

# Little VICTORIES

FLEXIBLE CHILD CENTER  
& PRESCHOOL

## Welcome to the Ladybug Room





Dear Families,

Welcome to the Lady Bug Room! We feel honored to be working with your little one and excited to have the opportunity to discover their unique personality, their strengths and their challenges. Our first and foremost goal for our infant classroom is to create a loving and nurturing environment so our infants feel safe and secure to be able to have the foundation that is needed to be able learn and grow. We will be able to offer your Infant the ability to interact within a group setting which will kindle the opportunity for socialization and exploration. We will enhance the developmental growth through age appropriate materials and toys. Please, feel free to talk directly with us about any questions or concerns you may have. We are always happy to listen and problem solve with you to make your child's experience the best it can be.

Sincerely,

Jodi, Alison and Jessica

1. **Daily Sheet:** Your child will receive a sheet each day showing what and how much your child ate, how many naps he or she took and the length, the number of diaper changes and some of the activities your child did throughout the day. This daily sheet is also used as a way to communicate to parents when we are low on supplies such as diapers, wipes, formula, etc. We will notify you a couple of days in advance when we are low on supplies.
2. **Curriculum:** The infant curriculum is based on sensory and exploratory activities and experiences. Included in this packet is a sample lesson. We tailor our curriculum to the development stage of each individual child. Lesson plans are prepared bi-monthly and are posted outside of the room.
3. **Naptime Blanket:** Having a blanket from home, and nuk (if used) makes children feel more relaxed and calm, which means that they can fall asleep more easily. Only single layer blankets can be used with the infants. Stuffed animals are not allowed in the cribs. We ask that blankets be taken home on your last day of the week for washing and returned to school when your child next attends. This helps us all stay healthy!
4. **Formula, Breast Milk & Food preparation:**  
**Formula Preparation**
  1. Always wash hands carefully before preparing food.
  2. Use hot soapy water, bottle brush and brush that go into the nipple. Wash bottle and ring at the same time. Squirt water through nipple to clean holes. Rinse well with hot water.

- Cap bottle when dry so it does not remain exposed to dust and germs in the air. Wash container and items for making formula.
3. Clean top of formula container with a clean cloth wrung out in hot detergent water before opening.
  4. Fill bottles with the amount baby drinks at one feeding of formula or milk and date bottles, time of preparation, and name of infant. **Refrigerate immediately.**
  5. Put bottles into an insulated bag to carry to Little Victories. Do not allow bottles to become warm in the car or by carrying in coat pocket.
  6. Be sure bottles are refrigerated as soon as you get to Little Victories. **All bottle parts must be labeled with the child's full first and last name.**
  7. Take bottles home at the end of the day. Bottles may have been rinsed, but **must be washed** as in #2 above at home.
  8. Please bring as many prepared bottles as your child usually drinks within the time period reserved. You may bring in a container of premeasured powder, labeled with the number of ounces, and an empty bottle instead of an extra prepared bottle in the event that more formula than expected is needed.

### **Breast Milk Preparation**

1. **Wash hands, breast, and breast pump.** Express Milk.
2. Use a clean bottle or storage bag
3. Fresh breast milk, if kept refrigerated, may be used up to 48 hours.
4. Thaw frozen breast milk in the refrigerator overnight. Fill each bottle with the appropriate amount of milk for one feeding. (Once a feeding begins, a bottle is only usable for one hour.) **Label with child's full first and last name and the date.**
5. Bring bottles to Little Victories in an **insulated container.**
6. Bottles are refrigerated as soon as you get to Little Victories.
7. Please take all bottles home at the end of the day. Bottles will not be rinsed, but returned to parents for sanitation.
8. Unused breast milk bottles will be sent home with the parent.
9. Please bring as many prepared bottles as your child usually drinks within the time period reserved. You may bring in a frozen bag of breast milk and an empty bottle instead of an extra prepared bottle in the event that more milk than expected is needed.

### **Food Preparation**

1. Only commercially prepared, unopened containers infant food may be brought.
  2. Containers must be labeled with child's full first and last name.
  3. Little Victories will return only unopened containers. Outdated and opened food will be discarded.
5. **Sippy Cups:** When an infant reaches an age where he or she is learning to drink from a cup, parents are asked to bring sippy cups labeled with their child's name.
  6. **Extra Clothes:** As we all know, infants can go through multiple outfits daily so we recommend having at least two full changes of clothing in your child's diaper bag.
  7. **Outdoor Clothes:** We do take the infants outside throughout the year for walks and play time. Please be sure to bring appropriate outdoor clothing for your child and label each item.



