

# GVCC NEWS

Greater Visions Children's Center

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Families,

Thanks to all the families that returned the NAEYC surveys in to the office. If you still haven't, be sure to fill one out in the hall and turn it in. This is one of the ways we can learn how to better serve our wonderful families.

Thanks to the FIC group for planning the family event to go bowling last month. The photos in the hall show everyone having a great time together.

School vacation week is this month. Be sure to let us know of any schedule changes your child may be having during that week. If your child is a school-ager, please let us know if & when your child/ren will be joining us. Thank you.

Be on the lookout for a letter explaining some new state regulations & Naeyc standards that we will be following. One of the new regulations that we must follow is that adults & children must wash hands upon entering the center. It is a way to stop the spread of germs to our children. We also must remember to remove our shoes upon entering the infant room. It is imperative that we all follow this rule to give our young learners a clean environment to explore in.

As always if you have any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to come and speak with me or leave me a note in the tuition box.

Communication is the KEY!

Miss Dany

## Enrichment Classes

Tuesday - Spanish (AM)  
Tae Kwon Do (AM & PM S/A)

Wednesday - Spanish (AM)

Thursday - Cardiokids (AM)  
Gymnastics (PM)

Friday - Taekwondo (AM)

## Outdoor Time

Just a reminder that it is time to bring in snow pants, boots, hats, & mittens (labeled with child's name). We want to make sure that the children are comfortable during their much needed outdoor time. Please label all items that are brought into the center. We go outside at least once a day, even when it snows. If the temp is 30 degrees or below, teachers will make a choice based on the age of their group, whether or not to take the kids out. Our teachers have the option to go to the gym room in lieu of outdoor time.

## Fundraiser Spotlight

This month we are holding our annual Scholastic Book Fair. It will be going on from Mon. Feb.7<sup>th</sup>-Fri. Feb.18<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to purchase a book, please take it and bring the money to Dany.

If she is not available, please make sure your child's teacher writes the title of the book and you can pay her for it the next day. We hope everyone takes advantage of the wonderful book this fair has to offer. This fair is open to the public, so bring a friend.

Scholastic will donate new books to our center, depending on the amount of books that are bought. Thank you for participating in this fun event!

## REMEMBER

\* Illness: Our 24 hours free of all symptoms (without fever reducing medicine) must be followed by ALL FAMILIES in order keep our center healthy!

## INFANT ROOM

Happy February everyone! Last month we enjoyed making our sparkly snowflakes. This month we will be making love bugs. Our projects can be found outside our door. Have a super month!

Miss Linda & Miss Donna

### TODDLER TOWN

In Toddler 1, we have had so much fun with doing sensory activities. We played with shaving cream. We played with snow. We tasted hot cocoa & marshmallows. We can't wait for our Valentine's party. Be sure to check out the new handsome face on our All About Me board!

In Toddler 2, we had so much fun playing in the snow! We even tried to make a snowman. We had a ball climbing the climber and going down the slide to land in snow. So fun!

Miss Lindsey, Miss Tiffani, Miss Cheryl, & Miss Carla

### PRESCHOOL 1

The preschoolers are having a great start to the new year. They are doing an excellent job focusing on the alphabet & tracing & figuring out words for each letter. This month we will be celebrating Valentine's Day. Look for the class list in your child's cubby. We will also be learning about transportation. Have a great month!

Miss Jessica

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN

We enjoyed learning about winter last month. Mother Nature sure helped us out with that theme! This month we have been enjoying our Chinese New Year theme. The highlight of this theme has been the Chinese food taste test that we had. Be sure to see our graph in the hallway to find out what foods we liked and disliked. We are all looking forward to our Valentine's Day party! Be on the lookout for our class list for Valentine's. Have a great month!

Miss Sue

### KINDERGARTEN & SCHOOL-AGE CLUB

We have been very busy in our Kindergarten classroom. Our friends are excited for the Valentine's Party on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know of any schedule changes during school vacation week. The regular kindergarten curriculum will not happen that week. There will be no homework during school vacation week as well. It will resume the following week. Our school-agers will have a school vacation week this month. We are going to have a week of cooking fun. We are looking to make some hero subs. We will be baking some cookies. We will be making some pizza muffins. We are planning some taste testing as well.

Miss Christine & Miss Nancy

### Our Core Value of this Month is: Responsibility

In books like Sachiko Means Happiness (Kimiko Sakai) and Swimmy (Leo Lionni), the child has a sense of duty (responsibility) to willingly fulfill the tasks he or she has accepted or has been assigned. Work is conscientiously performed. "Members of the community feel comfortable asking for help and agree that they must be held accountable for their behavior." (Boyer, p.184)

Character Building by Carroll, Gladhart, & Peterson

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## Dates to remember

\*Mon. Feb.7<sup>th</sup>-Fri.Feb.11<sup>th</sup> Scholastic Book Fair

\*Wed. Feb.16<sup>th</sup> Chelmsford Public School : Early Dismissal @ 11:45am

\*Thu. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> , 9am-6pm: F.I.C. hosts Bake Sale!

\*Fri. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, @ 5:00pm, Family Involvement Committee Meeting

\*Fri. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-? Family Movie Night. Movie TBA

\*Mon. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, GVCC Closed in observance of President's Day

\*Mon. Feb.21<sup>st</sup>-Fri. Feb.25<sup>th</sup> Chelmsford Public Closed for February Vacation

\*Sat. Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:30, FIC family event: Ice Skating, Outdoor Skating Rink, Chelmsford St., Rain date:

## FYI

We've been posting upcoming events and center happenings on Facebook. Hit the "like" option to our page and you will be updated automatically when new things are being added to our facebook page. This is a great way to get a quick update of what's going on at your child's school. Please remember that NO ONE is allowed to post any photos of our GVCC students unless a parent has given written consent. Thank you so much. Hope to see you on Facebook!