


**January 2019**



# Little Lights

LEARNING CENTER  
of Carlisle United Methodist Church

Celebrate All Things New!

## **Psalm 98:1**

*Sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.*

By Natasha Yearsley

We are excited to be introducing our new electronic communication system, Tadpoles, this month! Starting January 14<sup>th</sup>, please keep an eye out for daily emails from your child's classroom teachers. Every class will now have an iPad for staff to keep track of your child's activities here at school. We will be able to relay information to you including their meals, daily activities, and pictures of them throughout their day! We will also be able to send you text or email messages in the event of inclement weather! Please see the attached letter for more details.



### **Star Teacher**

Congrats, to Ms. Siara for being awarded our "Star Teacher" in December! She has been working in our Tiger room, and always brings a positive attitude to school! It is great to see how much fun she makes our kids' days here at Little Lights!

### **Giant Rewards**

Thanks for your support earning points for our school! We have already earned about \$400 in rewards since November! These funds will go towards materials we use daily in our school!

### **CUMC Family Bowling**

You are invited to reserve a lane for your family at our church's bowling event! The event will be Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm. It is \$10 per family.

Pizza and soda will be provided. Sign up online at [carlislepacumc.org](http://carlislepacumc.org) under "Grow" kids events if you are interested!



### **January Events**

January 4<sup>th</sup>: Pajama Day  
January 18<sup>th</sup>: Stuffed Animal Day  
January 25<sup>th</sup>: Wear Your Favorite Color Day



### **January Birthdays**

#### **Staff**

Destiny – 1/15  
Gabriella – 1/29

#### **Students**

Dominic D. – 1/2  
Owen D. – 1/5  
Kayleb C. – 1/7  
Madilynn K – 1/8  
Kaylie B. – 1/23  
Olivia K. – 1/27  
Campbell G. – 1/30

### **Christmas Program**

Thanks to everyone who made it out to our annual Christmas Pageant! We appreciate your attendance, and for all those who brought the delicious cookies and milk.

### **Closed for the New Year**

#### **January 1st**

Have a blessed holiday!

### **Parent Forum**

We will be holding a parent forum on January 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:00pm in our church's library. This is a rolling event, and will be a time for us to better inform you on our plans for the new building. We are also looking to brainstorm ideas to get better connected with our church.

Light refreshments will be served.



**Dear Families,**

Keeping you involved with the school and your child's daily experiences has always been a priority of ours. We are very excited to announce that we are rolling out a program called **Tadpoles!**

From Tadpoles, teachers can send photos and videos to allow you to see a glimpse into your child's day! Teachers will also be creating a daily report for each child. This daily report will keep you informed of the daily activities, learning experiences, and care events for your child each day. All photos, videos, and daily reports are emailed to you directly and you can also access them via the free Tadpoles Parent app, available on Apple and Android devices, or online at [www.tadpoles.com](http://www.tadpoles.com) as well!

To create your account online, please use the following steps:

- Visit [www.tadpoles.com](http://www.tadpoles.com) and click log in at the top right
- Select Parents on the left
- Choose sign up under "use a tadpoles account"
- Use the email address that is currently on file with our school
  - o If it's a Gmail account, you can sign right in to the account
  - o If it's not a Gmail account, enter your email, choose submit and check your email for the link to establish your password

The same login information will be used to access your account via the free Tadpoles Parent app as well.

Tadpoles will continue to strengthen our home-to-school connection. From your Tadpoles parent account, via the app or web, you will be able to enter in morning drop off notes for your child's teachers, mark your child absent, and/or add any additional notes to be communicated to the school.

Each classroom will be equipped with an iPad mini or iPod touch which will be specifically used for the Tadpoles program. If you see a teacher on what looks like a phone or tablet, rest assured, they are only using the device to input information into Tadpoles. The devices are locked down, giving teachers access to only the Tadpoles software.

We consider all information captured within Tadpoles to be a private communication between our school and our families. No personal information is shared with any external parties and as a parent you will only receive information specifically about your child. The confidentiality of all information is maintained through the security features of the Tadpoles software.

We are very excited to begin utilizing Tadpoles and know it will positively impact the engagement of our families and our home-to-school connection. We feel confident that you will love Tadpoles and the level of involvement it allows you to have with your child's daily experiences while at our school. We are happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have about this exciting program!

Thank you!

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HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

January 2019

Infants News Letter

LET IT SNOW!



