



December 2016

Calendar of Events:

- 3rd- Miracle on Main 11-4:30
- 6th- St. Nicholas Day
- 13th- Children's Wonderland (Parkway)
11:00-12:00 \$4.00
- 16th- Santa Visits
- 16th- Christmas Party
- 19th- Children's Christmas Program 6:00
Please have children arrive by 6:45
- 24th- Hanukkah begins
- 24th- Christmas Eve
- 25th- Christmas Day
- 31st- New Year's Eve



Themes for December:

Christmas Around the World
Winter Animals Snow

Charlie	Lucas	Danny
Bryce		Dylan
Ivan		Landon V
Ellie		Rylee
Paige	Miss Nicki	Miss Jill
Miss Theresa	Miss Lauryn	



Notes from the Office:

*If you are not going to attend during the holidays, save yourself some money and be sure to fill out a vacation slip.

*Please dress your child appropriately for the weather. It is beginning to get cold and we do go outside daily.

*Please make sure there is a change of weather-appropriate clothing in your child's cubby, accidents and spills do happen. Please make sure that all items are labeled with your child's name.

*Mark your calendars! We will be having the Children's Christmas Program on Monday, December 19th at Northview High School's Auditorium. The program will begin at 7:00p.m, please have your child arrive by 6:45p.m. A formal invitation to follow.

***During the Christmas Program, please make sure that your child is with you or their teacher at ALL times. Children are NOT permitted on stage unless with their teacher during their allotted time, as we are GUESTS in someone else's facility. Thank you for your cooperation.**

"Caught Beeing Good"

Infant- Braylen
Miss Jill- Olivia
Miss Janna- Luca
Miss Lauryn- Marilyn
Miss Nicki- Callie
Miss Crystal-Vincent
Miss Jenny- Meadow
Miss Paige- Leah
Miss Kendra- Jackson
Miss Andrea- Lilian





Classroom News

Baby Boulevard:

Miss Marsha/Miss Nikki:

Twas the night before the day of the next, when the infant room teachers were all sent a text. "The parents have called all have said, Not one of the babies would go to bed." As tired as could be, to work they must go, those poor, deprived parents with heads hung so low. Miss Marsha and Miss Nikki "You better come now----you better come quick!" First entered Landon B. and Charlie, No smiles on their faces ---oh what a dilemma. Braylen his Mom usually so bright, Arrived bleary eyed saying' " Oh what a night!" "I tried bouncing and feeding and burping---no luck!" "We tried humming and singing and a soft, furry duck!" "It happened at our house just the night before," Said Maddox's and Landon E's Dads with a roar. "What's going on? We must get our sleep," Nadine and Celeste parents did weep. "What in the world made them all stay awake? Did you feed them candy and cookies and cake?" "Oh my," said the teachers their faces grew sadder, as Edison and Avery arrived with a clatter. Grumpy and crying their demeanors not cheery, entered sweet Leo and Samuel so weary. "This is not good this is not right!" the teachers exclaimed, "But an end is in sight." "I think I know what is happening here "Miss Nikki proclaimed, "It's that time of year," The stress, the activities, the visits, the shopping, the baking, the cooking, the family non-stopping!" The schedules those babies love and expect are a messes due to the holiday rush we suspect. We know the remedy, the prescription is clear, stay true to the routine and have no fear. The holidays will come and go so fast, the grumpies and whinies will be a thing of the past. The parents they sighed saying "Maybe they are right." and smiled to themselves now feeling quite bright. To all of our parents and babies so dear, we say "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!" Looking forward to 2017, Miss Marsha and Miss Nikki

Toddler Trail:

Miss Jill:

Happy Thanksgiving to all of our families! Hope everyone enjoyed the food, and time spent with family and friends. I would like to welcome Jackson, and Eli to Toddler Ville. They both join the room at such a good time. They will be joining us for our Christmas program on Dec 19th at Northview High School. We have been practicing a lot and are looking forward to see them shine. During the month of November we explored topics like 5 senses, healthy foods, and Thanksgiving –Indians-Pilgrims. Five Senses was a fun theme for our friends, they got to taste kiwis and raspberries, and lemons. The looks on their faces were priceless. When talking about healthy foods we talked about the different fruits and vegetables. We painted strawberries and painted with some vegetables. Our next theme was, Thanksgiving; the children enjoyed the feast Miss Patty made for us. We talked about our favorite food that we eat on this friends. Please make sure they are labeled as well. Special day we made fun art projects like a hand print turkey. During this week we got to make a thanksgiving feast dessert and we made pumpkin spice pull-apart bread. It was delicious. Thanks to all the kids who participated in the Ohio State vs Michigan Football Day. It was a fun day!

