baby room! We got 3 new friends in January which means we will be pretty busy come February. We got to experience many new and fun activities including edible play dough, frozen whip cream painting, foam and water play over the past few weeks.

We started January by creating many winter themed masterpieces. The last week of January we started to do some valentines themed crafts and activities, and even started decorating the room for Valentine's Day. Come February we plan to do many more fun crafts and activities. We hope to create new and exciting experiences for the babies to enjoy and learn from.

With love from Shelby, Madi, and the babies.



Toddler Room News



We are so happy to welcome all the new faces to the toddler room, especially Brandi! She is now the full time second staff on the room and has filled in for me while I was away. We love Brandi so much and she has such fun things planned all the time!

Happy New Year!

With a new year comes new changes—I am proud to say that I'm officially working in the toddler room full time and have left the kitchen!

This month has been full of many cold days where we weren't able to go outside. We took that time to play, craft, and paint. Some of the crafts and paintings we focused on were arctic animals such as polar bears, penguins, seals and walruses, and as well as igloos!

We did have some days of outside play, though not very long. There was a bit of snow eating and sled rides around the play area and many cold red little cheeks!

It has been enjoyable spending time with the toddlers. I am getting to know them better, their diverse personalities, helping them learn (or reminding) them to say please and thank you, and learning how to share and take turns. I can't wait to see what new adventures await next month!

—Brandi



Crane Room News

Hello 2022!!

Our year has started off little different than we hoped but now we are all back together. Hard to believe that January is already coming to an end.

Crane kids have been trying something new...

On Monday's it's a painting activity and we have painted with a brush, Lego, puffy paint and said spinner.

On Tuesday's we work on our ABC's, color a new letter each Tuesday, and we talk about words that start with that letter as well as sound it makes. We also have been learning the letters in our names and matching the letters to our names on paper.

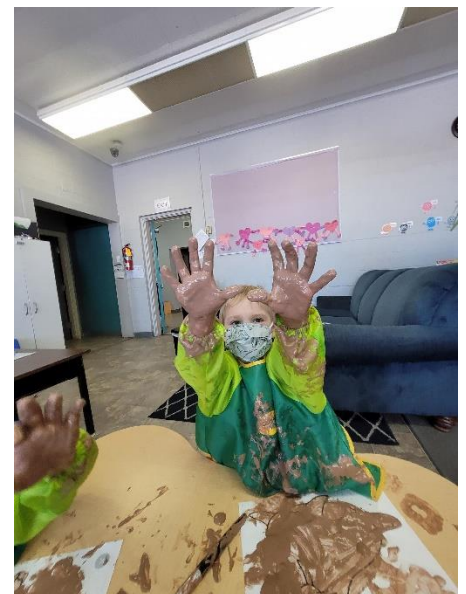
On Wednesday's we do a craft, we made rainbow clouds and valentines crafts.



On Thursday's its experiment day and kids have done changing milk experiment, pepper and water experiment on germs and dancing raisins.

Fridays are fun days we made slime.

We also used some cardboard boxes and made a tunnel fort for the kids to play in and we made some fishing roads and fish for kids to catch.



Starfish Room News

January was a fabulous month! After having to take a short personal leave, I was so excited to get back to work and all the kiddos. The first week back, all routine was thrown out the window as we just enjoyed each other's time, I got lots of extra love and hugs and just rolled with the punches.

Although Mother Nature was not the most cooperative for a few weeks, we made the best of it. The kids made several forts in our room, many obstacles' courses in the gross motor room and ran off some steam in the hallway. But once Mother Nature was more kind, we took full advantage of our outside time. I believe this.....



was how we all felt the first day we got out to play after the terrible cold spell.

One morning we spent time with the kinders building forts in our new fenced play area. We thought we were pretty smart tromping through the deep snow, making new trails and getting ourselves "stuck" and needing to be helped out.



I am constantly changing our room and adding new centers. This month featured an ice fishing shack complete with a fire, hot dogs and marshmallows. They really seemed to like it and spent quite a lot of time playing in this center. Of course with Valentine's just around the corner I have switched this center up and I am sure you will be seeing lots of evidence of the new center coming home soon...



We have also started working more closely on our alphabet. Each week we will be focusing on one letter, the sound it makes, words that begin with that letter, how to write it and of course crafts that are centered around that letter. We have just begun this but the kids already have shown a huge interest in this and are loving it!



-Amanda & the Starfish

Kinder Room News

January was a different kind of month for the Kinders. With low numbers we spent a lot of time with the Starfish Room. We got outside a little bit this month. We built snow forts, made snow angels, and found some big icicles to eat!



We made hot chocolate playdough, which smelled delicious! And made hot chocolate to drink!



We also experimented with crayons and water color paint and found out that the paint does not stick to the crayons...just like magic!

New additions to our room this month were the hairdressing center and winter animal center.

We have started our Valentines Unit and will be having a valentine's Costume party on February 14th!

A list of names is at the end of the newsletter and I will email out details next week!

Erin & the Kinders

Valentine's Day Class Lists

Baby Room Teachers – Wendy, Kathleen, Jordan

Baby Room

Raiden	Cooper	Maddie
Hunter	Hank	Dani

Toddler Room

Cambrie	Lennon	Emmy
Madeline	Sophie	Hallie
Wyatt	Archer	

Crane Room

Ashton S.	Hailey	Blakely	Willow
Ashton L.	Yorick	Javier	Cohen
Ivy	Korbin	Brantley	Charlotte

Starfish Room

Nixon	Tenley	Kian	Alexis
Andres	Easton	Vance	Rhys
Emerson	Theodore	Caleb	

Kinder Room

Connor	Roman	Ronan
Heath	Helen	Emily
Ledger	Erika	Jaxon