# Ladybug Lesson Plan

11/17/11—11/23/11

Theme: Thanksgiving



Children	Sensory	Art	Fine Motor	Large Motor	Social Interactions	Sign Language
<b>Kyla Landon Thomas Wade</b>	Play with feathers (turkey)  Explore pumpkin puree	Hand Print Turkeys  Paint with a feather	Picking up small toys	Rolling over  Tummy Time  Sitting up	Smiling, laughing at teachers  Playing with toys alongside friends	Smiles  Eye contact
<b>Eloise Adler Eli</b>	Play with feathers (turkey)  Explore pumpkin puree	Hand Print Turkeys  Paint with a feather	Picking up food  Stacking Objects  Clapping	Pulling themselves up on objects  Dancing	Smiling, laughing at friends and teachers  Playing side-by-side	"More"  Waving good-bye and hello
<b>Jacob Olivia Ally William</b>	Play with feathers (turkey)  Explore pumpkin puree	Hand Print Turkeys  Paint with a feather	Picking up food  Holding a spoon  Stacking objects	Standing alone (A, W)  Cruising/walking  Dancing  Climbing	Smiling, laughing, talking with friends and teachers  Sharing toys  Playing side-by-side	"More"  "Please"  "Eat"  "Milk"  "All done/finished"



# Lovely Ladybugs November Newsletter

## **CLARIFICATION...**

When we write "1/4 c." on your child's daily sheet, we mean 1/4 of their sippy cup, not an actual 8 oz. cup.



## **WE HAVE NEW BABIES!**

We welcomed four new babies in the last month. The teachers and the older babies are having fun getting to know them. Please welcome **Wade, Thomas, Landon, and Kyla** and their parents if you see them at drop off or pick up!



## **Our Theme**

for the last week in October and the first week in November was "Pumpkins." We sponge-painted a pumpkin picture and we will be painting a little pumpkin for the babies to take home. We also will be exploring pumpkins, inside and out, using all of our senses!



- Eli turned 1 in October!
- Jacob is walking!
- Brendan is walking!
- We have a new teacher named Jessica, who is currently working part-time and will work full time when Tonya leaves. Please give her a warm welcome!

# Little Ladybugs Classroom List

\*Please be sure to label all items

Please look over this list seasonally to make sure your child has everything he/she needs throughout the day. If you prefer, you may leave these items at school.

## SPRING

- Full extra change of clothing
- Diapers, wipes & ointments
- Single layer blanket for rest time
- Labeled Nuk (if used)
- Sunscreen
- Light jacket
- Sun hat
- Prepared formula/breast milk bottles-  
Enough for one bottle per feeding  
Bottles cannot be re-used
- Sippy cups (if used) 3 per day



## SUMMER



- Full extra change of clothing
- Diapers, wipes & ointments
- Single Layer blanket for rest time
- Labeled Nuk (if used)
- Sunscreen
- Light jacket when necessary
- Sun hat
- Prepared formula/breast milk bottles-  
Enough for one bottle per feeding  
Bottles cannot be re-used
- Sippy cups (if used) 3 per day



## FALL

- Full extra change of clothing
- Diapers, wipes & ointments
- Single Layer blanket for rest time
- Labeled Nuk (if used)
- Heavier jacket
- Prepared formula/breast milk bottles-  
Enough for one bottle per feeding  
Bottles cannot be re-used
- Sippy cups (if used) 3 per day



## WINTER

- Full extra change of clothing
- Diapers, wipes & ointments
- Single layer blanket for rest time
- Labeled Nuk (if used)
- Prepared formula/breast milk bottles-  
Enough for one bottle per feeding  
Bottles cannot be re-used
- Sippy cups (if used) 3 per day

# Little Lady Bugs

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Today I was

Chatty \_\_\_ Happy \_\_\_ Playful \_\_\_ Busy \_\_\_ Sad \_\_\_ Tired \_\_\_ Quiet \_\_\_ Not Feeling Well \_\_\_

## Today I Ate

<u>Time</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>What</u>
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## Today I Slept

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## Diapers

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## Additional Comments

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