

ABBA Christian Childcare Monthly Newsletter

Notes From Amanda



Welcome New Families

We welcomed Karl and Chloe to ABBA last month. This month, we welcome Dean to the infant room. We are excited to have new friends join us at ABBA!

Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow

We know that all ABBA parents need to get to work—even in the snow. We are here to take care of your children even on the snowy days. If we have a horrible storm that prevents people from getting around, then we may close. We do not follow the school districts so if District 15 or 16 is closed, we may still be open. Please check your TV or check the Emergency Closing Center's website to see if we are closed. You are also welcome to call the center if you are not sure if we are open. If we need to close early due to bad weather, we will give you a call.



Remember to bring appropriate clothing for your child (boots, waterproof mittens, snow pants and a hat). Our policy is to go outside as long as the temperature is above 20 degrees wind chill. We may not stay out long, but it gives the children a chance to breathe fresh air and run off some energy. Your child is prone to sickness staying inside all the time—fresh air is great for everyone!

Thank You!



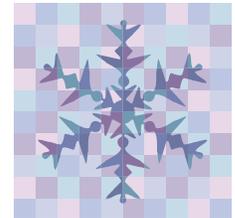
On behalf of all the staff members of ABBA, I'd like to thank you for the wonderful gifts and treats that we received from many families. We hope you enjoyed the gifts that were made for you by your children (with a little help from us.)

DCF\$ License Renewal

Every three years, ABBA is required to renew their license to run a daycare program through DCF\$. Please be prompt to return any documents for your child's file that may be asked of you in the next week. We will be inspected at the end of the month. If you have any questions, please speak with me.

Dates to Remember:

- Every Sunday: Worship at Family In Faith, 8am and 10:30am
- Free Panera bread and bagels every Friday!
- Friday, Jan. 12: Hat Day
- Saturday, Jan. 13: Food Pantry 10am-12pm, volunteers at 9am



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A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

From all of us at
ABBA Christian Childcare

Spread the Word!

We have been blessed with steady enrollment over the last several months. We would be thrilled to see ABBA filled in every classroom, but we need your help (especially with infants and 3-5 year olds)!

If you know someone who is need of childcare (friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, etc.), please tell them about ABBA. Let them know that we are a childcare center and we have a preschool program.

If you refer a family and their child stays enrolled for 2 months, we will give YOU a free week of tuition!

If you know a place where our flyer can be hung up, please let me know and I will give you some. We also have brochures and business cards that can be given out.

Did you know you can also write a review on ABBA at our Facebook page? Positive words from a family already attending the center helps other families find childcare .



January Birthdays

Need to Clean Your Closet?



January 2 – Caleb B
January 10—Mis s
Ashley

Do you have clothes that no longer fit or you do not want anymore? Do you have linens or shoes to get rid of at home? Please donate these items in the blue bins out in the parking lot. The items donated are given to people in need and ABBA receives funds based on the amount of items that are donated. The bins are emptied every week.



Need Ideas for What to Do With Kids in the Winter?

1. Build a snowman in the yard. If it's too cold, bring some snow in the house and build it in a plastic tub!
2. Stick a yardstick in the snow and see how deep the snow gets.
3. Look at the icicles on buildings—see if you can find one that is really big!
4. When riding in the car, count how many snowplows you see.
5. Cuddle up under a blanket and read books.



6. Do something totally outrageous and put on your swimming suits and spread out beach towels and pretend to have a picnic! Your children will be especially surprised if their swimming suit is already too small for them! Talk to them about how they are GROWING!