



# MAGNOLIA MESSAGES



## PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER:

Shakira, Richard, Jo'Larius, Y'Heim, Chandler, Ja'Khi, Alarious, Jeremy, Jerrion, Sea'Trio, Zyria, Keasia, Jayden J., Chad, Je'Caryeus, Sasha, Frentrell, DeMarion, Kenneth, Jayden W., Jeremiah, Kezia, Carter, Presley, Kinsley, Broderick, Quantravious, Isahia, Javarious, and Z'Nyia

**That's 30! Way to Go! Thank You Parents!**



### KIDS FIRST PARENT MEETING

Thursday, January 13 at 2:00

Shirley Hopkins, Extension Service will talk about Nutrition

## ROOM NEWS

We have said good bye to the old year and are welcoming a new. We're dreaming of white wintery days and putting on our mittens, hats, & scarves too. We are learning about polar bears and what warm clothes to wear.

We will read books like *The Red Mitten*, *The Napping House*, and *The Snowy Day*, and hope for real snow that lasts!



### Reminder:

We need a phone number where you can be reached in case of an emergency or we need to close early due to weather.

Listen to **radio 99.1** or **Channel 7** for school closings due to weather.

# Happy Birthday

**Staff:** Shirley 1/1    Shelia 1/17    Adele 1/29

**Staff Anniversary:** Linda 6 years    Jessica J. 2 year

## BITS and PIECES

Dr. Ashcraft will be here for **Clinic** on 1/11/11.

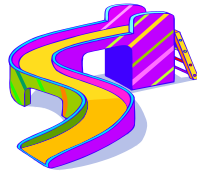
Please make sure we have **updated information** for your child regarding phone numbers, Medicaid, doctor, address, shot record, etc. Inform KIDS FIRST with any changes by calling 234-1597. Your cooperation is appreciated.

We will be **OPEN** on Martin Luthur King Day 1/17/2011.

## DON'T FORGET!

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





At KIDS FIRST, all of the children are given the opportunity to play outside every day, as long as weather and air quality conditions allow. Outdoor play provides an opportunity for learning in a different environment as well as many health benefits:

- Germs that cause infections are generally less concentrated in outside air.
- Light exposure provides children with Vitamin D.
- Open spaces encourage children to exercise and develop their gross motor skills.

You can help your child enjoy the outdoors during cold weather by dressing him/her in layers and sending a warm coat, cap, and gloves to wear, with his/her name. When the weather is too cold, we will watch your child carefully and come inside.

## Project Nurture

### Nurturing Idea for January

#### Snow Ice Cream

It's a great time to stay inside and snuggle up with your little one. But if you're lucky enough to get some snow this winter, whip up a batch of this classic treat and enjoy it with your child. If he's big enough (and you're brave enough) let him help pour and stir.

When it starts to snow, place a large, clean one-gallon bowl outside to collect the flakes. When full, stir in 1 cup sugar and 1 tbsp vanilla extract, then stir in just enough milk to get your favorite consistency. Serve at once.



#### WHAT IS PROJECT NURTURE?

**Project Nurture is KIDS FIRST's Infant Mental Health Program. Our goal is to promote the social and emotional well-being of KIDS FIRST infants, toddlers, and families through secure and nurturing relationships.**

**WELCOME** Justina Davis, CCT. Justina will begin on Monday, 1/11/2011.

**Congratulations** to Stefani and Cole Funderburg on birth of their son, Davis Quaid. He arrived before Christmas. New mom Stefani has decided to stay home with Davis and will not return to KIDS FIRST. We wish her well.