



December 2011

NEWSLETTER

Koudijs Kids
Home Child Care



A warm and safe environment where children can
learn, grow and have fun!

Snow Removal

With winter just around the corner, and the snow starting to fly, I wanted to let everyone know that I will TRY to have the driveway and walks cleared as soon as possible after a snow fall. However please have patience with me as I have Ash to take care of in the morning as well as Ry to get ready for school and I can't exactly leave them unsupervised in the house alone. Sometimes I may just clear a path to the door(s) until I get another opportunity to get outside, which may be during nap as I will take the baby monitor outside with me. Also, if you happen to notice any slippery spots during drop off and pick up, please let me know so that I can salt them.

Outdoor Play

With that white stuff getting ready to arrive, please make sure your child has all needed items here daily for outdoor play. Even though it is not always possible I do like the option to take them out daily, even if it is just for a walk to the corner or a stroll in the Quad stroller/wagon. Items needed but not limited to the following:

Snow Pants/Snowsuit
2 pairs of waterproof mittens
Winter Coat
Hat that covers their ears
Boots

As well please make sure your child has spare clothes here as well, because sometimes snow pants just don't stay dry, snow goes up the coat, or boots fall off.

Did You Know

Hanukkah is December 20th - December 28th

Kwanzaa is December 26th - January 1st

Advent started November 27th

The first day of winter is December 22nd

Day Care Closures

December 26th - 30th - Christmas Vacation
Have a safe and happy holiday everyone!

This Months Shining Star

For the month of December the shining star will be Cooper.

Funshine Curriculum

This months themes are:
Sock Hop
Jolly Holidays

This month we will also be focussing on the letters J, K and L; numbers 9 & 10, color white and the shape star.

Christmas Quotes

Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmas-time.

~ Laura Ingalls Wilder

The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other.

~ Burton Hillis

Never worry about the size of your Christmas tree. In the eyes of children, they are all 30 feet tall.

~ Larry Wilde, *The Merry Book of Christmas*

Santa Visit

Like usual I am trying to arrange with the big man in red, a visit just for the toddlers. Since it is a family member that plays the part for me I am going to arrange this while the "big kids" are at school. This year I am planning on the visit for December 20th Santa this year will be played by Ashlyn's grandpa.