



Bemis Farms Newsletter

CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY, 2010

- 2: Ground Hog Day
- 6: Saline Fiddlers
Concert at the
Saline Middle School
- 7: Super Bowl
- 10: Chinese New Year
- 12-15: No school Saline
- 14: Valentines Day
- 15: President's Day
- 16: Mardi Gras
- 20: Varsity Blues Bowling
Fundraiser (read more)

FEBRUARY 2010

22-26: No School Lincoln

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

February is Black History
Month?

February is National Bird
Feeding Month?

March 20 is the First Day
of Spring!!!

Bemis Farms Preschool
and Childcare

Special points of interest:

- ☺ February Calendar
- ☺ Keeping you informed
on upcoming events
- ☺ Group News
- ☺ Staff Recognition
- ☺ Newsletter question-
naire

YOU WANTED TO KNOW MORE...

Mark your calendars for
Sat. Feb. 20 for the
VARSITY BLUES
BOWLING FUND-
RAISER at Maplewood
Lanes in Saline.

12:30-4:00 p.m.

\$20 includes 2 games,
shoes, pizza, pop

This is a great family
fun day and helps sup-
port a talented youth
group dedicated to
dance and music.. There
will also be a 50/50 raf-
fle and a bake sale dur-
ing the event.

If you have more questions,
ask Tammie King. She is
chairperson for this event.
She will be happy to see all
of you at MAPLEWOOD
LANES on Saturday, Febru-
ary 20.

www.salinevarsityblues.com

Tell us what you
think about our on-
line newsletter
Is it helpful to you?
How can we
improve? Please
return the enclosed
questionnaire to the
front desk.



GROUP NEWS

INFANT/TODDLER

Our babies are growing. Many are crawling and getting ready to walk. There are so many happy faces.

MILESTONES:

-Otto is taking steps

-Christian is using words

-Imogen and Addy are sitting alone

We will be celebrating Valentines Day on Friday, Feb. 12. A class list will be sent home if you would like to bring in cards. We will do art activities, have Gerber Treats and take lots of pictures.

GREEN GROUP

Monthly themes:

Feb. 1-5: Outer space

Feb. 8-12: Valentines

Feb. 15-19: Winter Olympics

Feb. 22-26: Dinosaurs

Feb. 12: Valentines Day Party.

Bring in valentines for 24 children with only your child's name on them. Look for a sign-up sheet for snacks.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

February Themes:

1-5: Groundhogs and Shadows

8-12: Valentines Week

15-19: Winter Olympics

22-26: African Americans in History

Please send in a shoebox by Feb.5 for your child to decorate for Valentines. There are 18 children and 3 teachers.

BLUE GROUP

Monthly Themes:

February 1-5: Friends

February 8-12: Valentines

February 15-19: Emotions

February 22-26: Family

Mr. Joe's last day working at Bemis Farms will be February 5, 2010. "I want everyone to know how much I have enjoyed my time here at Bemis. I have formed many relationships with all of your families over these past 6 1/2 years."

(More Green Group News...)

Monday, Feb.22:

Field Trip to the Natural History Museum in Ann Arbor. Cost is \$5.00 per person. We will be leaving at 9:30 and returning by noon for lunch. Please sign up if you would like to attend.

The Bemis Farms bus will transport the children. Let us know if you plan to drive your child.

(More Pre-K news)

Please have your child only write whom the valentines are from. We will be exchanging valentines on Fri. Feb. 12 at 3:15.

New Song: "I'm a Little Groundhog"

"I'm a little groundhog, furry and brown, see me pop up while I look around. If I see my shadow, down I'll go. Six more weeks of winter, Oh NO!"

PURPLE GROUP

Our themes for the month will be: colors, Valentines Day and Transportation.

We will be having a Valentines Day Party on Feb. 12. Look for a food sign-up sheet posted at the beginning of February.

K-WRAP

Themes: Arctic Animals, Valentines Day, Winter Olympics, and Weather.

We will NOT be having a Valentines Party due to the no-school days. Instead, we will be having GAME SHOW MANIA on Fri. Feb. 12 and WINTER OLYMPICS on Mon. Feb. 15.



I think I can, I think I can,
I think I can.

STAFF RECOGNITIONS



Kristen Knieper has been with Bemis Farms for the past 2 years where she has been the Lead Teacher for the K-Wrap and a member of the Summer Camp Staff.

When speaking with Kristen, she told us that her daughter will be 1 year old in March and that she is Kristen's "whole world".

Her hobbies include scrapbooking and cooking.

All will agree that one of Kristen's amazing attributes would be her amazing sense of humor.



BEMIS FARMS CENTER-WIDE OLYMPICS

Look for much excitement on Monday, February 15 as the Bemis Farms Winter Olympics take place from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

The games will be held in each classroom and each child will have a chance to earn and decorate a medal.

INDOOR GAMES

Blue Group: Snowball basketball

Purple Group: Fishing

Green Group: Making a snowman

Pre-K: Wax paper ice skating

School-Age: Penguin bowling

Infant/Toddlers: Medal decorating

OUTDOOR GAMES

Snowman competition

Snowball boards

Sledding for distance

Snow forts (older children)

Hot chocolate and cookies offered.

THANK YOU!!

A special "thank you" from the family who recently had a house fire to everyone for their generosity and kindness in this time of need. Thank you to all the families and staff who donated to the family.



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"WHERE KIDS MEET NATURE"



"Deep within us--no matter who we are--there lives a feeling of wanting to be lovable, of wanting to be the kind of person that others like to be with. And the greatest thing we can do is to let people know that they are loved and capable of loving."

(pg. 52; *The World According to Mister Rogers*)

NEWSLETTER QUESTIONNAIRE

(detach here)

1. Do you find the information in the newsletter helpful to you? YES NO
2. What would you like to see included in the newsletter in the coming months?

3. Do you feel the Group News keeps you updated on what is going on in your child's classroom? YES NO
4. Many parents do not read the newsletter. Do you have any suggestions to get parents involved?

5. Do you feel a newsletter made available seasonally or every other month would be better?

(PLEASE DETACH AND LEAVE AT FRONT DESK)___

Bemis Farms Photo Gallery



Happy Valentine's Everyone!