



# UNITED DAY NURSERY, INC. PARENT NEWSLETTER

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## A time to reflect on how thankful we all are...

- ~ For all the beautiful children entrusted to our care;
- ~ To be able to provide quality child care and education for all of the young children enrolled;
- ~ For the opportunity to get to know you, the parents – families of our children
- ~ To have a job to come to each day;
- ~ For all the nutritious foods we eat each day;
- ~ Because we have such reliable, dependable, capable co-workers to spend our days with
- ~ To be able to give (share with others) and receive

## Some additional reminders ...

(Taken from United Day Nursery Parent Guide: )



**Toys and equipment (matchbox cars, sippy cups, etc.)** are to be left in the car and/or at home. United Day Nursery staff are not responsible for lost/misplaced, broken, borrowed items from home.

We have toys, equipment, supplies, etc. which are geared for specific age groups/children's needs as well as developmental levels. THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION



**Hand washing** is the number one preventative measure which can be taken to **STOP the spread of germs.**

It is required (of all staff members, children, volunteers, etc.) upon arrival that hands must be washed upon entering a classroom for play and/or work.

**In order to keep a safe and healthy environment,** it will be expected each morning and afternoon. Let's thank one another for reminding each other to do this every day – each time one exits and returns to the classroom.

Quote:

"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it."

-Marian Wright Edelman

## MARK YOUR CALENDERS...



November 7th & 8th -Speech and Hearing Screening by UND

November 12-Veteran's Day **Holiday observed**

November 15 -Board Meeting; 12:00 noon, ULC lounge

November \_\_ - Indoor 'One-Stop' Shopping Event 1st Annual Fundraiser – currently in process of deciding whether to do this...

November 22-Closed for Thanksgiving Day

November 19- Parent/Staff Forum; 6:30 – 7:30/8:00pm

November 29\*- Staff Meeting; 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., ULC lounge

- It is very helpful and much appreciated if you call in to the office (or catch your child's area supervisor and/or teacher) to **let us know if your child(ren) will not be in attendance on 'special days' such as Mon., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and Fri., Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>.** [ Calls are always appreciated!!]
- On these lower count (attendance) days it's nice to be able to provide staff with time off (for those who request it.) This is possible when parents inform us ahead of time!!

**New policy** - please be informed...

If UDN TEAM members are having to spend more than 10 minutes one on one with a child (and for more than one time period) - trying to calm down/regain composure...parents are to be available and quite possible may have to come in to pick up their child. **We are not able to provide 1:1 care for children.**

It is required by Licensing Regulations – mandated by Law - that **parents are reachable at all times.** If you get a new job, move to new address, get new cell ph. &/or home ph., change class schedules, etc. it is essential that you turn in this information to the office!

It's a good idea to stop in to check your child's file regarding emergency contacts and/or general pick-up permission – ensuring that we have **current names and phone numbers of those entrusted to care for your child.**

\* Also, a huge **THANK YOU** to all the parents that were able to contribute money for the pumpkin patch field trip. The Small Room and Spectrum children (and teachers) had a wonderful time! We were able to go on a hay ride, walk through a corn maze, and pick out a pumpkin to take home. Again, thanks so much for your kind donations.

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