

Teacher of the Month: Ms. Danita



We can't say enough good things about Danita. During her 10 1/2 years of tenure with ED, she has repeatedly shown her strong passion for the child development field by continuing her education and always willing take on new challenges. Her biggest attribute is how she makes a lasting impression on so many of her "babies" and the families she has worked with over the years. Thank you, Danita, for loving our school as much as you do. #doeverythingwithL.O.V.E©

### Reminder

Endless Discoveries will be closed on Wednesday, January 1. Happy New Year!

### **January Birthdays**

Naomi G. - January 2 Paisley V. - January 2 AJ A. - January 6 Olivia J. - January 19 Giselle C. - January 20 Gianna V. - January 24 Gracelynn H. - January 24 Kathrine K. - January 25 Bretley B. - January 26 David R. - January 27 Ayianna D. - January 31

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Stories before bed can seem taxing. Stepping away from your take-home work can seem impossible. But, wouldn't we all do it if we could immediately see the pay off?

Reading aloud to children is a seemingly simple task that allows for children to connect with parents, grandparents, or caregivers.



By reading aloud, children conceptualize the interaction the same way that they would a two-way conversation. Often during this time, children are asking questions, pointing out new or interesting things in a book, or practicing their listening skills. Each of these interactions further develop the relationships between the reader and the listener. Children engage in a way that they otherwise would not.

Positive interaction and positive relationships are the main contributors to managing and understanding difficult behaviors.

Through the fostering of these relationships, children will also derive more from the content of the stories. The content observed in the books allows children to begin identifying their emotions, and motives. It helps them label how they are feeling as they have heard it described, repeatedly, in everyday stories. The act of listening through a book allows children to learn sequences, taking turns, and patience. The format of a book creates a pattern for them to follow and expect in each of their books, even at a young age.

These tools, paired with the relationships built, allow young children to be more successful in terms of their emotional stability, behavior, language development, social/emotional development, and much more.

Reading aloud with a parent, grandparent, or caregiver can be the most impactful 5 minutes of a child's day.

# **Teacher Birthdays**

Ms. Danita - January 23

# **Enrollment Special**

For all new families enrolling in Endless Discoveries before the end of January, we are offering \$150 off tuition after 30 days.

### **Parents Night Out**

Don't miss this opportunity for inexpensive evening child care on Friday, January 10, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Plus, if your child brings two friends, your child is free!

# **Holidays this Month**

National Hat Day - 1/15 National Popcorn Day - 1/19 MLK Jr. Day - 1/20 Chinese New Year - 1/25