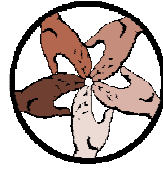


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DECEMBER 2009 INFANT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

EVENTS TO TAKE NOTE OF IN DECEMBER 2009

Friday, December 4, 2009: Picture Makeup Day

Friday, December 18, 2009: Last day of school before the winter break. Minimum day. School ends at 12:00 pm. No school and no daycare.

Monday, December 21, 2009 through Friday, January 1, 2010: Winter break. No school, no daycare.

PICTURE MAKE-UP

Retakes of school pictures will be on Friday, **December 4th**. Pictures will begin at 9:30 am. If your child needs his/her picture taken, please see the office for an order form.

HOLIDAY PARTY



On Friday, **December 18th**, the last day of school before the winter break, we will acknowledge Christmas with a special holiday meal. We will not be ordering pizza on this day.

This is also a minimum day. School ends at 12:00 pm and there will be no daycare.



THE HEIFER PROGRAM



As their contribution to others, the staff will help a struggling family move themselves out of poverty by purchasing animals for them

through the Heifer program. Heifer's mission is to work with communities around the world to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth.

We would like to invite you to join us in our effort as we prepare to celebrate this season of joy and light, and hope for the world. We hope our gift of sustainable financial independence will be passed on from family to family, community to community, helping to change poverty to prosperity, hatred to love, and war to peace.

A good dairy cow can produce four gallons of milk per day - enough for a family to drink and share with neighbors, and still have enough left over to sell. The protein in milk can transform sick, malnourished children into healthy boys and girls. The sale of surplus milk earns money for school fees, medicine, clothing and home improvements. And because a healthy cow can have a calf every year, your gift of a heifer cow could eventually help an entire community move from poverty to self reliance.

And that's a present that's impossible to top!

The staff greatly appreciates your support of this important program, especially in these tough economic times.

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK



We still have space available in our Second Harvest collection barrels. If you have already contributed,

thank you so much for your generosity. If you have not contributed, there is still time. The barrels will be picked up the day before school ends on December 17th.

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION



Thanks to all the families who donated gently-used books and toys for our toy sale. We raised \$300!! A special thank you goes to Lisa Falk for organizing and helping at the event.

Special thanks go to the Monclus family for referring the Benea family to One World. Because the Benea family enrolled one child, the Monclus family will receive one free month of tuition.

Diwali: We would like to thank Sitara Restaurant (corner of Lawrence Expressway and Homestead) for giving us a very good deal for our yummy feast. If you ever go and eat at Sitara, please acknowledge their generosity and mention that your child goes to One World Montessori.

Thanksgiving: Thank you to all the parents who helped with the cooking, warming up, set-up, serving and clean-up.

IT WAS A GREAT CELEBRATION.



January Preview:

January 4, 2010: Welcome back to school

January 18, 2010: Martin Luther King's birthday. No school, no daycare.