



Jo Sheppard Newsletter



JANUARY 2017

Classes Resume: Wednesday,
January 4th, 2017

Clases Comienzan: Miércoles
Enero 4, 2017

Early Release Days:

01/04 01/11 01/18 01/25

Salida Temprano:

01/04 01/11 01/18 01/25

Next Parent Meeting:

January 12th @ 5:00 pm

Speaker: Pam Coffman

Museum Of Deland

Junta de Padres:

Enero 12 @ 5:00 pm

Invitado: Pam Coffman

Museo de Deland

Parent Engagement Activity:

January 13th @ 7:45 am

Actividad de Padres:

Enero 13 @ 7:45 am

Parent Night Activity:

January 25th @ 6:00 pm

Actividad Nocturna para

los padres:

Enero 25 @ 6:00 pm

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From the Desk of Dr. Marcy Guddemi

Child Development Specialist

Dear Parents:

Let's make January perfect attendance month for your child! The research on being absent finds that chronic absenteeism in preschool can predict chronic absenteeism in the later grades. Frequent absenteeism puts children at risk for academic underachievement. For example, one study found that about 25 percent of students who were chronically absent in Pre-K and Kindergarten were retained in later grades, compared to only nine percent of their regularly attending peers. Your child is learning important things at Head Start and if he/she is not here, then it is lost learning.

What can you do to help your child stay well so he/she can attend school every day? Washing hands frequently at home is one thing you can do. When children arrive at school, the first thing they do is wash their hands. We also wash hands frequently throughout the day: before breakfast and lunch, after using the restroom, and when returning after outdoor play time. Follow the same routine at home. Have your child wash his/her hands every time you come home, always before each meal or snack, after toileting, and before bedtime. Washing hands can be fun! Sing, "This is the way we wash our hands, wash our hands, wash our hands. This is the way we wash our hands, all day long!" By the way, the more times you wash your hands, the less chance you have of being sick yourself this season!

Here's to a happy healthy New Year for you and your family!

Queridos Padres:

Hagamos que la asistencia para su hijo en el mes de enero sea perfecta! Una investigación realizada sobre estar ausente encuentra que el ausentismo crónico en el pre-escolar puede predecir el ausentismo crónico en años posteriores. El ausentismo frecuente pone a los niños en riesgo de bajo rendimiento académico. Por ejemplo, un estudio encontró que alrededor del 25 por ciento de los estudiantes que estaban crónicamente ausentes en Pre-escolar y Kindergarten fueron retenidos en grados posteriores, en comparación con solamente el 9 por ciento de sus compañeros que asisten regularmente. Su hijo está aprendiendo cosas importantes en Head Start y si él/ella no está presente, entonces se pierde el aprendizaje.

¿Qué puede hacer para mantener a su hijo saludable y que pueda asistir a la escuela todos los días? Lavarse las manos con frecuencia en la casa es una cosa que puede hacer. Cuando los niños llegan a la escuela, lo primero que hacen es lavarse las manos. También nos lavamos las manos con frecuencia durante todo el día: antes del desayuno y almuerzo, después de usar el baño, y al regresar de jugar al aire libre. Siga la misma rutina en casa. Pídale a su niño que se lave las manos cada vez que regrese a casa, siempre antes de cada comida o refrigerio, después de ir al baño y antes de acostarse. ¡Lavarse las manos puede ser divertido! Cantar: "¡Esta es la manera que nos lavamos las manos, nos lavamos las manos, nos lavamos las manos. Esta es la manera que nos lavamos las manos, todo el día!". Por cierto, mientras más veces te laves las manos, menos posibilidades tienes de estar enfermo en esta temporada.

¡Que este Año Nuevo sea uno feliz y saludable para usted y su familia!



Marcy Guddemi, PhD, MBA

Policy Council UPDATE of December 2016 Meeting

The December Policy Council meeting was held on Tuesday, December 13th at 10:00 am via video conference. Fourteen policy council members (12 parents and 2 community partner members) were present.

The following persons were approved for hire:

- ◆ Dawnelle Noles, Program Substitute – Volusia (East side)
- ◆ Yeymary Gordian, Center Aide – Coleman Center, Volusia (West side)

The following reports were approved:

Budget and Credit Cards, Enrollment/Attendance, Meals and Snacks, Service Area and Center. Three parent activity requests were approved.

The Galileo Outcomes Analysis Report and six new educational procedures were reviewed.

The next Policy Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 10:00 am. It will be a face to face meeting in Leesburg.

Three decorated doors representing the Three Kings. The first door on the left is for Gaspar, featuring a king with a white beard, orange robe, and a crown with red jewels. The middle door is for Baltasar, featuring a king with a green beard, black robe, and a crown with blue jewels. The third door on the right is for Melchor, featuring a king with a white beard, red robe, and a gold crown. Each door has a blue background with white stars and a yellow nameplate at the bottom.

To begin the New Year we will be talking about how people celebrate the New Year in other countries. We also going to talk about Winter and how our Winter is different from other places. We will be talking about animals, we will find the differences between land animals and water animals. We will keep practicing writing our name, number skills and alphabet skills.

Ms Lizzette & Ms Lorena

Numbers 1 to 20

Ms Joseline & Ms Maria Eva

Letters and Sounds

From the Family Advocate

Here we begin a new year, new projects, new goals; with an emphasis on continue to growth on being a better person, and remaining to be an example for our children. Happy New Year 2017!

Just a reminder, your child's attendance at school makes a big difference in their academic performance; bring your child to school on time. I would like to thanks to all parents for their attendance at our Parent Meeting, Parent Training and Family Engagement Activity with your child; your participation is very important to us.

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



If you has made any changes in your address or phone, please let me know so I can inform your child's teacher and update your child's file. Keep your child's medical records (physical exam, immunization record, dental) updated.



Un nuevo año, nuevos proyectos, nuevas metas; mantengamos la disposición de seguir creciendo como mejores personas y continuar siendo un ejemplo para nuestros niños. ¡Feliz Año 2017! Les quiero hacer recordar que la asistencia de su niño a la escuela, marca una gran diferencia en su rendimiento académico; tráigalo a tiempo.

Quisiera agradecer a todos los padres por su asistencia a la reunión de padres, entrenamiento educativo, y a las actividades con sus niños; su participación es muy importante para nosotros.

Si usted ha hecho algún cambio de su dirección o teléfono, por favor déjemelo saber para informárselo a la maestra de su niño y también para actualizar el archivo de su niño. Mantenga

Parent Engagement Activity / Actividad de Padres

