

# KIDS FIRST News

We are proud to announce our January employee of the Month:



COURTNEY  
COLEMAN  
ECDS

Courtney was selected for this honor by her coworkers. She has worked hard while Ms. Linda has been out on leave.

Courtney is the supervising ECDS for two classrooms, 107 and 108. She has been working at KIDS FIRST Since 2007. She loves working with the toddlers in her classrooms.

Thank you so much for your hard work, Ms. Courtney!

Is there someone special you would like to see Emplo-

## Thursday Night Parenting Classes:

February 4, 2010 at 6:00  
Stress and Anger in Daily Life  
February 18, 2010 at 6:00  
Divorce

Classes are held in Rm. 112 at the Jones Center for Families in Springdale. Call 751-3463 for info.

## KIDS FIRST Wish LIST

Do you have any of these items at home your would be willing to donate to us?

Wash Clothes      Baby Swing  
Children's clothing size 2T-5, Children's vests  
Children's shoes, socks, gloves, hats, and mittens  
Ziplock bags, foil, or plastic wrap

Please call Erin with questions 750-0130

## KIDS FIRST Presents.....

PASTRIES with PARENTS!

Thursday, February 18th,  
2010

8:00-8:30am

in the Conference Room

Come have breakfast with your Child!

To attend this event:

Please RSVP to Erin at 479-750-1030 or  
coleerinc@uams.edu



## Schmieding KIDS FIRST Clinic

519 Latham Drive  
Lowell, AR  
479-750-0130

February 2010

## Things to Remember:

- ☺ **KIDS FIRST open Presidents Day!**
- ☺ **Is your child current on their well child check ups?**
- ☺ **Does your child come to school with braces and shoes on ready for therapy?**
- ☺ **Has your child received their H1N1 booster?**

Attendance is Important! We want your child to get the most out of KIDS FIRST. Studies have shown that children with good attendance demonstrate more progress. Good attendance now also establishes a routine for elementary school. Classroom and therapy time begins at 8:00am and lasts until 3:00pm. Please plan trips to the doctor and other appointments outside this time if at all possible. If your child is going to arrive at the clinic later than 8:30, please call ahead and let us know. This way we can make sure your child is included in the daily lunch count and therapy schedule. Thank you for your cooperation!

Hanger Orthotics will be here on Thursday, February 18th. If your received paperwork from your PT please make sure that it is returned to the clinic by this date!



# News from the Classrooms:

## Room 105- Waylon & Kathy

This month we are learning about feelings. In class we love to play stop and go games. At home, you can help us by taking to us about how you feel, what your are doing, and things you see around the house.



This helps us to learn more words, even though some of us are only using a few now!



## Room 120 AJ & Maurice



We are also learning about feelings this month. In class we are working on sharing with our friends and taking turns. We love play dough and art time. At home, you can help us by encouraging us to use our words when we are mad, sad, or frustrated.



## Room 122- Kristin & Jeri

We are welcoming our new friend Marty to our room! Last month we made snowflakes and snow to decorate our class tree. This month we are busy making Valentines for our parents. During circle we are reading stories about winter, learning our colors, and our shapes. At home, you can help us by reading with us and labeling pictures in books.



## Room 106- Brandi & Candace

This month we are starting to work on our shapes...especially hearts! We are working on identifying the color red. We love to sing nursery songs, paint, and play in our learning centers. At home you can help us find red objects, and remind us to share with our siblings and friends. Ms. Candace had her baby! We will be having substitutes while she is out.



## Room 121-Chad & Shannon

We are busy getting ready for kindergarten! Welcome back to Ms. Shannon! We are working on increasing our independence. You can help us at home by reminding us to put on our own, shoes, socks, and coats. During circle time we are working on shapes, colors, and our calendar.



Room 107-Courtney, Lindsey & Melissa  
In January we learned all about winter! Now we are working on nursery rhymes and signing songs. We love "Wheels on the Bus!" At home you can help us by encouraging us to use of utensils at meal times. We also are working on words and signs for "more," "eat," and "all done."



## Room 115- Kristin, Connie, & Shai

In the nursery, we are welcoming our new friends Emmett and Jillian. Lala, Vanessa, Danae, Xander, and Ayla have given up our bottles and are now using sippy cups! Braeden can sit alone now, Matthias is experimenting with new food textures. We are all growing so very fast!



## 108- Courtney & Linda

In January we learned all about winter. We made snowmen, snow flakes, and even got to play in some real snow! We've started making Valentines already. We love sensory play. We love to touch oatmeal, sand, pudding, and other various textures. At home, you can help us meet our goals by working on jumping with both feet off the ground.