Miss Lauryn:

Hello families and friends! I cannot believe how fast November has come and gone. This month we learned about pumpkins, talking about their colors, shapes, sizes and textures. We also discussed healthy foods and eating. The children especially enjoyed painting with broccoli! We enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving Feast and really enjoyed our pumpkin cookies for dessert. Wyatt, Sarah, Jackson, Aiden, Marilyn, Michael and Emilia all had a lot of fun preparing our cookies, and even more fun eating them! We learned all about Thanksgiving and what we are and should be thankful for. Some of their responses were so cute! We also learned about our 5 senses and had lots of fun using different textures throughout the week and using all of our senses throughout the days. We look forward to continue learning in the month of December. With cold weather here, please be sure to bring in labeled waterproof gloves, hats, and maybe even a scarf. We do go outside in the snow and cold! I can't wait until we can build a snowman together and go for sled rides! Be sure to keep an eye on the December calendar as it is full of fun and exciting activities!

Miss Janna:

The first week of the month we covered healthy foods. We used potatoes and cucumbers to paint with for art time. We also ate some cucumbers for snack with some ranch dressing. Yum! We made healthy faces using rice cakes, shredded carrots, raisins, and cream cheese. We had so much fun! We read some fun books like "There Was an Old Lady That Swallowed a Pie!" We loved that story! We also read books about fruits and vegetables. For the second week in the month, we learned about Thanksgiving. We sang the song 10 fat turkeys with hand motions and acted like little turkeys. We made turkeys out of brown paper bags, with candy corn and did the turkey pokey. We put our left wing in and our left wing out, it was so cute! Our next theme was football. We used laminated footballs with numbers on them and put corresponding dots to work on our numbers. We also decorated donuts in Ohio State colors and sugar cookies in Michigan colors. What another yummy treat! We finished the month with the theme of 5 senses. We sang "Did you ever hear a bell ring" as we rang some real bells. As always, we also worked on our colors, shapes and numbers too! We made textured playdough with glitter and used textured fabric for an art project. For outdoor play, we did red light, green light, using colored paper to help them with their colors red and green. November was a great month, and December has much more in store for us! As a general reminder, please be sure that your child has labeled hat, waterproof gloves and a winter coat as the weather is getting much colder outside. I thank you for being the most important influence in your child's life. Together, we make a great team! I appreciate all of you!

Preschool Plaza:

Miss Crystal:

Happy December!

I can't believe we have made it to December already!! We had so much fun in November, I can't wait to see what December has in store! Last month we explored Community Helpers and all they do for us, as well as Thanksgiving! We transformed our classroom into our own Over the Rainbow community complete with a post office, hair salon, and library and construction zone! The children really had a great time exploring all the centers and what each community helper does! Their favorites were the fireman and post office!

For Thanksgiving, the children all talked about what they are thankful for! We also discussed turkeys and played in our cranberry bog sensory table!! This month we will be learning all about Baking, Gingerbread and Christmas! Each class will be building our own gingerbread house so be sure to check those out as well!! We even have a special visitor coming later this month! We have been working hard on our Christmas songs for the program as I am sure you are hearing at home! We can't wait to sing for you all at the program! As a reminder, don't forget to check your child's cubby for labeled extra clothes as well as hats and waterproof gloves as we do go outside every day! Thanks and let's have a great December!!

