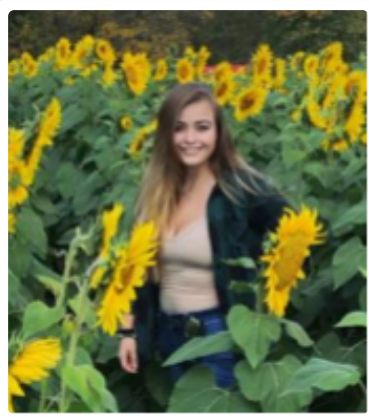


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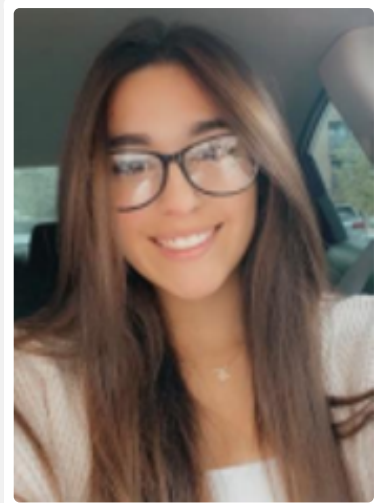
February 2021

## Notes from the Office

The year is off to a great start so far and we're enjoying spending the winter season with you and your children. This time of year our students spend extra time participating in our SPARK physical fitness program, ensuring that they are able to work on their gross motor skills no matter the weather. We're having a great time jumping, dancing and playing together! We also want to extend a heartfelt welcome to the new families that joined us in January and we hope you'll enjoy your new home here at Merryhill. Our families really are spectacular and special. Have a wonderful month and Happy Valentine's Day!  
Lots of Love, Kristen and Brittany



**Welcome Ms.  
Chassity to our  
Teaching Team!**



**Welcome Ms.  
Kierra to our  
Teaching Team!**

## Events



## Groundhog Day

Groundhog Day Tuesday,  
February 2nd



## Super Bowl Sunday

Super Bowl Sunday,  
February 7th



## Valentine's Day Party

Our classes will be celebrating Valentine's Day on February 12th at 3:00 with a special craft and snack. A sign-up genius will be sent out for each class if you would like to contribute to the classroom party. If you plan on bringing Valentines for your child's friends, we recommend only putting your child's name on them not the name of their friend. As a reminder, store bought nut-free items please!

## Friendly Reminders



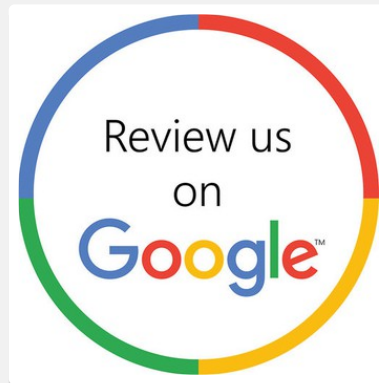
## President's Day and Professional Development Day

Monday, February 15th  
**SCHOOL CLOSED** Staff will  
be working on Professional  
Development and Continuing  
Education.



## Did you know we have a referral program?

Refer a new family to earn a  
week of free tuition! For each  
referred child enrolled full-  
time, you will receive a free  
week of tuition. For each  
part-time referral, you will  
receive a 100\$ credit.  
For more information see  
Kristen or Brittany.



## Give us a 5!!

If you like what were doing  
here at Merryhill and are  
satisfied with the service  
that we are providing, please  
leave us a 5 star google  
review.

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## Happy Birthday to YOU!

Sophie G. 2/1  
Ms. Peyton 2/9  
Ms. Britt 2/16  
Remi S. 2/20  
Jude D. 2/24  
Ms. Maryann 2/24  
Ms. Teresa 2/25

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## Fun Valentine's Day Themed Activities to Reinforce Math Skills

Continue the learning at home this month with these hands-on math activities inspired by Valentine's Day! Your little one will have a blast practicing their math skills, thinking critically, and developing problem-solving strategies.



### 1. Candy Hearts Addition Game

Provide your child with candy hearts and a simple addition problem written on an index card. Ask them to read the card and place the correct number of candy hearts in two piles. For example, if the problem is  $3+4$ , your child should place 3 candy hearts in one pile and 4 candy hearts in another. Encourage them to count all the hearts to get a total.

### 2. Red Smoothies

Spending time in the kitchen is a great way to practice counting, following instructions and measuring. Make a Valentine's Day inspired smoothie with your child using a handful of ice,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup raspberries,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup strawberries,  $\frac{1}{2}$  banana and 1 cup yogurt. Ask your child to wash and measure the produce, count as he adds the ingredients to the blender, and press the "on" button.

### 3. Sort and Compare Activity

Provide your child with small items in Valentine's Day colors (i.e., red hearts, pink pom poms, white buttons). Ask them to sort the objects by color and compare the number of items in each group. Listen for words such as more than, less than and equal to.

### 4. Bar Chart of Favorite Gifts

Give your child a piece of paper and crayons. Encourage them to ask family members which Valentine's Day gift (i.e., flowers, candy or cards) they like the best. Ask your child to record the results on the bar chart to see which gift is the favorite.



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