

Phyllis Bodel Childcare Center at Yale School of Medicine, Inc.
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Calendar:

February 5: All Staff, Center opens at 8:30 am.

February 8: Dental Hygienist coming to visit Pre-School and Kindergarten. February is Dental Health Month.

February 15: Center Closed. President's Day

Parking:

We are again having a problem with parking tickets on Cedar St. and Parking on South Frontage. To quickly review:

1. On Cedar St: You are to use quarters in the metered parking.
There is 15 minute free parking spaces on Cedar St. past the Fire hydrant and after the bus drop off inlet in front of 333 Cedar up to 2 car lengths past the Nathan Smith bridge. Parents between 7:30-9:30 am and 4:30-5:30 pm may drop off/pick up on front on Cedar St. (If you get a ticket following any of these guidelines, bring me the ticket.) You have 10 minutes.
- 2: South Frontage Rd: You have up to 20 minutes in Yale Child Study Center prior to 9:30 am and after 4:30 p.m. (Use parking pass)
You have 10 minutes in the spaces marked by the loading dock for Marigolds.(Use parking pass). Parents need as a courtesy to other parents to follow these guidelines and keep their drop off and pick up times to the time allowed. It really matters.

The Office:

Thank you all for your patience as we sort through new routines. We have a book keeper, Mary Vendetto who is here on Wednesdays, Kim Sandor our Health Consultant who has been helping with the health component is here on Tuesdays and I want to thank one of our Dad's who has been helping with data entry. We are getting there and very shortly will be caught up with everything that needs to be in place for the operation of the Center. It is amazing how we come to rely on the information that we put into our computers!

Special Thank you's

To Oliver's Mom and Dad for the Beta Fish in Infant 2.

From the Beluga Room:

To Janet for the empty Bottles,

To Serena for the Barley, Eli for the onions, Theo for the carrots, Sam for the Celery, Jason for the potato's and Julia for the vegetable broth for their Stone Soup.

To Julia's Mom for the decorative snow flakes for art and for the boxes of paper..

Arya's family for the spaghetti pie recipe

From the Manatee room Thank you to:

Wendy's family for the recyclables

Alexandra's Mom for the wonderful boxes of books

Halvor's Dad for coming to talk about being an architect.

From the Office: The parents who have volunteered to help with the necessary catching up.

Our Website:

Please use our website, bodelchildcare.org for information on our storm policy, newsletters, links to other websites, calendars and for forms for Drs. visits and Care plans. You will find the website a helpful resource. Thank you to Caleb Kleppner who manages our site.

Raffle:

Last year we held our first raffle in many years. It was a huge success and we earned just over \$8,000.00. We will be holding another raffle this year on April 15, 2010 in conjunction with a children's fair and the celebration of the Week of the Young Child. At this event we will also be celebrating milestone anniversaries of teachers at the Center. We will be looking for volunteers to help with the children's fair. Those who were able to attend last year will remember it was a great evening. Please mark your calendars and watch for more information in the March Newsletter.

Notes:

It appears that we will have 6 more weeks of winter. We try to go outside everyday, twice a day. We follow the guidelines set forth for by the Iowa Department of Public Health and will go out with temperatures 19 degrees or above (actual and windchill). Please be certain that we have warm shoes (sparkly shoes though lovely will not keep feet warm.), mitten/gloves, hats and even with no snow, snow pants to keep legs warm. What is sufficient for a run in from the car is not sufficient for ½ hour outside in cold weather.

Signing in and out: The sign in sheets are required by the State Department of Public Health and part of our license. Please be certain to sign your child in and out. Just a reminder regarding the end of the day, we close at 5:30. Parents need to be out of the building by 5:30. Each parent get one "free" late a quarter. If you are late twice within a three month period the fine is \$25.00 for every 15 minutes or part of that time.

