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UTC Children's Center Battle Academy

Infants

Dear families,

I hope everyone had a nice November! Last month, we learned more about the healthy foods we can eat! We also painted some Thanksgiving art with turkeys. I think they had a lot of fun with it! And some of the class even got to try some sweet potato puree!

Since the first day of winter starts on the 21st, our unit for this month will be all about winter! We'll be learning more about snow, ice, snowmen, and winter clothing. I would also like to give a warm welcome to Sofi and her family as she will be starting December 12th! We're so glad to have you join us!

Remember that we are off for winter break from December 23rd through January 2nd. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Ms. Becca or me. I hope everyone has a delightful December and Happy Holidays! Thank you!

-Ms. Kelly & Ms. Becca

Young Toddlers

Dear Parents,

During the month of December, we will be concentrating on packages, stamps, and mail; wrapping paper and boxes. We will be mailing letters to your home so please check the mail with your toddler. Your toddlers will notice an increase in the arrival of packages in the mail or by delivery to the door and will spend a great deal of time wondering what all those boxes, packages and cards are for. We are going to have lots of fun shaking, rattling, and opening packages and boxes as well as making letters/cards for family.



The month of December is a very hectic month for families. Here are a few suggestions for dealing with your little one during this time.

Try to keep their schedule as close to normal as possible, naps and bedtimes especially. Remember even if they don't sleep, resting quietly in your arms or on a cushion will rejuvenate them almost as well as a true nap.

Expect your baby to be shy at parties or family gatherings, even with people they know. Give them a little time before asking for hugs and kisses from people especially from people they don't know well. Have FUN!!

Thanks,

Ms. Ann and Mr.TK



Older Toddlers



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your generous donations to the Room in the Inn!

For the month of December, we will be discussing families. The Older Toddlers will learn all about their favorite things and all about their families, so we may be sending things home to work on or asking you to bring things to school. We will need some family photos too.

We will end the month with a week of fairy tales.

Thank you for your support!

Ms. Amy

Preschool

Dear Parents,

For the month of December, Preschool will be learning about different holidays around the world. We will also be working on various holiday projects.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! PJs and Pancakes was a big hit...Preschoolers sure do love their pancakes!! A big thank you to all the parents and children for your generous donations that were collected for the Room in the Inn. Our caring and sharing project was a great success.

As the holidays approach, I would like to thank all the Preschool parents for your continued support. Wishing each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Ms. Jean



Pre-K

Keep an eye out for exciting updates from Ms. Anna!

UTC Children's Center Brown Academy

Administrative Specialist

Parents,

I do morning snack between 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Please gently knock on the window to Preschool 2 during this time.

If your child will not be in attendance, please contact the center at (423) 498-6875 or your child's teacher by 9:00 a.m.

Thank you.

Jackie

Infants

I can't believe the year is almost over! This month we will have several friends transitioning to Toddler 1; it is always a bittersweet time. Please let me know if you have any questions about this process.

We will be talking about holidays and traditions this month.

I wanted to remind everyone that we will be closed on December 23rd-January 2nd and reopen on January 3rd; this is different from the original closing date we had.

I hope everyone has an awesome winter break!!

Katie

Toddler 1

Keep an eye out for exciting updates from Ms. Emily

Toddler 2

Hi Toddler 2 families,

Thank you for sharing your child with us and for all of your support throughout the year!

December is going to bring many fun lessons. We will be learning about gingerbread men, and winter holidays and traditions around the world while adding in a lot of fun along the way.

The UTC Children's Center will be CLOSED December 23-January 2 for the winter holidays.



We are required to spend an hour outside each day unless the temperature is below 32 degrees or storming. Please be sure that your child has appropriate outdoor clothing.

If your child is going to be out at any time during the holidays give us a heads up. This helps us keep track of lunches and helps us plan our day. As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Ms. Jasmine, Ms. Jennifer, and Ms. Shawn

Preschool 1

Dear Preschool One Families,

We hope you all had a great Thanksgiving holiday! November was quite a whirl-wind, and it's hard to believe the year is almost over. In November, we had fun learning about nocturnal animals, being thankful, and Thanksgiving.

