

The Little Mud Puddles Learning Center

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VALENTINE'S DAY AT LMP:

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Thursday, February 14th. This party is for children only. Please sign up outside your child's classroom to bring goodies that the teachers have asked for. Please remember **NO** candies, nuts or small toys.

Also the children will be exchanging Valentine's Day cards during the Valentine's Day's event. These cards can be purchased at your local grocery store, Target, Walmart, The Dollar Store, etc. Some can be printed off websites. ***The front of the envelope should be left blank*** as the children will be going to each other's self decorated Valentine's box or bag and dropping it in. If you have any questions, please see your child's teacher or the front office.



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Upcoming Events

- ◆ **President's Day Closed – Feb. 18th**
- ◆ **Closed March 1, 2019 for our 1st Aid/CPR , Sexual Harassment Classes**

Dear Parents

When you take your child to the doctor it will be very helpful if *you* tell us what your child is being seen for so that we are aware.

We can respect the confidentiality of your doctor not wanting to put it on the school notes, but it is not helping us when we are trying to access the illnesses of many children or just a couple.

Please also keep in mind that it is the policy of Little Mud Puddle's not the doctor to determine if a child can return to school in some

instances such as: if rashes have fluid inside, if illnesses such as Hand, Foot & Mouth are healed enough to return, or when a child with diarrhea can return to school, or perhaps a child with lice who may not return until completely nit free, etc.

We feel terrible when we have to exclude your child for whatever reason we feel is important to protect other children and staff. And we do feel terrible when you have to miss work.

But we are pretty sure you would want to know which illnesses are going around. And it is important to us to keep you informed.

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR 2019

January 1st – 4th – Closed for the New Year's Holiday

January 21st – Closed for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

February 18^h – Closed for President's Day

March 1st – Closed to renew our Pediatric/CPR 1st Aid certificates

April 19th – Closed for Good Friday/Easter

May 24th – Closed for DRDP Parent/Teacher Conference

May 27th – Closed for Memorial Day

July 4th & 5th – Closed for Fourth Of July Holiday

August 23rd – Closed for Staff Development Day & Clean up

September 2nd – Closed in Observance of Labor Day

September 27th – Ages & Stages Parent & Teacher Conference

November 11th – Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day

November 22nd – Closed for the DRDP Parent/Teacher Conference

November 27th, 28th, 29th – Closed in Observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

December 23rd – 27th – Closed for the Christmas Holiday

This list is subject to change and you will be notified in advance. We will update with the 2019 dates soon.

LATE DROP OFF/PICK-UP FEES:

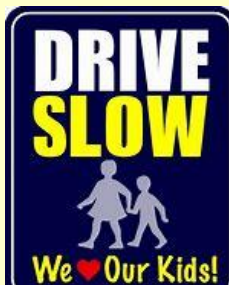
Late fees for dropping off children at 9:11 a.m. or 6:31 p.m. is \$20 for every 15 minutes you are late. If you do not tell us a day in advance of a doctor/dental appointment you will be charged. If you need to take your child to the doctor/dentist, provide us with a doctor's note. Keep in mind that we do not accept children after 12 noon.

Please sign in upon arrival, drop off your child and leave. The longer you linger the harder it is for your child and also other parents are waiting for parking spaces.



Don't forget jackets! We go outside twice a day for fresh air weather permitting.

**DRIVE SLOW
IN THE
PARKING LOT
PLEASE.**



CHINESE NEW YEAR

Chinese New Year is the Chinese festival that celebrates the beginning of a new year on the traditional Chinese calendar. The festival is usually referred to as the Spring Festival in mainland China, and is one of several Lunar New Years in Asia. Observances traditionally take place from the evening preceding the first day of the year to the Lantern Festival, held on the 15th day of the year. The first day of Chinese New Year begins on the new moon that appears between January 21st and February 20th. In 2019, the first day of the Chinese New Year was on Tuesday, February 5th, initiating the Year of the Pig.

CALL IN REMINDER:

PARENTS *must* call or email us when their child is going to be out. We are having *too* many parents who have not been calling when their child is out. Do not leave a message on our recorder. As per policy you must call or email us by 9:00 a.m. if your child is not coming in.

If your child needs to go to the doctor/dentist please let us know a day in advance or you will be

charged late fees. If your child needs to be seen on the same morning, you need to bring a doctor's note so that you do not incur late fees. We do not take children *after* 12:00 noon.



PARKING:

- To prevent having to deal with our parking issues, arrive early **before** 8:45 a.m.
- Parents may no longer park in the morning against the curb in front of Rooms 1 and 2. This area is for those waiting for a parking spot.
- Do not park in the handicap space unless you have a handicap placard or license plate.
- For safety, please do not pass cars who are waiting for a parking spot.
- If you see any parent not following our parking policy, please email us with the description of the car and parent. We will charge \$25 for those who families who are not

following our parking rules.

- **Please** stay off your phones until you have left our parking lot. Other parents are waiting to park. Please – no visiting with other parents or teachers in the morning. Parents are waiting for your spot. You may always email or call us if you need to convey info to teachers.
- You may not leave your child in the car while you go inside and sign them in. Your child must be with you or you are considered late.

Also, you may not leave your child in the building while going to put another child in the car. Children may not be unattended either way for obvious safety reasons.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH:



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Black History Month is a time to pay homage to our great ancestors, their lifelong struggles, and influence on the liberties we have obtained.



REMINDER: CLOSED FOR PEDIATRIC 1ST AID/CPR -

We will be closed on Friday, March 1st for the renewal of our Pediatric First Aid/CPR certification. These classes are necessary to prepare us for emergencies and to update any new techniques. We are also taking a Sexual Harassment class as mandated by State Law.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

ANANYA ANANTH

MISS ANNE

AYAN BALACHANDRAN

MISS GAYLE M

AVVAY LINGAM

MISS ELIZABETH

HANISH PODDUTURI

NAVYA SHAH