Miss Nicki:

As November comes to an end, we welcome a fun and exciting December! We enjoyed learning many new things. We started the month off by learning about community helpers. We talked about the different ways all the community helpers help us out every day. We enjoyed doing several art projects and talked about what we would like to be when we grow up. Their responses were so cute! Next we moved onto Thanksgiving. We enjoyed talking about the holiday, what it is and how we celebrate with our families. We discussed things we have to be thankful for and made some cute and fun turkey crafts. We had a delicious Thanksgiving feast and really had fun making our yummy pumpkin Rice Krispy treats for dessert! In December, we will discuss baking, Christmas and New Year's. Please make sure you are bringing in warm extra clothes that are labeled as well as hats, waterproof gloves and winter coats. We do go outside in the cold and the snow! Labeling is very important so we can ensure that everyone has the right belongings. If you ever have any questions please ask, I am always willing to answer any questions or concerns and will be around for anything you may need. I am looking forward to a fun and exciting December!



Tuesdays:

12/6: Starts with D

12/13: Something Rectangular

12/20: Christmas Related

12/27: Free Choice

Miss Jenny:

Is it really December already?! I can't believe how fast time flies when we are having fun in the Plaza room! I hope everyone's holiday season is off to a great start. We have many fun things planned for the month of December! Our themes this month will be baking, gingerbread, Christmas, and the New Year. You can find the themes and the show and tell topics on the calendar posted just outside our classroom door. Some important dates to remember is the class Christmas party on December 16th and the Christmas program at Northview High School December 19th. Please arrive for the program with your child by 6:45 pm and the program will start at 7:00. Your children have been working hard on their songs and can't wait to sing to you! A few more reminders, please bring in hats, waterproof gloves, and scarves for your children, labeled with their name on each piece. We are excited for all of the fun things we have planned for this month and we can't wait to get started!

Pre-K Parkway:

Miss Paige:

Happy Holidays! Over the past few weeks we have been learning many new and exciting themes. We learned about Halloween traditions and had a very yummy party. Thanks to all the parents who came to the parade and made delicious snacks and contributed to our fun day! Next we dosie doed our way into the Wild Wild West. We learned everything about cowboys from what they wore to the animals and plants that grow in the Wild West. Next we had some turkey fun and learned about Thanksgiving. We learned about Pilgrims and Indians and what Thanksgiving is all about.

We got to have a delicious Thanksgiving feast at school and really enjoyed the pumpkin cheesecake that we made for dessert. What a fun month!

Just a reminder, we are going to Children's Wonderland on December 13th and the cost is \$4.00. The Christmas program is December 19th, please have your child there by 6:45. Please remember to label all items for your child such as hats, gloves, and even coats as some friends may have the same one. If you plan to take any time off for the holidays, don't forget to fill out a vacation slip to save yourself some money! I look forward to an exciting month.



Miss Kendra/Miss Andrea:

Happy holidays from parkway! We cannot believe how fast the holidays have come but the children are very excited for the many upcoming events that are going to happen! Over the past few weeks we got to celebrated Halloween, Wild West and thanksgiving! We all had a blast at our Halloween party and thanks to all the parents that came to the parade and gifted food and treats! Then we lassoed are way into the Wild West. We studied cowboys and what life was like on a ranch. We discussed how cowboys go on a cattle drive and how they slept in sleeping bags on the ground. We got to play in a "jail cell" and dress up like cowboys. We have now been studying thanksgiving what taking about the meaning behind it. We learned that the Indians came and met with the Pilgrims not getting along at first then learning to live with each other and taught each other how to live. We celebrated our very on "first thanksgiving" in the classroom on Thursday November 17th. We got to eat turkey, mashed potatoes, rolls, peaches and gravy. We then made a pumpkin dessert. They children all loved the pumpkin cheese cake that we made! We will soon be learning about our 5 sense, baking, and Christmas. Please make sure to change out your children's clothing making sure it is weather appropriate and is labeled. Making sure that your child also has hat, gloves, and coats for the winter season which is fast approaching. We have our Christmas performance coming up and we will also be going to Winter wonderland at the ice arena on December 13th please make sure to bring the 4 dollars in at any time. Please as always if you have any questions, comments, or concerns don't hesitate to ask! Happy holidays and we hope you enjoy your time off! Miss Andrea and Miss Kendra!



Thursdays:

12/1: Free Choice

12/8: Favorite Game

12/15: Favorite Recipe

12/22: Christmas Related

12/29: Favorite Holiday Book