

The Ivy Ledger

Holiday 2016

Notes from Marcy

As 2016 is coming to a close, it's been a pleasure getting to know all of you and your adorable children! I look forward to seeing their smiling faces each day and I'm so proud of everything that they have accomplished. It's wonderful watching them learn and participate in many different activities and projects weekly. In just three months, they have adjusted to school, made many new friends, and are mastering new skills every day.

Thank you for all of your support! We really appreciate everything you do for your children and our school. I am looking forward to an exciting and rewarding 2017 for all. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year from everyone at Ivy League Pre-School!

Dates to Remember

Friday, Dec. 23 – Winter Recess – School Closed at end of day

Tuesday, Jan. 3 – School Reopens

Monday, Jan. 16 – Martin Luther King – School Closed

Monday, Feb. 20 – Presidents' Day – School Closed

[Registration for September 2017 begins Monday, January 9th.](#)
[Please come to the school office to register.](#)

Mommy & Me Miss Sherri

The kids are having a great time in M&M and they've grown in leaps and bounds. They are learning how to socialize, sing along to our fun songs, and their dancing is adorable! I have had a blast singing with **Tate, Ava, Kayla, Jax, Anthony, Christopher, and Tristan.** It's amazing how much they have grown in the last three months. Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday and a very Happy New Year!



Ivy League Pre-School and Camp Open House

Saturday, January 21st

Sunday, January 29th

11:00 AM—2:00 PM

If you have any friends interested in Ivy League please spread the word!
Ask us about our referral incentive program!



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Kindergarten Mrs. Berger and Mrs. Reiter

What a terrific group of kindergarteners we have this year! We are really enjoying them! The children are learning so much every day! They enjoy listening to our stories and playing word games with our puppets. They learned about nouns and verbs, and they know the difference between an author and an illustrator. The children read our word wall daily as well as our little phonics books. Since the children are writing daily, there is a lot of improvement in their penmanship! In Math, the children started out counting and writing numbers, and now they can add and subtract. We have learned about apples, the fall season, fire safety and Christopher Columbus. The children had fun learning the true meaning of Thanksgiving. Our kindergarten class concluded this exciting unit with a special feast! Our girls dressed up as the Pilgrims and our boys dressed up as the Native Americans. We look forward to more learning and more fun as our year goes on! At this time, we would like to wish everyone a very "Happy Holiday" and a "Happy New Year 2017!!"

4's Mrs. Wallerstein and Mrs. Gianquinto

The Thanksgiving Feast was so much fun,
We laughed and learned and ate a ton.
It feels like the warm weather is here to stay,
We can't believe the holidays are only a few days away.
We are learning letters, numbers, and sight words too,
Next we'll be adding numbers it's something brand new.
The holidays have arrived, it's time to cheer,
Have a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season.
See you next year!

3's Mrs. Schmid and Mrs. Gellis

The past few months have been exciting and busy for the children in Mrs. Schmid and Mrs. Gellis' class. We had a wonderful Thanksgiving Feast! The children had fun making their Native American costumes. We have completed our color unit and each child brought home their color book. The children learned all the colors and can even recognize the color words. Our class has been practicing recognizing and writing their names as well as learning the alphabet. The upcoming holidays have been keeping us very busy making crafts, shopping at our Holiday Fair and singing Hanukkah and Christmas songs. The class was extremely proud of the holiday gifts they made for their parents. We wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in 2017!

3's Mrs. Fischer and Mrs. Scotto

We can hardly believe it is our winter break. The children have accomplished so much thus far. They recently completed the unit on colors. They worked with much enthusiasm on their color books. They were so excited to share them with their families. The children worked on their Thanksgiving costumes which came out beautiful. The boys made Pilgrim costumes while the girls made Native American costumes. We hope you enjoyed seeing them wear them as much as they enjoyed making them. We have begun working on the number unit, the shape unit, and have also started the alphabet unit. In the future we will be doing a zoo animal book. The children really enjoy all aspects of school. Friendships have flourished and sharing has become second nature to them. Maria and I want to wish you a very happy and healthy holiday Season and thank you for all the cooperation you have shown us. See you all in the New Year!

2's Mrs. Silverstein and Mrs. Birenkrant

Our class has adjusted beautifully to the school year and their daily routine. They love Circle Time, singing songs, learning the alphabet, colors, art projects and playing with their new friends. For the upcoming holidays, the children will learn about the traditions of Christmas and Hanukkah and will be busy making holiday crafts. We wish everyone a Happy and Healthy holiday season!

4's Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Weinstock

The start of our exciting year came and went,
Here's how our time together so far was spent:
We began learning our letters H, C, L, N, and T...
Who could forget sight words the, is, and me!
Halloween came and our class did their best,
To scare and to amaze us with how they all dressed!
Then there was our Thanksgiving preparations,
Making Native American attire for the celebration.
December is exciting with Christmas and Hanukkah,
And making great projects like Christmas trees and a Menorah!
As you walk by our class you just may,
Hear the Winter Wonderland Performers practicing for their special day!

A performance that brought all parents great cheer,
With innocent voices wishing one and all,
Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!!!



