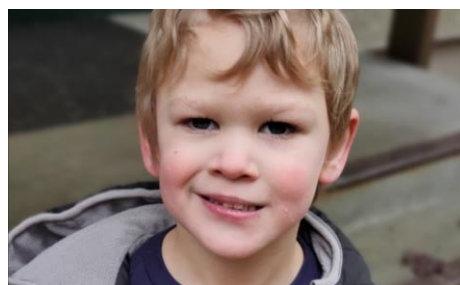




# Welcome January 2023!

Welcome to the New Year ELC Families! We have so many exciting things planned this new year for your children and are so excited to learn all these new and exciting things along side them. As we venture into the remainder of winter, we will be exploring our environment with the rain, and maybe even some snow! We will also talk about preparing for the springtime, and what we will be planting in our gardens this year. We cannot wait!





# Crias Classroom



**We have been exploring:  
Light, Building & Beginning in Nature**

**Looking forward to:  
Big Body Movements, Outdoor Exploration**

Hello and Happy January Crias Families! This month, your children have been hard at work exploring light, growth, and new beginnings in nature. To foster this exploration we played flashlight tag, discussed and painted butterflies, and colored some of our favorite flowers. The children also were all about building this month, so we incorporated that into our day as well! We build towers and houses with all shapes and sizes of blocks and toys in and out of the classroom. We are preparing now to focus on our outside world more by doing activities such as leaf printing, rain catching, and moving our bodies in big safe ways using our tumbling mat. We cannot wait to show you all the fun learning and exploring we have been doing and are so excited for what is to come!

-Leif



**Reminders: Please monitor your child for any signs of illness and keep them home if they feel unwell. Additionally, please be sure that your child has a coat, tufto, and boots in their cubby and that all properly fit your child.**



# Ewes Classroom



**We have been exploring:  
Winter, Habitats,  
Spelling Our Names**

**Looking forward to:  
Our Garden, More Habitats,  
Field Trips**



Happy January Families! This last month has been so fun with your children. We welcomed our new teacher, Violet, to our class and she has been planning such amazing projects and activities. This month the children began exploring gorillas and all different types of habitats other animals live in. We also began discussing our class garden and began clearing out the raised beds in our playground. The children have been talking about what they want to grow this spring, and what we can make with our harvest. We are so excited to see what February brings for the Ewes!

- Violet



**Reminders: Please make sure your child has a rain jacket, tuffo and rain boots. Please label everything with your child's name as well as it makes it easier to identify throughout the busy day.**

# Center Announcements!

Read the announcements below to find out exciting things coming to the ELC!

- The Ewes class will begin taking field trips to the farm school next month! Keep an eye out for the permission slips. Please be sure that your child has the proper equipment to go to the farm. This includes rain boots, a rain suit (we recommend Tuffo brand), a hat, and extra clothes.
- There was an email sent out with new paperwork for families. Please review and fill them out as soon as possible and return them to the office.

