

TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

January 2020 Child Care News



DEAR PARENTS

We hope you are enjoying the wonderful holiday season! We wish you all the best in the New Year.

We would like to remind you to make sure your children have hats, gloves, snow pants, and boots to go outside daily (weather permitting).

2019 INCOME TAXES

Tax season is upon us. If you would like your 2019 tuition statement, please let the office know. We will begin working on the requests the first week in January. Once you request this information, please be aware that it could take approximately one week to complete it.

FAMILY EVENT

We will be having a winter *Movie and Popcorn* family event on January 30th from 4:00-5:30 p.m. (the movies will be approximately 20-30 minutes long and we will be serving “puffed corn”). We will have a variety of shows throughout the time such as “Frosty the Snowman,” “Little Bear,” and “Bosco Di Rovo.” Stop by the muscle room any time between 4:00-5:30 p.m. whether or not one of the shows is in progress.

RESOURCE EVENT

Wonder Weavers will be here Friday, January 10th in the a.m. to do a “3, 2, 1 Blast Off” interactive activity with the children.

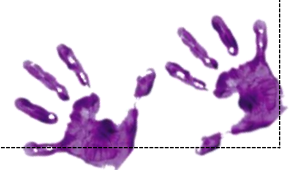
The schedule is as follows:

- *Toddlers 9:30 a.m.
- *Magenta 9:45 a.m.
- *Preschool & Purple 10:00 a.m.
- *Orange 10:30 a.m.

WEATHER REMINDERS

In the event of inclement weather, tune in to WCCO for announcements as to whether we are open or not. Listen for “Tiny Tots & Little Tykes” name to be announced. You can also call the center to check if there is someone answering phones or there will be a message on the answering machine as to whether we are open or not. Follow us on Facebook where we also post closures.

Reminder to allow yourself extra time for driving on the roads when picking up your child. If you think you may be late consider having someone else pick them up.



MUSIC CLASS

Pat will do a “Snow, Snow” theme for music this month. She will teach the children through singing, playing instruments, and using other items such as beanbags.

INSTAGRAM

We are now on Instagram! Another place to see some adorable photos of your adorable children. If you would like to follow us go to Instagram and search for us or here is the link:
<https://www.instagram.com/tinytotsandlittletykes/>.



KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten registration for all schools in District 197 is January 23rd. For more information please go to the following web page on the District 197 website:
http://www.isd197.org/about/enroll/kindergarten_-_resident/

THANK YOU

Thank you to all parents who gave our staff holiday gifts/treats. We truly appreciate your support & care.



TYKES CORNER

Sometimes after the holidays cabin fever can kick in during those cold winter months. Why not make some soup together. January is also “National Soup Month.” Here is a recipe for an easy potato soup you can make in the crock pot.

CROCK POT LOADED BAKED POTATO SOUP

PREP TIME:	COOK TIME:	TOTAL TIME:	SERVES:
15 minutes	4 hours	4 hours 15 minutes	8 bowls
CALORIES: 520		AUTHOR: Kimber	

Ingredients

- 2.5 lbs Russet potatoes
- 1 small onion 1/2 lb
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 4 cloves garlic
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 8 oz cream cheese
- 4 oz shredded cheddar cheese about 1 cup
- 1.5 cups heavy cream

Instructions

- 1 Chop the potatoes into 2 in chunks and roughly chop the onion.
- 2 Add the potatoes, onion, chicken broth, garlic, salt, and pepper to the crock pot and cook on high for 4 hours or low for 6-8 hours.
- 3 Once it is done cooking open the lid and add the cream cheese, cheddar cheese, and cream. Use a potato masher to blend the soup together for a very slightly chunky loaded potato soup, or an immersion blender for a super smooth loaded potato soup.
- 4 Top with your choice of toppings and Enjoy!

Don't forget to check out the Parent Education topic for this month on the Parent Page of our website: *Conscious Discipline for Parents: Stop Hijacking Natural Consequences.*