4's Mrs. Turtz and Mrs. Nortwich

We started our school year with a very special guest:
Pete the Cat and his stories were definitely the best!
While Rocking in our School Shoes we learned so much each day,
Letters, sight words, and numbers, then we went off to play!
Our Halloween Parade and trick-or-treating could not be beat,
Each and every costume was a vision and a treat!
Our Thanksgiving Feast and Celebration was so much fun,
Classroom hunting and fishing, then, oh boy, eating a ton!
The magical holidays continue with so much to do,
Christmas and Hanukkah gift-giving from—guess who?
We'll have a wonderful "show", for parents and family, too,
We look forward to singing and sharing, this special time with you!
We wish everyone a wonderful holiday, filled with good health and good cheer,

We also wish everyone a very Happy New Year!



2's Mrs. Delaney and Mrs. B.

Our year has gotten off to a great start,
Your children are sharing and caring with all of their heart.
We are learning about the weather, our colors and so much more,
Oh how they love when Mr. Dragon comes knocking at their door.
The children take such pride in their projects which fill them with delight,
Mrs. B. and I think they are really out of sight.
Halloween was so much fun,
Each of their costumes out did the next one.
The Holidays are finally here,
And we would like to wish you a joyous Holiday and Happy New Year!





Ivy League Day Camp

Continue Your Child's Ivy League Experience All Year Round!!

At Ivy League Day Camp every day is a new adventure! Our camp program is based on an 8 week running session with flexibility. Meaning, you can choose to attend camp for the full 8 weeks, minimum of 4 weeks or anything in between. For ages 2 through 15, Ivy League offers an extraordinary range of premier sports, arts, aquatics and adventure activities to appeal to the interests and abilities of all campers. Throughout the summer campers have daily opportunities to play, learn and have incredible amounts of FUN!



3, 4 and 5 Day Programs

Mini Day and Full Day Programs

Hot/Cold Lunch Served Daily

Programs for ages 2 - 15

American Red Cross Swim Instruction EVERY DAY

Door-to-Door and Central Pick Up

Age Appropriate Athletic & Creative Activities

OPEN HOUSE
 Saturday, January 21st
 Sunday, January 29th
 11:00 - 2:00 PM
 Come tour our Camp facility and meet our Camp Directors.
Register at Open House and Save up to \$100 off current tuition
 2016/2017 Ivy League Pre-School students and siblings receive **15% tuition discount** (7% for half year students).

Call (732) 446-7035 or stop by the Camp office for more Information.
www.ivyleaguedaycamp.com

13 Acre Campus with 5 Heated Pools, Athletic Fields, Mini Golf Course, Gymnastics Pavilion, Air-Conditioned Facilities, Go Carts, Archery, Rock Wall, Bumper Boats and much more!



Reindeer Cookies

- 1 package sugar cookie dough (Pillsbury)
- Give each child a chunk of dough
- Roll it out and use a heart shape cookie cutter
- 2 chocolate chips for eyes
- 1 red M&M for the nose
- 2 pretzel twists for ears



Music Miss Sherri

It has been a great month of learning new songs, as well as traditional holiday ditties with the children and teachers at Ivy League. Songs include the Dreidle song, Jingle Bells, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, Happy Llama, Long Legged Llama, The Fly has Married the Bumble Bee, Bo Bo Ski Waten Taten (a silly rhythmic ditty) and many others. The children are highly focused, listening, and are being challenged in both the right and left hemispheres of their brains. Children who are normally very quiet are singing out in full voices and improving their communication, social, self esteem, and motor skills. We play a variety of non-pitched rhythm instruments together, dance with scarves, prance and have a super fun time. Much thanks to all of the wonderful participatory teachers who support and encourage the students to be not only esteemed academics but also creative and expressive budding musicians.

Miss Sherri is the Director of Honey Child Music, a certified P-3rd grade teacher and music Specialist for over 17 years. She is available for Birthday Parties, Private Piano Lessons and works one on one with children with special needs.



Spanish with Señora B.

Bienvenidos to Spanish Class! We are having so much fun getting to know each other. We started the year off learning how to say hello (hola) and good bye (adios). I've introduced new words to the class by incorporating them into songs and games we play. This is a great way to have them learn while still having a blast. I look forward to watching all the children learn and grow in Spanish Class this year. Adios amigos for now!



Sports & Games with Miss Jeanine

The kids had a blast as teammates and became friends while learning the basic skills to all of the various sports. Basketball, Soccer, T-ball, Hockey, and Football were some of their favorites. We even had relay races and played freeze dance too, but a dance party was sometimes our favorite way to finish off such a fun filled day!



Computers with Mrs. Marcello

iRead, iLearn, iThink, iDiscover
 The keyboard, the mouse, the CPU, and the monitor.
 Learning the computer
 And all of its parts,
 Has been so much fun
 Right from the start.

IVY LEAGUE PRE-SCHOOL PTA HAPPENINGS

Our Holiday Shoppe was a HUGE success! All of our students had a great time shopping for themselves and family members. A BIG thank you to all of our parents and teachers who assisted and volunteered their time -- we could not have done it without you! We will be using the money we raised to make generous donations to local charities and those in need. In addition, a portion of the proceeds will also be set aside for a special treat for our Ivy League students.

We have MANY exciting events currently being planned.
 Please continue to check your e-mail for more information.