



# Morningstar Learning Center Newsletter

## December 21, 2018



# December

## Christmas & New Year's

The **Infant Class** will continue working on learning sign language. They will be doing lots of fun Christmas artwork to hang around the classroom. Merry Christmas!

The **Toddler Two's Class** will be learning about New Year's Eve! We will be saying farewell to 2018, making festive confetti, and doing a glittery science experiment.

Letter: D  
Number: 1  
Color: **Yellow**

The **Toddler Three's Class** will be learning about what month starts off the New Year! We will be looking at what number changes when the new year begins.

Letter: **Dd**  
Number: **9**  
Color: **Gold**

This week in the **Preschool Classroom**, we will wrap up our theme learning about holidays around the world. Students will receive their last passport stamp as well as share some of the traditions they do at their home. If you have some traditions you would like to share, it's not too late, please let Ms. Kimberly or Ms. Lori know.

Letter: **Nn**  
Number: **16**  
Shape: **Cone**  
Color: **Green**  
Word of the week: **Me**

### Important Dates

December 22	Skate w/Santa
December 24 & 25	Christmas Break - No School
December 28	January Billing Processed
December 31	Sledding Party
January 1	New Year's Day - No School
January 10	MLC Board Meeting
January 15	February Billing Emailed

Morningstar Learning Center will be **closed** on Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 for Christmas Break!

### Quarterly Enrollment Policy Update

Quarterly Enrollment Policy helps MLC predict long-term staffing and financial needs while allowing families flexibility with scheduling. Families are required to give their enrollment dates 3 months in advance. **MLC's Quarterly enrollment will now be due the 1st of the month**, due to high enrollment needs. In an effort to be accommodating, if families notify MLC 30 days or more in advance of absences (for example: vacations), they will be charged 50% of their tuition.

**As a friendly reminder, Spring Quarterly Enrollment and MLC Scholarship Applications will be due February 1st!**

### Clocking In & Out

Parents please remember to sign your child in and out when they are here. This is very important for us to track their attendance. If you forgot the code or need our assistance please come and ask Stephanie Byam or Lori Van Eps.

### December 31 New Year's Eve Sledding Party

December 31 after snack MLC students will walk to the sledding hill next door for a fun filled day of sledding. If your child is not signed up for the day but you would like to join in on the sledding, please let Stephanie or Lori know!

*Your child must wear a ski helmet to be able to participate.*

### Dance Class

This month the dancers will learn about the Nutcracker! We will talk about variations (short dances that make up big production), keep working on our jetes (big jumps), and we will continue to talk about passés. At the end of each group, we will watch a different variation of the Nutcracker, and talk about the story it tells and the different characters!

### Spanish Class

This month is Spanish, Ms. Karla will continue to go over colors and shapes. The Preschoolers will practice saying their colors and shapes all while playing a variety of different games to get their bodies moving!

## Director's Desk

**Stephanie's Office Hours:**  
Monday- Friday 8:30am-10am

**Lori's Office Hours:**  
Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30am-11am

## Welcome

Please welcome **Andrea Minert** as our newest Infant Lead Teacher! Andrea has been in Big Sky for the past 5 years working as a nanny for many Big Sky families. She will be part time for the rest of December and will join us full time in January! We are so excited to have her join the MLC team!

We would like to say *farewell* to **Ms. Tanya Johnson** who worked as a Teacher's Aide in our Infant Program. Ms. Tanya had decided it is in the best interest to stay home with her little one. We will miss her dearly here at MLC!

