



MAGNOLIA MESSAGES

ROOM NEWS

All of the rooms will be talking about Groundhogs, Presidents, and Valentines this month.

The rooms will celebrate Valentine's Day by exchanging cards and having a party on **Monday, February 14, 2011**. See the sign up sheet in your child's room or contact KIDS FIRST at 234-1597. Remember only prepackaged items can be accepted. **Dress your child** in red or pink for the day. You will receive a note about how many cards to send with your child's name on them.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE for JANUARY

Richard, Jerrion, Jeremy, Joseph, Christain, Terry, Chad, Jayden, Kenneth, Jeremiah, Kinsley, Quantravious, & Ja'Khi

Happy Birthday

Kinsley 2/04, A'Layjah 2/10, D'Amanti 2/13, Jeremiah 2/13, & J'Veon 2/20

Staff: Shana 2/07, Cheryl 2/10, Latarsha 2/10, Kimberly 2/14, Jessica W. 2/16, & Katherine 2/25

Anniversary: Tommye 13 years

THE PARENT COLUMN

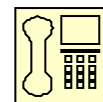


Loving is the most important thing we do for our children. **Notice** how your child likes to be loved. Come up with **ideas** that might help each child feel loved. **Try out** your ideas and notice how they work. **Ask** your children what they like to do with you. **Listen** to your children's concerns and worries. **Do little things** to show love to each child. **Appreciate** each child's efforts. Think about **what it feels like** to be that child.

Love them.

DON'T FORGET!

Call **KIDS FIRST** at 234-1597 if your child is sick or out for the day.



Attendance

Your child benefits from KIDS FIRST clinic by regular attendance to our program. Studies show that children who had fewer absences while attending an early intervention program had *higher* IQ and achievement scores and *lower* behavior problem scores at age 8 than those who did not attend. They also had better math and science scores and better language development when tested at eighteen years of age. These teenagers also demonstrated fewer risk taking behaviors (i.e. drug use, encounters with law enforcement, and teenage pregnancies). This study clearly showed the importance of early intervention and the long-term benefits it provides to children. Thank you to all parents who make the effort to bring your child to KIDS FIRST every day.



Cold weather is here! Please remember to send a jacket, hat, & gloves (with name inside) for your child to wear outside. Children will play OUTSIDE every day, weather permitting. Please send an extra set of WINTER clothes to keep in your child's cubby, too.

Things to Remember

- Is your child current on well child check up?
- Does your child come to clinic with braces and shoes, glasses, and other adaptive equipment ready for therapy?
- Has your child received their H1N1 (flu) booster?
- If your phone number or address has changed, please let us know.
- In the event of bad weather, please listen to local radio station **99.1**.