

Churchbridge Daycare

Important Dates

- Scholastic is due back the 15th of every month
- Monthly Calendars are due back the 20th of every month
- Pajama day is every Friday
- St. Patrick's Day is on the 17th!!

March Birthdays

Josh. J- March 2/02
Rylan. C- March 4/ 08
Kolby. C- March 10/09
Tori. S- March 11/02
Natalie. P- March 19/09
Madison. K- March 20/02
Ayla. S- March 20/ 06
Daniel. K- March 30/ 06

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Daycare News

Another month has flown by...pretty soon we will be expecting warm weather!!

The full time staff has finished up the Play and Exploration Mentorship program. They are all working very hard to create a vibrant, educational and stimulating environment for the children and all their effort looks great!! Go take a look in the rooms there are always new arts and crafts being hung, new songs being learned and a ever

growing imagination!!!!

March 17th is St. Patrick's Day, I'm sure that all the rooms will have something special going on so dress in **GREEN!!!** For the past few years our little leprechaun friends would come visit us at the daycare, hopefully they come again! The kids are always anxiously waiting for their

arrival!!

We would like to welcome the new children to Churchbridge Daycare but are sad to see a few children leave!! So long to all the families who will be leaving us we will miss you!!



Beretta smiling away for the camera!

* **Be sure to be on the look out for our next fundraiser!!! Old Dutch**

Erica and Erin

Friendly Reminders!!!!

Procare has been experiencing some difficulties these past few weeks...thank you for being patient and understanding! Thank you to all the parents to are using Procare on a daily basis, it is greatly appreciated. On March 1st we will completely be switching over to

Procare and no longer be using the parent sign in sheets. Its very important to remember to sign your children in and out every time they are here. I have provided each family with their passwords it is in your parent mail boxes.... **PLEASE READ!!!**

If you have any questions

please be sure to talk to me about it.

Also **PLEASE** have your monthly calendars filled out by the 20th of the previous month and hand them into the office.

Thank you

BABY ROOM NEWS

February was bustling in the baby room. Every Friday we have been having pajama day and having great success with it! Our plan is continue pajama day through March. The babies look so cute coming to daycare in their little sleepers. On Valentines Day we wore red/pink, did a craft, and even ate a little chocolate. With March arriving quickly we are hoping to get some nice weather so we can get the babies outside. Please be sure to bring appropriate outdoor clothing. Also, with the arri-

val of spring we plan on doing some fun spring crafts and fill the room with some spring décor. Around Saint Patrick's Day, Thurs. March 17th, we will be doing crafts and would love if you could dress your babies in green for the holiday. Be sure to check out our new Birthday Board being set up in the Baby Room. Please feel free to approach us with any ideas or concerns you have for the baby room and keep your fingers crossed for an early spring!

Thank-you!



Abbey and Jolie posing for the camera!

The Baby Room Staff

Toddler Room News

March.. Will it be in like a lamb and out like a lion?

February was a pretty quiet month. The kidlets read TONS of books, built tall buildings from the big blocks, and vacuumed *everything*. As of lately, the kids have been loving the musical instruments—especially the whistles and harmonicas (which get sanitized *quite* often.)

We also enjoyed a few days outside when the weather was nice. We went sliding down our little hill, chased each other around the yard, and tried to shovel some paths. One day Lauren

opened up an 'ice-cream' shop underneath the play structure. She sold us delicious ice-creams that took a long time to prepare!

On St. Patrick's Day, it would be great to see everyone dress up in green! I will be planning some fun things to do and there may even be a few tricks in store.

Just a few reminders:...

-Each Friday we will still continue to participate in wearing PAJAMAS! It's great to be snugly warm and comfortable all day!

-Please remember to read the daily books we fill out in your child's cubby. These books have lots of important information in them. Also, feel free to write in them.

-With the changes in the weather coming up soon, please remember to have an extra set or two of clothing in your child's cubby. We will not only have wet clothing from being outside once the big melt starts, but we also can get pretty messy with activities we

set up in the room.

