



Lil' People's World Newsletter

Kirkland
December
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Message from our Director

Happy Holidays from Lil' People's World, Kirkland!

We wish you a very happy holiday season! We have had a great year. Thank you everyone who was able to participate in events at the center. From contributions to our fundraisers, attending our family events and just the day-to-day basics. We appreciate your contributions and have enjoyed getting to know your families better and making our center amazing!

December is here and with it brings excitement, darker days, twinkling lights, and that time of year where we have increased possibilities of snowflakes! Snow is like magic, and it doesn't happen often. The children enjoy the snow days as much as the teachers. The opportunities to chase friends in the snow, make snowballs and snowmen on our playground is a special treat! We try to stay open during snow days, but at reduced hours (to be decided the day of). During extreme winter weather we will keep you updated via the Remind app, Instagram and Facebook, plus a message on our answering machine. Until then, we will just enjoy the snow in our dreams.

Photo of the Month



**Ms. Carmen and Ms. Cindy
Hosting Multiculture Night in
The Waddler Room**

December

Upcoming Events & Holidays

Hanukkah December 7-15

December 22-25 Closed for Christmas Holidays

December 26-January 1st: Kwanzaa

January 1st: Closed for New Years Day

Elementary School Schedules & Closures

Northshore School District and Lake Washington School District will both be closed from December 18th-December 29th for Winter Break.

In addition, both school districts are closed on January 1st to observe New Year's Day.

Supporting Your Child's Development. One Step at a Time...

Children gain a lot of social and emotional growth in the first years of life. As early learning providers, we offer activities to encourage growth in these areas. We offer imaginative play, dramatic play, and "babies", and other social play to encourage situations where they can work out problems. We model language with the children to help them learn about emotions. We guide the children through situations with big emotions to help them navigate not only their own emotions, but the emotions of others. Books and discussions are another area to encourage social/emotional growth. These steps in child development, build skills that last a lifetime.

Focus on Fun

This December we will be having Holiday Cheer Week! Let's spread a little cheer while we are waiting for the holidays to come. As the excitement builds, we will be having some fun days to bring on the cheer, starting December 18th, and ending December 21st.

December 18th: Green and Red Day! Dress up in your best green, red, or a combo of both.

December 19th: Crazy Sweater Day, Wear your crazy holiday sweater.

December 20th: Crazy holiday hair: Bows, braids, colors and the works!

December 21st: Pajama Day!



December

Songs & Signs

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle little star,
How I wonder what you are?
Up above the world so high
Like a diamond in the sky
Twinkle twinkle little star,
How I wonder what you are?

This song is a classic, the kids love it and love to do the hand motions. This time of year, we enjoy it a lot because it is dark earlier, and easier to see the stars.

Play...Teach...Love

Building meaningful relationships is one of the reasons that we enjoy working with young children. We can impact someone else life by teaching them social skills, life skills and many other things. One thing the teachers love is hearing the children call their name as they arrive for the day. It really makes their day to hear the joy in the children voices as they are greeted, and the hugs that are received.

Featured Crafts

**Take me to the moon!
Cute baby feet from our infant room.**



Special Thank You!



Mr. Nate has been working for us since 2017. He is a wonderful employee, And can be found in and out of Classrooms, working with kids, watering Gardens and helping teachers by giving a Hand where needed. We appreciate all Your help. Thank you, Nate!