*The Infants would like to welcome all of you into the year 2019. Happy New Years to all. We pray that 2019 is as good as 2018. I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas and got to spend time with loved ones and friends. We would like to thank all the parents and teachers for all the gifts and cards. It was much appreciated and kind.*

*This month is winter fun. The whole month we will be doing things that deal with the snow. Please check out the calendar for the fun activities we have planned.. This month we have two new freinds join us here in the infants. but we are sadly going to miss Elise as she will be going to the ones,we wish you well. You will meet new friends. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to let us know. You can reach us at 717-249-5130 ext 4.*

*Have a Blessed Month.*

*Infant Teachers*

*Reminders for the month*

*January 1 2019 CENTER CLOSED Happy New Years*

*January 4 2019 PJ and Slipper day*

*January 18 2019 Stuffed animal day {Bring your favorite stuffed animal}*

*January 25 2019 Wear your favorite color*



**Baby, it's cold outside!**



## Tree Frogs January News



3...2...1...Happy New Year! Did you make your resolutions yet? Here in the Tree Frog room we're welcoming a whole new year of learning, friends and fun! In the month of January we will be learning about Winter Wonderland, Snowmen, Winter Wear, Friendship, and Polar Animals!

Our family photo board is still a bit bare. If you have any spare photos you wouldn't mind being displayed we'd love to put them up!

We're sure this New Year will bring many changes, and we can't wait to see what the coming months have in store for us!

-Ms. Kristin and Ms. Tina



### Important Dates:

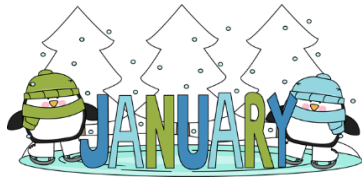
**Center is closed January 1st**

1/4 PJ and slipper day

1/18 Bring your favorite stuffed animal

1/25 Wear your favorite color





# News and Updates from the Monkey Room

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas! We want to thank the parents who were able to attend our Christmas party and let the parents who weren't able to attend that they were missed.

Please make sure your child has extra clothing in their bins and it is weather appropriate. And please make sure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing, we are supposed to go outside when weather is 25 degrees or warmer.

Please bring in an extra crib sheet and blanket, we only have a limited number of extra. This assures that if you forget the bedding on Monday or if they have an accident on their bedding that they have a change of sheets.

The month of January we will be learning about opposites, winter, colors, and diversity.

Some important dates to remember this month:

- Jan 1<sup>st</sup> school is closed

Birthdays:

- Kaylie  
Happy Birthday!!!

We are still working on sign language for thank you, please, more and all done. Working on manners, listening skills, using a spoon to eat and using words to express their feelings and wants. During circle time and throughout the day we work on ABC's, colors, shapes, numbers and animal sounds. It is such a blessing to see your children learn, grow and flourish while they are in the Monkey room.

As always, please feel free to contact us with any questions!

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# Happy 2019!



We hope that everyone had a great Christmas and New Year with their family! What a lovely time of year to get to spend some extra time with your little ones! We have enjoyed watching your children grow and learn and we look forward to another year of laughter, play, and learning. We are here to continue supporting their growth through the year here at Little Lights!

We have a few important dates to remind you of:

- ❖ January 1<sup>st</sup>: We are closed for New Years Day! ☺
- ❖ January 4<sup>th</sup>: PJ and Slipper Day
- ❖ January 18<sup>th</sup>: Stuffed animal day- bring your favorite stuffed animal!
- ❖ January 25<sup>th</sup>: Wear your favorite color!

We hope that everyone has an amazing and safe holiday! As per usual, please let us know if you have any questions. We are always here to take recommendations as to how to make this a better suited environment for your child.



***Happy New Year!***

***Miss Panney & Miss Rylie***



# TIGER ROOM NEWSLETTER—

## January 2019

HAPPY NEW YEAR FAMILIES! Wow, 2019 got here sooner than I thought! We hope you all enjoyed the holidays! As we ring in the new year we will be brushing up on being good friends who use their manners! We will be discussing all the different months of the year as well as continuously working with the days of the week! We are also going to be trying some science experiments in here and getting our hands dirty!

**REMEMBER:** Even though it is winter time, we are still allowed to go outside as long as the *feels like* temperature is 25 or higher. Please bring adequate clothing to keep your children warm in the event that we do go outside.

Also, your children will be doing hands on activities which might get them dirty, or something else will but in either case we do need a couple extra outfits *please* and thank you!

We're looking forward to the new things we'll learn in the new year, and thank you parents for allowing us this opportunity to be with your children and to teach them some cool stuff!

If you have any questions or concerns about anything please don't hesitate to contact us!

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Miss. Siara: [salvarado@carlislepaumc.org](mailto:salvarado@carlislepaumc.org)



## Lion Room January 2019 Newsletter

Happy New Year! We are looking forward to a new year full of fun and learning! December was a busy month for us. The children learned a lot, while having tons of fun! They did a great job practicing, and then performing “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” for our Christmas Program. We celebrated Christmas by having our party, gift exchange, PJ Day, and watching the Polar Express. December also brought our new co-teacher, Miss Destiny to us. She is a great addition to the Lion Room!

