

GLCDC News * February 2013



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Happy Valentine's Day at GLCDC

Love is in the air at GLCDC! Our annual Valentine's Day party is Thursday, Feb. 14 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

We are asking \$1 per child to cover the cost of a special pizza lunch. We do not need treats or snacks that day, but you are welcome to send in Valentines and wrapped candy.

If your child wants to bring Valentines for his or her classmates, you just need to put your own child's name on each card — no need to write each classmate's name on the cards.

Pre-K students should try to write their own names on their cards. It's good practice!



Avoid bringing germs into the center: Please use hand sanitizer (located at each sign-in table) or wash your hands in the bathroom when you drop off or pick up. Thank you!

- **SANITIZER IS FOR ADULT USE ONLY**
- **NOT SAFE FOR CHILDREN!!**

100

Hip hip hooray! It's 100 days

Days and weeks of hard work, piles of papers, hours of play-time all add up to 100 days of school — hooray!

The Pre-K classes will mark 100 days of school on Friday, Feb. 8 with some special activities. Throughout the week, the Pre-K kids will be counting and measuring to 100. They will have a little extra fun on Friday, in honor of 100 days of school.

Help your Pre-K student celebrate 100 days of school ... each child should count out 100 of something and bring it to school. Legos, Cheerios, toy cars, blocks, crayons, socks, rubber bands, paper clips, raisins, or any smallish item would be a good choice. Please do NOT bring 100 elephants to school!!!

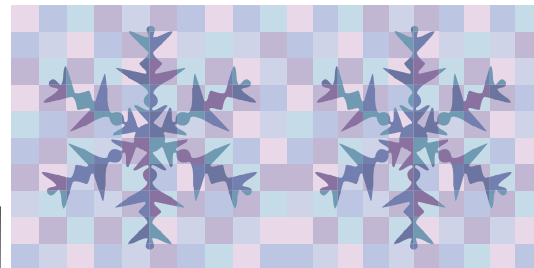


Baby, it's cold outside! Please send outer wear

Pre-K and preschool students need to have appropriate outer wear for playing outside. Please make sure your child has a coat, snowpants, boots, mittens and a hat every day.

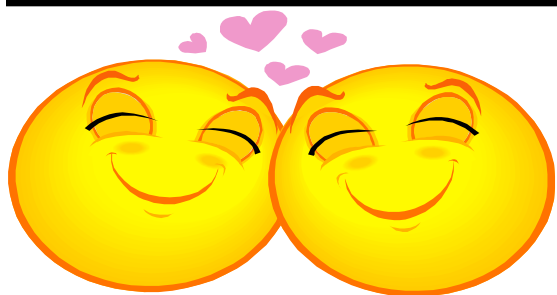
We recommend packing the "snow gear" in a reusable shopping tote, making it easy for you to bring it back and forth from home to school.

Pre-K students find it especially helpful to have



their gear in a tote because we bring it to the gym with us at lunchtime.

We want to play outside in the snow, so please pack snow gear!!



"Don't go searching for happiness — find happiness within yourself."

Other people are not responsible for your own happiness. For

Put karma to work for you!

example, your co-workers don't **make** you unhappy. How you choose to react to your coworkers can cause you to feel happy or unhappy.

The bottom line is, no one can **make** you unhappy. You can allow unpleasant situations to bring you down, or you can focus on the positives.

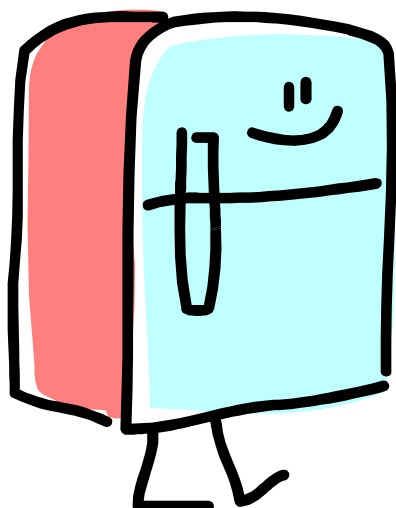
Dig down deep and find the happiness within your own soul ... if you can do that, you'll be feeling good!

February birthdays

Addie J.	2 / 2 / 09	Elisa R.	2 / 11 / 09
Hunter S.	2 / 7 / 11	Jackson S.	2 / 22 / 10
Jeno C.	2 / 08 / 08	Alec C.	2 / 25 / 08
Rachel L.	2 / 9 / 12	Lauren R.	2 / 27 / 12
Jonathan B.	2 / 9 / 12	Miss Jaclyn	2 / 5
Ainsley W.	2 / 9 / 11	Miss Adrienne	2 / 20
Samantha B.	2 / 10 / 09	Miss Kathy	2 / 23
Keith B.	2 / 11 / 08		



Two special thank yous!



We love and appreciate our families here at Great Lakes Child Development Center, and it's nice to know they appreciate GLCDC right back.

Thank you to the Jeakle family for donating a refrigerator/freezer for use in the gym. Our old fridge quit working, and we're very grateful to have a new one.

Thank you to the Tevault family for donating \$50, which will be used to help renovate Rooms 18 and 20. They will be our designated "Romper Rooms" where the kids can romp and play and practice their large-motor skills.

Girl Scout cookies on sale in office

Back by popular demand, we have Girl Scout cookies available for purchase in the office.

There will be a few different types of cookie available — such as Thin Mints and Tagalongs and a few others. Cookies are \$3.50 per box.

Proceeds from cookie sales will benefit the Girl Scout troop at Guardian Angels Catholic School in Clawson. A few of the Scouts from GA are in The Rams Club here at GLCDC. The Rams Club is our after-school program for school-age kids.

