



Why You Should Hug Your Kids
When They Are Being Horrible
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I am fed up. I am totally over the outbursts, and the defiance, and the ‘you can’t make me’, and the slammed doors.

The last thing I feel like doing is hugging him, but I do it anyway. But why?

1. They learn better with love, than with punishment.
2. When our kids act out, it is a cry for help.
3. They feel like they don’t deserve kindness and respect so they don’t behave in a way that encourages people to give it to them.
4. One of the best ways to get our kids to co-operate is to connect.
5. Our love for our kids is unconditional.
6. Sometimes it is us adults who need a hug.

So next time when everyone is frustrated and you or your child is losing it... offer a hug because a simple hug is the best response for a kid behaving badly.

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Special points of Interest

- ⊗ Hug Your Kids
- ⊗ Classroom updates
- ⊗ Employee of the Month
- ⊗ Jingle Bell Craft

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Please check your child’s parent folder every day. There is important information there! Also, make sure your child always has a change of clothes and pull-ups, if necessary. Thank You!

Pixie Butterflies

We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families. We have finished our exploration of colors so be sure to look for your own copy of "Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do You See?" coming to your child's folder soon. We will begin enjoying the different themes of the holidays this month. Please be sure to check your child's folder daily and join us for the Holiday Performance.

-Ms. Stacy & Ms. Stephanie



Elf Butterflies



We will be doing lots of fun seasonal activities including our holiday show. Your children are excited and are looking forward to seeing you in the audience on December 15th. We wish you a warm, wonderful holiday season among family and friends.

-Ms. Jessica & Ms. Beryl

Julia Butterflies

Welcome to December! This month, we will be building relationship skills with our friends. We will do this through STEM and sensory activities inside and outside. Please remember to bring an extra set of clothes to keep in your child's cubby. Homework is due back every Tuesday. We invite you to attend our Holiday Program and hope to see you there!

-Ms. Vicky & Ms. Naomi



Buttercup Butterflies



We are looking forward to our Holiday Program this month. We will also be doing a lot of STEM & sensory activities. Please remember to bring back library books and homework every Monday.

-Ms. Paige & Ms. Lauren

Employee of the Month

Ms. Naomi

Ms. Naomi joined our school family in July of this year. She is a wonderful VPK teacher. Her easy-going, positive attitude is a blessing to have! She works with all of her students at their individual levels to ensure that their needs are being met at a pace that is comfortable for them. Ms. Naomi is consistent and loving and we are so happy to have her here! Congratulations to Ms. Naomi!



DECEMBER EVENTS

**Ms. Amy's 6th Anniversary– December 7th
&
Ms. Paige's Birthday– December 21st
Ms. Lauren's Birthday– December 23rd
Ms. Heather's Birthday– December 27th**

Ms. Dara returns December 11th!

Jingle Bell Christmas Craft

This is a very inexpensive and wonderful holiday craft to make. You can pick up most items from your local dollar store. Time to jingle all the way!

Here's what you'll need:

Styrofoam cup
Green pipe cleaner
Paint or markers to decorate your cup
Jingle bells

1. Paint or decorate the cup and allow to dry.
2. Poke two small holes in the bottom of the cup and thread the pipe cleaner through the holes forming a loop.
3. Make your loop the size you want it and on the inside the cup, twist your pipe cleaner so the loop will remain stationary.
4. Thread the jingle bell through one end of the pipe cleaner. If your pipe cleaner is long cut a little off the end. Wrap the two ends of the pipe cleaner around each other to secure the bell.



Important Dates To Remember

Holiday program will be December 15th, first show at 4:30PM and second show at 5:00PM.

WPDN will be closed Monday, December 25th and Tuesday, December 26th in observance of Christmas. And, Monday January 1st for New Years.

Non-VPK Days are Friday, December 22nd to Friday, January 5th. VPK ONLY students are not to attend school.

Super Supper

Ham Steaks with Macaroni & Cheese and Green Beans
Wed, December 13th

*Chicken Salad
\$5 per 1lb Friday,
December 22nd*

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