

January 2017



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 New Year's Day | 2  Center Closed | 3 | 4 | 5  Pre-K Field Trip to Cleveland History Center 9:00-1:00  OberlinKids Playgroup 10-11:30 @ The Depot | 6 Pre-K Dalcroze  11:00-12:00 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10  Oberlin Public Library Preschool Storytime | 11 | 12 | 13 Pre-K Dalcroze  11:00-12:00 Oberlin City School Closed | 14 |
| 15 | 16  Oberlin City Schools Closed | 17  Oberlin Public Library Toddler Storytime | 18 | 19  OberlinKids Playgroup 10-11:30 @ The Depot | 20 Pre-K Dalcroze  11:00-12:00 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Pre-K Dalcroze  11:00-12:00 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | OECC's new monthly calendar includes everything happening at the center as well as in the community. New calendars will be distributed the last week of every month. Post this on your refrigerator or download a digital copy from our website. | | | |

January 2017 News



Please help us welcome Jaclyn ("Jackie") Fullerton as our new Lead Preschool Teacher in the Blue Room. Jaclyn earned a Bachelor degree in 1987 from Cleveland State University and an Early Childhood Pre-Kindergarten License in 2014 from Ashland University. She is a native to Lorain County and has worked in the field for 12 years. She has spent the last three years working in a Head Start preschool program. She brings a love for the outdoors and an artistic approach with her. She has begun her orientation with us and will transition into the classroom this week. Please help us welcome her!



Winter fun is just around the corner. We encourage you to continue to take walks and play outdoors. Keeping children healthy, warm, and entertained can be trickier than simply putting snow boots on your little ones feet. Injuries from the cold such as frostbite and hyperthermia are preventable. Watch out for wind chill factor which is the perceived air temperature on our body based on wind. It may be 30°F but feel like 2°F. Children can usually play outside comfortably when it's 30°F and higher, they just need to wear warm clothing. They also need to wear hats and mittens as body heat is easily lost through the head and hands. Children do NOT adapt to temperatures as effectively as adults when exposed to heat or cold. This means that although the temperature may seem comfortable to

you, it may not be to your child. Watch for signs that they're getting chilled. If they're shivering, bring them inside even if they insist they're fine. If you're cold, more than likely your child is too. It's a good idea to come inside for a quick break every half an hour or so, just to warm up a bit.

Outdoor play is just as important at school as it is at home. Our teachers consider the outdoors an extension of the classroom. To keep your children safe from harmful winter weather, our teachers follow specific guidelines when deciding to venture outside for play. A weather chart is posted on the parent board in the hallway and in each classroom. Please help your child's teacher by sending in appropriate clothing and footwear to gear up for the cold weather.



OECC does NOT automatically close due to weather when Oberlin School District closes. Closing due to weather is a very difficult call as road conditions can vary significantly from one location to another. In the event that we must close or delay the opening of the center we have an automation notification system called OneCall Now that allows us to provide emergency phone, text, and email messaging to our families and staff. We have on file the numbers and email addresses you wish for us to call in the event we need to notify you of a closing. If you would like to verify your information or update it please stop by the office so we may assist you.

