

# Little VICTORIES

FLEXIBLE CHILD CENTER  
& PRESCHOOL

## Welcome to the Grasshopper Room





Dear Families,

As children get older and more independent, they need new challenges. Little Victories addresses the changing and more varied needs of growing school-age children. Little Victories' program for school-age children provides a unique before and after school learning experience to keep your school-ager motivated and focused in a fun and stimulating environment. I feel honored and excited to be working with your child. I look forward to getting to know your entire family as I partner with you in the process of nurturing your child's growth and development.

I am always happy to listen and problem solve with you to make your child's experience the best it can be. If you ever have a question or concern regarding your child, please do not hesitate to talk to me.

Sincerely, Jessica

**Transportation and Scheduling Options:** To make it easy for your family's schedule, we provide transportation to and from Lily Lake, Rutherford, Stonebridge, Oak Park Heights and Lake Elmo Elementary schools. Parents whose children attend any of the private or charter schools in Stillwater may request through the district for their child to be picked up or dropped off at Little Victories. Our school-age program also aligns with school calendars to provide fun and learning during holidays, teacher in-service days, and other school breaks. Our before and after school program offers very flexible scheduling options. Families may select and pay only for the before and after "sessions" they need.

**Classroom Environment:** We realize how hard your child works during the school year. Because of this we will create a relaxing and stress-free environment for your child. We will make time to go outside, play games, and explore art and science and HAVE FUN in a calm setting.

**Homework:** We realize families get very busy and we would like to support you as much as possible. Throughout the school year we are available to help your child with homework after school. We hope this alleviates stress on your family's nighttime routines. (If you prefer to help your child with their homework, just let us know!)



## Before and After School Schedule



### Before School

<b>6:00</b>	<b>7:30</b>	Welcome/ Free Choice
<b>7:30</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Breakfast & Quiet reading and puzzles

### After School

<b>3:30</b>	<b>4:00</b>	Snack
<b>4:00</b>	<b>4:20</b>	Teachers help with homework and/or quiet reading time
<b>4:20</b>	<b>5:00</b>	Daily Project
<b>5:00</b>	<b>6:30</b>	Free Choice

# School Age Full Day Schedule

<b>6:30</b>	<b>8:30</b>	Welcome/ Free Choice
<b>8:30</b>	<b>9:00</b>	Breakfast
<b>9:00</b>	<b>9:15</b>	Quiet reading and puzzles
	<b>9:15</b>	<b>9:45</b> <u>Morning Group Time</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good morning greeting</li> <li>• Review classroom rules</li> <li>• Review of day—Field Trip</li> <li>• Storybooks related to theme</li> </ul>
<b>9:45</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning snack</li> </ul>
<b>10:00</b>	<b>12:00</b>	<u>Discovery Time or Field Trip</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open art studio</li> <li>• Process oriented art</li> <li>• Variety of math and language art activities</li> <li>• Music and movement</li> <li>• Learning centers: block area, library, science area, dramatic play and manipulative</li> </ul>
<b>12:05</b>	<b>12:30</b>	Lunch 
<b>1:10</b>	<b>2:00</b>	Outside Time
<b>2:00</b>	<b>2:30</b>	Quiet Choice
<b>2:30</b>	<b>3:00</b>	Art Project
<b>3:00</b>	<b>3:30</b>	Snack
<b>3:30</b>	<b>3:50</b>	Group Time—Read Story together
<b>3:50</b>	<b>4:45</b>	Daily Project

# School Age Newsletter

November 2011

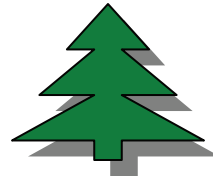


We have had a great 1st month in the school age classroom! We've done some holiday and seasonal themed projects which turned out great! When you enter our classroom you will see the faux stained glass leaves and pumpkins we've made. We also did a class collage with pictures from magazines that had blue in them.

We had two school days off in October for MEA. On Thursday we had a bowling and pizza party then on Friday we went to High Five Archery and they taught us how to shoot bow and arrows .

Jumping into November we will be doing even more fun projects and field trips. We are planning a project that is inspired by the famous artist Georgia O'Keefe where we will create our own mosaics. Then we will take a few field trips which will round out our month! I am looking forward to another great month!

Jessica



## November School District Break Field Trips

**Nov 10 - Krueger's Tree  
Farm Field trip**

**Nov 11 - Tour of Valley  
Outreach and delivery of  
winter clothing donations**

**Nov 23—Volunteering at  
the St Croix Valley food  
shelf**