

# 12 Little Things That Mean A Lot to Kids

- 1. Go for a walk with one child.
- 2. Build your own Minecraft world alongside theirs.
- 3. Say "yes" to something usually off limits, like sitting on the counter.
- 4. Hold off with the barrage of how-was-your-day questions if your child comes home grumpy and tired. You can always get the rundown at dinner.
- 5. Start your own rituals and traditions: Taco Tuesdays, Sundayafternoon bike ride, apple picking every fall.
- 6. Ask your kid to teach you how to do something for a change. And once you get the hang of it, be sure to tell them what a good teacher they were.
- 7. Let your child overhear you saying something wonderful about them.
- 8. Stay up late to see the full moon.
- 9. Don't be in a hurry to tell your kid to let it go. They need to vent too.
- 10. Cook heart-shaped pancakes for breakfast.
- 11. Hang a whiteboard in their room to leave messages for each other.
- 12.Go ahead: Let your 4-year-old stomp in every puddle along the way. Even without rain boots.

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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!

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## Pixie Butterflies

We hope that you had a wonderful holiday. Happy New Year! As we begin 2018, we will be exploring our five senses. At this age, our senses are our primary way of experiencing the world around us. Pixies will taste the difference between sour and sweet, touch soft and rough surfaces along with hearing soft and loud sounds. As you are out and about, talk about the different sights, sounds, and tastes that you encounter together.

-Ms. Stacy & Ms. Stephanie



## Clf Butterflies



We so very much enjoyed spending time with your children in 2017. We have and will continue to build our school family relationships, learning to cooperate, share and be kind. It is a joy to be apart of your child's day and we wish you all a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!

-Ms. Jessica & Ms. Beryl

## Julia Butterflies

We would like to say Happy New Year and welcome you into 2018. This month we will be talking about winter and hibernation. We will continue to learn through stem and sensory activities as well. Please remember to continue practicing your child's name and cutting.

-Ms. Vicky & Ms. Naomi



# Buttercup Butterflies



We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and a great new year. With the new year upon us we look forward to bringing the scents of cinnamon and pine in to the room for our sensory bin. We will continue to bring new stem and sensory projects in to the classroom as well as talking about winter and hibernation.

-Ms. Paige & Ms. Lauren

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# **Employee of the Month**

# Ms. Destiny

Ms. Destiny has been a wonder-ful addition to our school family. She came to WPDN after working on internship hours. Her love and patience shows everyday when she's working with any age group. She is an amazing woman with a big heart. Congratulations on Employee of the Month!





- Ms. Ali's 13th Work Anniversary, January 3rd as well as her Birthday on January 4th.
- Ms. Megan will be going on maternity leave January 31st.



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## High Five to a New Year Craft

This is a very inexpensive and fun thing to do with your children. It can also be something you do every year as a keep-sake—or for as long as their feet fit on the paper!

### Here's what you'll need:

Construction Paper Markers Washable Paint Glitter Your Child's Hand

- 1. Put paint on your child's palm and fingers.
- 2. Place your child's hand on the paper to create the middle of the fireworks. You can put as many as you would like.

3. Before the paint dries, sprinkle glitter on the paint to give it a

neat effect.

- 4. With your markers, draw lines coming out from the hand print to give it the fire work illusion.
- 5. Write Happy New Year 2018!
- 6. Put it on the fridge or in a frame to hang it on the wall.



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2018 Happy New Year!

# Important Dates To Remember

WPDN will be closed Monday, January 1st for New Years Day and Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Non-VPK Days are Tuesday, January 2nd through Friday, January 5th. VPK ONLY students are not to attend school.

#### Super Supper

Award Winning Black Bean Chili with cornbread.

Pick-up Wednesday, January 17th

\$5.00 each
Feeds 1 adult and 2
children.
Sign-up at front
desk.

#### Mission:

The Winter Park Day Nursery provides a secure, nurturing and educational environment that is affordable and supports family diversity.

#### Vision:

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