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Dear Parents,

This school year is going by fast. Blink and it will be over. The Holidays are almost here and the new year will be upon us. School will be closed for the Holidays on December 22 and will resume on January 8. We will take a breather and come back refreshed!

Our overarching theme has been Super Sleuth and are just finishing up *Mystery*. Next week we will begin *CSI*. The children will become Junior Detectives and will be looking at Evidence of the past.

December 7 the school will be hosting their annual Holiday Music Special from 6-7 in the cafeteria. Come and enjoy the festivities.

Brevard After School Website

Don't forget to go to the Brevard After School 21st CCLC website to get the latest information including newsletters, pictures of students completing challenges, workshop schedules and information, and updates from the Semi-Annual Advisory Board Meetings.

We are all like a snowflake in our own different way.
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Upcoming Events

December 7: Holiday Music Special in the Cafeteria.

December 19, 20 & 21: Early Release days

December 22: Winter Break begins

January 8: School Resumes

What you can do to promote early learning

1. Play with your child and provide opportunities for them to play. Play is essential for healthy brain development.
2. Turn off the TV. A young child's brain is largely shaped by his/her development. Children need activities that stimulate the frontal lobe by involving all the senses, not just passive viewing.
3. Read and talk to your child. Phonemic awareness of sound comes from listening to the human voice.
4. Model the joy of learning and discovery. Go to parks, the beach, zoos and take children on walks. These types of activities stimulate early learning.
5. Connect with your child. Connections boost children's brain potential, encourages cooperation, promotes learning and literacy, increases attention, decreases power struggles and builds loving bonds.

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