



Morningstar Learning Center Newsletter

January 6, 2017



Important Dates

Jan. 12	MLC Board Meeting
Jan. 15	February Enrollment Due
Jan. 30	February Billing Processed

Spanish Class

Ms. Faye and Ms. Karla have been working on a Spanish curriculum for the preschool students. Ms. Karla will teach a Spanish class on Tuesdays that introduces students to the Spanish language and culture. Her focus for this month will be numbers 1-10 and greetings. She will teach using songs, games, and group activities.



Director's Desk

Welcome **Jennifer Murillo!** Jennifer is a new teacher's aide who will be helping out in all of the classrooms. She is passionate about early-childhood education and has been involved in the field for over 20 years. She and her family live in the Bozeman area.

We would like to say *farewell* to **Ms. Liz O'Leary**. She has been a part of the team at MLC for over a year and has done a wonderful job with the students, families, and colleagues. We will miss her and wish her the very best in her new endeavor. Ms. Liz will be available to help at MLC on a limited basis as her new schedule allows.

We would also like to say *farewell* to **Ms. Cat Heidt**. She has been working at MLC since November and was unexpectedly called to help with her family in Washington. She loved her time at MLC working with the students and staff and we will miss her!

Basecamp to Kindergarten

As we are nearing the half-way mark for the public school year, many families are turning their thoughts to **kindergarten preparedness**. Basecamp to Kindergarten has provided MLC with great sets of themed activities and lessons that families can check out and take home. Each set comes in a zippered bag. The bags are all located on the upstairs landing outside the preschool room. Please come and check them out!



Treasure Box Items

Our toddler and preschool classrooms are in need of new treasure box toys. I have created an Amazon Treasure Box Toy wish list if you would like to quickly order toys for our students.

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2/QQAVCVF7C9E5/ref=bnav_topnav_lists_3

Role Play

The preschool room is in need of boy's dress-up clothes for role playing. Ideas include:
-wallet
-briefcase
-suit & tie



Instagram Accounts

We have created Morningstar Learning Center class instagram accounts. Only parents of students in each class will be approved as viewers until further notice.

Infant Class: MLCInfant_Class

Toddler Class:
MLC_Toddler_Class

Preschool Class:
MLC_Preschool_Class

January Theme: Winter

This next month all the classrooms surrounding this theme.

The **Infant Class** is learning the song Snowflake Snowflake. They will be focusing on learning specific sign language to encourage communication.

The **Toddler Class** will participate in a variety of highly interactive, hands-on science projects next week in addition to learning about animals that migrate and hatch from eggs.

This week the **Preschool Class** will learn about penguins! Do all penguins live in the cold? Do all penguins look the same? Are penguins big or little? These are just a few of the questions we will be researching as we explore the wonderful world of the spheniscidae family!



The Toddler class requests donations of empty gallon milk jugs for an igloo project.

