THE FAMILY TREE

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News from the Infant and Toddler Room

HAPPY FALL!!! HAPPY THANKSGIVING. We plan to spend the month doing art and coloring and singing and dancing. We will create and do puzzles and have so much fun. We will work on our small motor skills by using crayons, putting puzzle pieces in puzzles and putting shapes in a shape sorter. We will read books on being thankful and many other topics. Thank you for being a part of our village. OH, I ALMOST FORGOT! Our cow has been born and her name is officially **F**arah **G**wendolyn **C**ecilia, nicknamed Sprinkle. She was born on October 1st, 2021 weighing 80 pounds and 31 inches tall. We are happy to welcome her to our family. We will be learning all about her and doing activity sheets and coloring pages about her and other cows.

-Angela Bunker, Infant Toddler Teacher

News from the Preschool Room

Happy November! The weather is finally turning and feeling like Fall. We have been having a blast this past month meeting new friends! Welcome to all our new families, we are so glad you are here. This month we are going to focus on large motor fun. We will be offering activities that will challenge and strengthen the children's ability to run, hop, skip, balance and climb. In the classroom, we will be focusing on taking turns, following directions and having fun while playing games. I look forward to seeing you soon! -Beth Corcoran, Preschool Teacher

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WMKW5S7 - Parents/caregivers - please complete this survey.

NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR >>>

Did you know that the Family Growth Center (FGC) has been offering free respite childcare since 1974? Generations of families have benefited from the nurturing care found here, and hundreds of parents have expressed how grateful they are for the service we provide. FGC continues because of our incredible teachers we have who are passionate about working with young children. I want to say thank you to all who have supported the FGC and its continued work. With a special thanks to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church who continue to house the FGC and be a valuable partner in strengthening our families and providing the space to nurture and educate the children. Thank you! Rachel Prosen will be returning to CAPS/FGC. Rachel comes with a wealth of knowledge and she understands the importance of the Family Growth Center. She has been with CAPS Division since 2000! We welcome her back in joining our incredible staff (3)!

WHAT IS THE FAMILY GROWTH CENTER?

It is a place for children to enjoy FREE drop-in childcare for children 6 weeks through 5 years of age. A nominal fee is charged to higher income families. Family Growth Center is a program of Child Abuse Prevention Services, which is a division of **Child and Family Charities.**

For more information on childcare call (517) 371-1347.

DURING NON-FGC HOURS CALL (517) 371-1347 TO LEAVE A MESSAGE



Tuesday – Wednesday – Thursday 549 E Mt. Hope **Lansing, MI. 48910** (Bethlehem Lutheran Church)

NOVEMBER 2021 Family Growth Center Calendar

TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY
FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS	02	FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS	03	FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS
Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm		Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm		Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm
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Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm	20	Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm		CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING ENJOY YOUR FAMILY TIME!
FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS	30			
Drop In: 900am – 1130am Drop In: 130pm – 400pm				

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Protein: Cod Fish & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Apples & Green Beans Grain: Long Grain Rice	Protein: Turkey Sausage & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Dates & Beets Grain: Oatmeal	Protein: Cottage Cheese & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Oranges & Spinach Grain: Whole Wheat Crackers	Protein: Turkey Meat & Milk Fruit and Vegetable: Carrots & Baked Batatas w/apples Grain: Whole Wheat Buns	Protein: Cheddar Cheese & Milk Fruit and Vegetable: Pears & Peas Grain: Whole Wheat Noodles

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