In December, we will learn about animals in winter, different holidays we can celebrate around this time of year, like Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanza, and New Year's. It's always a fun time of year, and we can't wait to celebrate with the kids! If you have any special traditions you do at home, let us know so we can talk about them in class!

Reminders:

Please bring weather appropriate clothes, in case of accidents or spills, now that cold temperatures are here. Also, please bring your children in warm clothes with jackets. We go outside at 10:30, and it can be quite chilly!

The Center will be **closed December 23rd-January 2nd** for winter break and New Year's Day.

We look forward to a great month, and if you have any questions please let us know!

-Ms. Beth and Ms. Ashley



Preschool 2

We had so much fun learning about manners, turkey, and all about Thanksgiving in the month of November.

In the month of December we will be learning about Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, holidays around the world, and gingerbread! We will also be having our holiday party on Friday, December 16th!



Pre-K Downstairs and Upstairs



Dear Pre-K Parents,

It is hard to believe that it is already the end of the year! December is a busy month! We will be learning about different cultures and celebrations this month. If you would like to come discuss some of your own cultural traditions this month, please let us know! We will also spend a week on The Gingerbread Man story. This is always so much fun because we get to make gingerbread cookies and gingerbread houses. There will be a sign-up list posted, if you would like to

help by bringing in supplies for this.

Here are a few reminders for this month:

The UTC Children's Center will be CLOSED Monday, December 23rd through Monday, January 2nd.

We know December is a very busy month. If your child is going to be absent, please try to let us know by 8:00 each morning.

The weather is constantly changing. We are required to spend 1 hour per day outside, unless it is below 32°. Please try to bring a jacket with your child or keep one at school.



If the Children's Center closes/delays for snow or other inclement weather, you will receive a UTC text alert, if you signed up for these. It will also be posted on Bloomz/Procure, on the UTC website, and on the local news. **Remember, we close/delay with UTC, NOT Hamilton County.**

Happy Holidays!

Thank you,

Ms. Jennifer and Ms. Shawn



Lunch Box Catering
Donna Laster 423-802-1938
Donnalaster@epbfi.com

December UTC Lunch Menu

27	28 Ham and Cheese Slider Baked Beans Apples Milk	29 Creamy Chicken Brown Rice Casserole Carrots Bananas Milk	30 Beef a Roni Corn Oranges Milk	01 Chicken ala King Peas Bananas Milk	02 Chicken Patty on Slider Bun Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	03
04	05 Beef and Cheese Burrito Pinto Beans Apples Milk	06 Baked Ham Mac and Cheese Green Beans Bananas Milk	07 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Carrots Oranges Milk	08 Turkey and Cheese Sliders Northern Beans Bananas Milk	09 Chicken Nuggets Biscuit Tater Tots Apples Milk	10
11	12 Ham and Cheese Rollup Baked Beans Apples Milk	13 Creamy Chicken Noodle Bake Corn Bananas Milk	14 Cheeseburger Mac Peas Oranges Milk	15 Spinach Quesadilla Pinto Beans Bananas Milk	16 BBQ Chicken on Slider Bun Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	17
18	19 Turkey and Cheese Rollup Northern Beans Apples Milk	20 Baked Ziti with Beef Corn Bananas Milk	21 Teriyaki Chicken and Brown Rice Carrots Oranges Milk	22 Cheese Pizza w/ Mozzarella Baked Beans Bananas Milk	23 Ham and Cheese Slider Pinto Beans Apples Milk	24
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December VEG Lunch Menu

27	28 Hummus and Cheese Slider Baked Beans Apples Milk	29 Creamy Chickpea Brown Rice Casserole Carrots Bananas Milk	30 Black Bean a Roni Corn Oranges Milk	01 Chickpea ala King Peas Bananas Milk	02 Veggie Patty on Slider Bun Sweet Potato Fries Apples Milk	03
04	05 Bean and Cheese Burrito Pinto Beans Apples Milk	06 Roast Veggies Mac and Cheese Green Beans Bananas Milk	07 Spaghetti with Marinara Sauce Carrots Oranges Milk	08 Cheese Sliders Northern Beans Bananas Milk	09 Veggie Nuggets Biscuit Tater Tots Apples Milk	10
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