We have a lot of fun and exciting learning activities planned for January. Our themes for the month are New Year, Winter, Arctic Life, Nocturnal Animals, and Space. Along with all of our stories, art projects, and special activities, we will also be learning about the letters Nn, Oo, and Pp. We will also be learning the days of the week, counting and recognizing the number 5, and one to one correspondence.

### \*\*\*Important Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>-The center will be closed for New Year’s Day

Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>-PJ and Slipper Day (wear your PJs and slippers to school)

Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>-Stuffed Animal Day (bring your favorite stuffed animal to school)

Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>-Favorite Color Day (wear your favorite color to school)

We wish you all a very Happy New Year! If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Ms. Robin [rlautsbaugh@carlislepaumc.org](mailto:rlautsbaugh@carlislepaumc.org)

Miss Destiny





DOLPHIN NEWSLETTER

*\*Dates to Remember\**

1/4 – P.J. And Slipper Day!  
1/18 – Stuffed Animal Day  
1/25 – Wear your Favorite Color

*\*What we will be working on  
this month\**

Letters: Pp, Qq, Rr, Ss, Tt  
Sorting by Size  
Patterns with pictures and items  
Numbers 1 – 20  
Copying our name from a name plate

*\*Arts and Crafts\**

Snowflake	Ice Skate
Snowman	Polar Bear
Sled	Penquin

And more!!!

# HAPPY NEW YEARS HIPPO ROOM!!

## Themes:

This January we will cover the letters P,Q,R, and S: also the numbers 14, 15, 16 and 17.

We will recap the letters L, M and N and a chance to get extra stickers for bringing back your book signed!

## Stories:

- Put Me In the Zoo, Rhinoceros Tap and & So Sleepy Story.
- The Itsy Bitsy Spider Rhyme

## Crafts

- Spider Bag Puppet
- The Queens Crown

## Activities:

We do many different centers during the day, this month we will be centering on Science and Dramatic Play.

We will be experimenting with racing colors, which paper is better for water colors, making rainbows with milk and food coloring and dish soap and which materials are better for racing tires on!

## Reminders:

We do Show and share every Wednesday, students are encouraged to bring an item or a book from home to share with the class during circle time.

Parents are welcome to come and hang out in the class room at any time. We love to have new people to talk to and hang out with during the day.

## Important Dates:

January 1<sup>st</sup>: **Center is closed**

January 4<sup>th</sup>: **PJ and Slipper Day**

January 18<sup>th</sup>: **Stuffed Animal Day (bring your favorite stuffed animal)**

January 25<sup>th</sup>: **Wear your Favorite Color!**

**Thank you so much for your support! Your kids are absolutely wonderful and I am grateful for you allowing me to spend time with them.**

**Ms. April**





Pre-K  
Gourmet



Lunch Menu  
January 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 Ham Potatoes Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk**	1  CLOSED	2 Chicken Vegetable Rice Casserole Green beans Sliced Pears Milk**	3 Sloppy Joe on a wheat roll Mashed Potatoes Banana Half Milk**	4 Mini Cheese Pizza Mixed vegetables Pineapples Milk**
7 Mac 'n' cheese Green beans Sliced Peaches Milk**	8 Hot Chicken Sandwich w/ Gravy California vegetables Pineapple Milk**	9 Cheese quesadilla Tossed salad/peas (T) Sliced Pears Milk**	10 Turkey noodle casserole Carrots Apple sauce Milk**	11 Stewed Beef & Rice Roasted Potatoes Banana Half Milk**
14 Beefy Mexican rice casserole Mixed vegetables Pineapple Milk**	15 Chicken BBQ on a wheat roll Green beans Banana Half Milk**	16 Grilled cheese sandwich on wheat bread Carrots Apple sauce Milk**	17 Whole wheat pasta w/meat sauce Tossed salad/peas (T) Sliced Pears Milk**	18 Mini Cheese Pizza Broccoli Banana Half Milk**
21 Sweet & sour chicken & rice casserole Green Beans Peaches Milk**	22 Beefaroni Tossed salad/peas (T) Apple sauce Milk**	23 Turkey BBQ on a wheat roll Mashed Potatoes Banana half Milk**	24 Chicken Pot Pie California vegetables Sliced Apples Milk**	25 Hot Ham & Cheese on wheat bread Sweet Potato Fries/Green Beans Pineapple Milk**
28 Veggie Mac 'n' cheese Mixed vegetables Banana half Milk**	29 Turkey & vegetable rice casserole Carrots Apple sauce Milk**	30 Beef Soft Tacos Tossed Salad/Peas(T) Pineapples Milk**	31 Chicken Cacciatore Green Beans Sliced Apples Milk**	** Children at 1 year served unflavored whole milk and 2 years old and up served unflavored 1% milk with each lunch