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Dear Friends,

Happy January! Welcome to a brand new year! We hope everyone had a fun-filled Christmas and New Year’s!

As with the start of every New Year we like to take this opportunity to reflect on what we have done in the past year and what we would like to achieve in the year to come. Our goal at SPLPCCC is not only to provide a safe and caring environment for your children, but to create a love for learning that will stay with them forever. Please be sure to talk with your child about the activities they do here; if you get excited about what they are learning they will too. ☺ If you have any ideas/suggestions that you would like us to try and incorporate with our activities please do not hesitate in letting us know!

A big thank you to everyone who donated a toy for Toys-for-Tots! The children really loved watching the pile grow bigger and bigger.

If you would like a year-end statement for child care expenses for your tax return please let your child’s teacher know. We only prepare these upon request. Also, please allow 2-3 days after your request for this to be generated.

Inclement weather: In the event that the center would need to open late, close for the day, or close early the information will be posted on our Facebook page, website, and can be heard if you call into the center. We do our very best to remain open as we understand that some of you must work regardless of the weather conditions but if the need to close arises the above mentioned methods are how you will be informed.

\* Scholastic Book orders due by January 8th! ☺

Thanks and have a happy month!

Staff of SPLCCC

Happy Birthday-

07- Chelsea Price, 5 years old

10- Jaelynn Mumaw, 5 years old

15- Colin Vanness, 1 year old

15- Luke Mace, 4 years old

23- Clark Davis, 4 years old

28- Quinn Neal, 2 years old

29- Madelyn Bonini, 2 years old

Anniversaries:

Ms. Mina will be celebrating 19 years with SPLPCCC on the 27th! We are so happy to have Ms. Mina as part of our team! She provides a very loving and nurturing classroom for our 3 year olds! Thank you for all you do, and have done, for our center!

Lesson Plans:

Toddler Room:

We will start out the year with a unit on New Year’s! This year our resolution will be to have more fun than ever!! We will then move into a unit on snowflakes in hopes that we see some that we can actually play with! The week after that we will learn about Arctic animals. We will end the month with a unit on winter clothing and how to stay warm.

2 year old class

Brrr, it’s cold outside! We’re jumping right into a lesson on snowflakes the first week! Hopefully we get to see a few! Then we will start learning about different animals. Some warm and fuzzy, some creepy and crawly! The next week will be filled learning all about numbers. We have some pretty awesome crafts to go with it! Our last week will be a week of all things transportation!

3 Year old class

First we will bring in the New Year with some hand prints and work on the letter Nn. We will follow that with a unit on Snowman. The next week we will focus on Winter and the color white, so get out your mittens and hats. The following week we will be working on mittens and the color blue. To end the month we will be looking for the groundhog and making puppets and painting. We will also focus on the number 5 and our shape for the month is a rectangle.

4 year old classroom:

Letters: review Numbers: review

Colors: review Shapes: review

For the start of our New Year we will be working hard on learning new things! We will be starting an alphabet book, but it will not be finished for you to see until March. ☺ We will start show and tell on Tuesday’s starting January 9th—there will be a note on the wall next to the door and a reminder on reports. The note will let you know what item we would like you to bring. Example: B –bear, book, ball, etc.