Stop by the office and get your Girl Scout cookies today. When they are gone, they are gone!



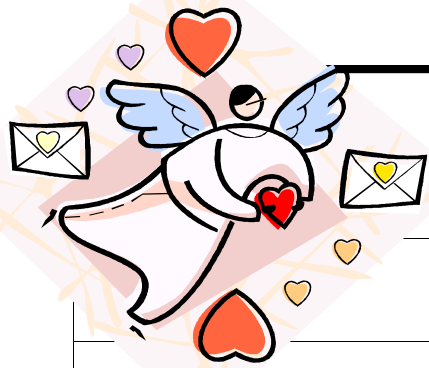
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Valentine's Day party, Tues. Feb. 14

Please send in \$1 per child for pizza lunch. We do not need treats or snacks that day, but you are welcome to send in Valentines.

Preschool and Pre-K students should be encouraged to write their own names on cards for their friends and teachers. Approximate class counts are as follows: Infant Room 23, 12 children; Infant Room 24, 9 children; Early Toddler, 18; Toddler, 15; Early Pre-school, 15; Preschool Room 8, 19; Room 10, 14; Pre-K Room 7, 16; and Room 6, 23.





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Toddlers

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

*Please send in a shoebox with your child before Feb. 7
— we are using the boxes to make mailboxes for our
Valentine's Day cards. Thank you!!*

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5

6

7

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T is for ...
TRAIN

20
HEARTS

Colors
(rainbow)

Make Valentine
card boxes out
of shoeboxes

Heart



11

12

13

14

15

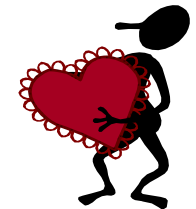
U is for ...
UMBRELLA

1
CAT

Brown Bear

Valentine's
Day Party

Bubbles



18

19

20

21

22

V is for ...
VEGETABLES

2
FISH

Red Bird

Puzzles

Paint



25

26

27

28

MARCH 1

W is for ...
WHALE

3
COWS

Yellow Duck

Stamps





Play-Doh





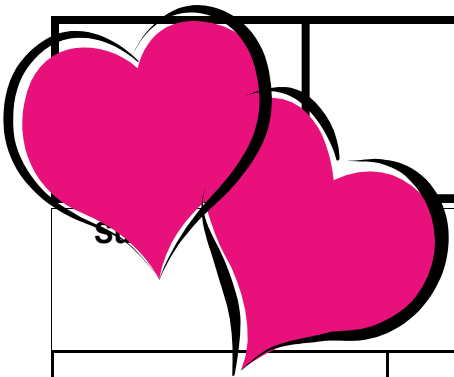
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Early Preschool

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Groundhog Day/ Mail Week Letter: E NUMBER: 5 COLOR: Green SHAPE: Rectangle	4 Story of Groundhog Day	5 "Pop Goes the Weasel"	6 Make a Groundhog puppet	7 Where do I live?	8 Glue a Mailbox puzzle	
Valentine's Day Letter: F NUMBER: 6 COLOR: Purple SHAPE: Diamond	11 Handprint Valentine	12 Heart People	13 Make Valentine Mailboxes	14 VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY	15 Make a Heart Collage	
Presidents Letter: G NUMBER: 7 COLOR: White SHAPE: Oval	18 The President's job	19 Rub coins	20 Where does the President live?	21 Make an airplane (Air Force One)	22 Make hats like Abe Lincoln's	
Dental Health Letter: H NUMBER: 8 COLOR: Black SHAPE: Heart	25 What is a dentist?	26 Make a toothbrush	27 Red smiles	28 Toothbrush painting	MARCH 1 Smile Collage	

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Preschool



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
THEME: Valentine Letter: T t Number: 9	4 Color letter T for our Phonics Book	5 Practice writing T and its sound	6 Make a heart person	7 Work with # 9	8 My "T t" Book	
THEME: Valentine Letter: U u Number: 10	11 Color letter U for our Phonics Book	12 Make a love bug	13 Stained glass heart project	14 VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY	15 My "U u" Book	
THEME: America Letter: V v Numbers: 1 & 2	18 Color letter V for our Phonics Book	19 Talk about voting	20 Work on + and - with 1 & 2	21 Make an American flag	22 My "V v" Book	
THEME: Dental Week Letter: W w Number: 3 & 4	25 Color letter W for our Phonics Book	26 Why we brush our teeth	27 Make a watermelon	28 Why we go to the dentist	MARCH 1 My "W w" Book	



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Pre-K

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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*For Valentine's Day, please have your child write his or her name on each card.
They do not need to write each classmate's name on the cards.
It's more important for them to practice their own names 😊*

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THEME: Hibernation
Letter: W w
Number: 13

Snakes
& frogs

Show & Tell
Letter W

Bears

Groundhogs
& gophers

Lady bugs

11	12	13	14	15
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THEME: Love
(Valentine's Day)
Letter: O o
Number: 14

Who do we
love?

Show & Tell
Letter O

Decorating
Valentine
bags

**Valentine's
Day
PARTY**

Hearts
project

18	19	20	21	22
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THEME: Five Senses
Letter: R r
Number: 15

Taste / Smell

Show & Tell
Letter R

Touch

Hearing

Sight

25	26	27	28	MARCH	1
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THEME: Healthy Teeth
Letter: C c
Number: 16

Why dental
health is
important

Show & Tell
Letter C

Our teeth
are our
friends!

Crunch
Munch

Twenty
teeth

MARCH	3	4	5	6	7
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THEME: Healthy Body
Letter: E e
Number: 17

Staying healthy
in the winter

Show & Tell
Letter E

Healthy food
keeps us well

Proper hand
washing
(review)

Exercise is so
Important!