



Little Lakers Gazette



CEC Upcoming Events

- **Jan. 3rd-6th:** *Sign up week;* Sign up sheet is located on the communication desk. You will only be charged for the days you sign up for.
- **Jan. 9th:** *GV classes begin and CEC contracts resume*
- **Jan. 20th:** *Date Night;* Free childcare from 6-8:00pm. The kids will have dinner and play games while you have a couple hours to go out to dinner! The sign-up sheet will be on the communication cabinet.

Meet a CEC Teacher

Ms. Kailee started working at the center this past fall and has been a wonderful addition to our CEC team. She is seeking a degree in Elementary Education and Math. This past semester Ms. Kailee was primarily with P1 this past semester and will be returning this semester into the P1 classroom for the afternoon. Learn more about Ms. Hailey by reading her staff profile on the communication cabinet.

What has been happening at the CEC?

December seemed to go by so quickly with the sign up weeks and holiday break! There were many nice sunny days where we were able to get some extra time in outside and then some really cold days where we chose to have limited time outside or stay inside. You never know with the weather in Michigan. We really enjoyed seeing the many families who attended our Holiday party and enjoyed spending that extra time with you. Thank you for attending! We hope you and your families had a wonderful holiday break and were able to get enough rest and we look forward to seeing everyone again.

We are excited to be back and are looking forward to all that will come in January.

With a new semester brings a new schedule. The assistant teacher's will have a slightly different schedule to work around the new semester's class schedule but we look forward to most of our staff returning. We are sad to say good bye to Ms. Kelly and Ms. Nicole who recently graduated from GVSU and will be moving on looking for their careers. We wish them luck in their future!

Children's Enrichment Center News

Thank you to Families!

Thank you to all of our families for your support. Also, thank you to the families who were able to choose a snowman from our wishing tree and donate the item. We really appreciate your generosity and help in providing the donated items to help replace broken or older items and also to help restock our shelves with items to help further the learning of our CEC children. Thank you!



Happy New Year!

Reminders

During the winter months the CEC will always go outside two times a day; one time around 11:30 prior to lunch and again at 4:00. The CEC will not take the children outside if the temperature or wind chill is at or below 0°. Staff will always take into consideration how much time the children spend outside according to how cold it is and at times may only spend up to ten minutes outside. Even if brief the fresh air and ability to let out some energy is very beneficial to the children. The CEC staff will always make sure that each child is dressed with the clothing that is being provided from home. If their clothing is wet from an earlier time outside the CEC does have some extra winter clothing and will make sure the children are fully clothed in winter gear.

Please note that we also do our best to remember who owns what clothing and try to keep each child's possessions within their own cubby but things do fall out and get moved around. Please help the CEC staff by labeling your child's clothing and belongings with their name so that we can place it back in the appropriate cubby and make sure that the items return to the rightful owner.

Please make sure to bring a pair of shoes for your child in addition to their boots. This helps allow for the classroom floors to be dry and mud free.