-Please send some type of footwear for your children, in the event of a fire drill, not all children can be carried and some may have to walk out in sock feet. Homemade slippers with felted bottoms are fine to wear. If you would like me to make a pair for your kids, please let me know! You know me, I love to make stuff!

I have been busy taking pictures and documenting the kids and hope to have some more documentation panels up soon!

Remember that the toddler stage is a very important milestone in your child's life. If you ever have and questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask me. Good parent-teacher relationships only mean an easier day for your child!

Have a happy March!

Terissa and the Toddlers!

Madie :
"We're super heerios!"
Kaleb :
"Super heerios to the rescue!"



Star Fish News

Wow, February sure was a cold one! Due to all the cold and stormy weather we ended up having a lot of inside days. To help us pass the time, and to sneak some physical activity in, we often played "running" games in the hallway like "What Time is it Mr. Wolf?" and "Red Light, Green Light". We also brought out our inflatable jumper which was a lot of fun. When the weather was nice you can be sure we were outside. The combination of really warm temperatures followed by really cold temperatures made some nice icicles on our building. The snow drifts were so high by them we were able to climb up and pull them off! I haven't eaten an icicle since I was a kid and I've gotta say, I forgot how good they are!! We also went sledding on the big hills by the school and played a few games of "King of the Castle". It's funny how fast you can get up and down a hill when you have ten four and five year olds after you - the kids were not the only ones who slept well on those nights!

To start off February we focused on Valentine's Day and the people we love. We made Valentine's cards, mail boxes and hand print flowers. We also made red Jell-O and Valentine banana muffins. On the 14th we had our Valentine's party. The children each took turns handing out their Valentine Cards, we then played find the heart and musical hearts.

In mid February we were invited to the Crane Room's

Masquerade Ball. To prepare for the ball we made crowns, magic wands and shields. We also read the story "The Paper Bag Princess" by Robert Munsch. The kids loved to help me read the line "**Ronald, your hair is all nice, your clothes are all pretty, you look like a nice guy but you are a bum!**" We must have read this line about five times everyday! The Ball was a big hit. The Princes, Princesses and Knights had a blast dancing, parading, decorating cakes and cookies and having a royal tea party! Thanks to Lindee and the Cranes for the invite!

For the last week of February we had a lot of fun playing with the Cranes who we shared the room with while the School Age kids were on their break from school.

I have a feeling that March may be filled with a few surprises and a bit of mischief with St. Patrick's Day just around the corner - I can't wait to try catch those sneaky Leprechauns again. We have been visited by the Leprechauns for the last five years and so far we've had no luck catching them, maybe this will be our year!

Let's hope March will bring us lots of luck and warm weather.

Erin & The Star Fish



Kendra eating her icicle on a warm February Day.

The Star Fish at the Masquerade Ball



Crane Room News

Brr! Even the month of love was a little chilly!

We tried to stay busy during the month of February, with lots of Valentine's day prep, play and fun. The kids all made mailboxes and spent V-day morning filling them, only to rip through their cards and candy a few minutes later! Thanks to everyone for participating in our card exchange, the kids really loved giving and receiving their 'presents'! At our party we played some Valentines games, danced to love songs, decorated cupcakes, molded some pretty play dough and made red Jell-O jigglers.

After that we did our prince/princess theme and planned for our masquerade ball. The kids were SO excited for it and talked about the upcoming party for days in advance. They were wowed by the 'ballroom' and asked if it could "stay like this forever!!" I think they all felt quite special when they were introduced with a spotlight! It was a busy, super fun day; thanks again to all the parents that spent that extra time that the ball required... I appreciate your efforts in our crazy adventures!



In March we will, of course, be consumed by leprechauns. I can't speak for them, but I'm sure they have lots of mischief planned. I'll send home a note for Crane parents with information about our activities in the upcoming weeks J.

May a leprechaun bring ye luck!

Lindee