



Live and Learn Early Learning Center Family News

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Muddy Weather- It's that time of year when the ground is thawing making things muddy! Classrooms go outside every day. Your child will get muddy. Please bring in some extra clothes for them to change into.

Kindergarten and First Grade Registration- Starting on March 1st parents may pick up Kindergarten and First grade registration packets at Mast Way (603-659-3001) and Moharimet (603-742-2900) from 8:30-4 Monday-Friday.

Staff Update: All the teachers at Live & Learn attended training by Sexual Assault Support Services to network about prevention curriculum and setting all children up for success. Jo & Sarah trained a local center on Diversity in the classroom.

NAEYC Family surveys- We are in need of more families to fill out the NAEYC family surveys!! Please hand one in if you haven't already.

Recipe of the week(made by toddlers): Carrot

Cookies

½ cup of margarine	1 cup granulated sugar
1 large egg	1 cup cooked mashed carrot
1/3 cup milk	1 tspn vanilla
2 cups all purpose flour	2 tspn baking powder
1 tspn ground cinnamon	¼ tspn salt
2 cups quick cooking rolled oats (not instant)	1 cup raisins

(For a little extra bite try adding ¼ cup of minced crystallized



ginger!)

Directions: cream margarine and sugar in a large bowl. Add egg. Beat well. Add carrot, milk and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Combine next 4 ingredients in small bowl. Add to margarine mixture in 2 additions, mixing well after each addition until no dry flour remains. Add rolled oats and raisins. Mix well. Drop, using 1 tblspn for each, about 2 inches apart onto greased cookie sheets. Bake in 375 oven for 12-15 minutes until golden. Remove to wire racks to cool completely.

Live and Learn Fundraiser- Red Sox tickets for \$55 and that includes transportation down to Boston! We have an amazing opportunity thanks to Jay

Pinnsonault and his tour business to attend the August 4th 7:00 pm game together as a Live & Learn group. See the office for details.

Parenting and Family Programs March 2010- Please see the attached sheet from Families first offering parenting classes and groups like: Helping Kids Deal with Worries and Fears and Mother to Mother Postpartum Group

If we need to close early due to the weather: we will send out emails (if we have power), have it announced on the radio (WHEB, WOKQ, WTSN, and Channel 9 TV).



Wish List: Preschool 1 would love some simple baking mixes. Kindergarten could use some spare warm hats and mittens and extra pants. The center would love some more snow shoes kid or adult sized for our outdoor adventures. Preschool 2 would love 2 small step stools and a waste basket to put by their desk, tape recorders, flat screen monitors, microscope, plastic chop sticks, puzzles with 20-60 pieces!

Webpage: Check out the webpage-there are new pictures up and March calendars!

News from the last week: Infants: We would like to thank Preschool for making pancakes for us on Pancake day. They were delicious. We explored with boxes this week. We climbed in and out of them and filled them and then dumped them.

Toddlers: Toddlers were busy busy this week. We painted with glitter, did some stamping, painted snow storms and made tissue paper flowers. We also made some bird feeders and did water play. It was a fun rainy week. **Preschool Older Group:** The rain did not stop us from having a fun and exciting week. We enjoyed some delicious choc chip pancakes on national Pancake Day. We had a special guest come in and read to us – thank you to Aidan and his mom for making



pancake day very special.

We has an awesome game of gym hockey (better known as ice hockey by the kids) We even went on a field trip to garrison elementary. Rylen and her dad invited us, Rylen wanted us to see where her dad works. Other exciting activities we did this week was to work on our cutting skills, being creative with model magic, exploring a block of ice, singing, dancing, and talking about our feelings – WOW what a full week!



Preschool Younger Group: Car painting, story time-

the preschoolers got to take turns holding the books. We have been using our new play dough a lot. Puzzles and dress up have been favorites too. Michelle even brought Hoppy, the rabbit, in for a visit. **Kindergarten:** went to IHOP for International Pancake Day. We continued our own winter Olympics! Check out all the documentation on the walls of the staircase to see all this past week's events. **Afterschool:** We LOVE February vacation week!!!! We've gone sledding, ice skating and snow shoeing. We even went to IHOP for International Pancake Day. We made a volcano, Mt Macoodie, constructed houses and started our own line of duct tape wallets. Albert taught us a new card game called spoons. Dora and Katie played in the final game of our UNO bracket challenge – congrats to both girls.



Thank you for sharing your family with us!