



# JANUARY

## A Note from the Director:

- We typically hold parent-teacher conferences the first week of February. Since nothing about this school year is typical, we are working to come up with a safe way to conduct these meetings. Parent-teacher conferences provided a great opportunity for parents to connect with their child's teacher. Look for more information to be sent home later this month.
- We will begin registration for the 2021-22 school year for current families on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Online Resource of the Month:

<https://detroitzoo.org/penguins-live-cam>

*Enjoy watching the penguins  
living their best life!*

**FYI**

You can find the monthly Newsletter, Calendar and Menu on our website by visiting:  
[www.churchofthecross.com/lexington-child-development-center](http://www.churchofthecross.com/lexington-child-development-center)

## 7 ACTIVITIES TO GET YOU THROUGH WINTER

- 1. Build a cardboard play house (or rocket ship)** – Pick up a large box from a local builder or furniture store. Encourage your child to use things around the house to decorate the house.
- 2. Make homemade play dough or slime** – The internet has many great recipes, plus your kids will have so much fun making it and then playing with it afterward.
- 3. Make marshmallow structures** – Use dried spaghetti and mini marshmallows to build anything your child can imagine!
- 4. Let your child take a “Mad Scientist” bath** – Gather up various sized plastic cups, small containers, spray bottles and funnels, and set up a plastic stool in the bathtub. Add soap and bubbles and let them use the stool as a table to line up the “experiments”.
- 5. Indoor scavenger hunt** – Hide clues around the house for a hunt that will keep them busy solving riddles and working as a team. Leave a “treasure chest” at the end with a few treats for a special surprise.
- 6. Make a marble race track** – Cut a pool noodle in half lengthwise to make two race tracks. Set them up side by side on your stairs or propped up on the couch. Let the kids race their marbles or small cars.



## FAIR

...conforming with established standards or rules.

1. Practice Turn-taking. This is a good starting point for the especially young.
2. Notice **Fair** and **Unfair**. Draw attention to behaviors in books, movies, and in life when others are acting in a **fair** or **unfair** manner.
3. Praise fairness. Take a moment to recognize and verbalize when your child is acting out of fairness.

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