

# December

I can't believe we have made it to the end of the year! As we say goodbye to 2022, let's look back at what the kiddos have been up to in the rooms...

## Rocky Mountain Room

- Maximillian built an incredible Lego maze with the help of some friends. He worked on this for at least 2 weeks!
- Staff provoked the children into DIY snow globes (<<see picture of Lynne and her snow globe). They used air dry clay to make the little figures inside and filled it with some fake snow and glued it into place.
- Quinn, Brooklyn, Danton, Jackson and Mason have been putting together sticker mosaic pictures. They create an image using little stickers and in the end it all comes together to make a beautiful picture.
- Dramatic play spaces have been all the rave last month! The children played in a grocery store - selling fruits, veggies, and other assorted items. They used the cash register to sell to one another as well!
- The children have also been practicing their chores skills! They loved using the sink, washing dishes and the produce that they had "purchased."

## Enchanted Forest Room

- This room has been all about the dramatic play. Sarah has staged many environments for the children to play with and explore!
- This past month the area has been set up as a candy shop. Kayden's Sweet Shop to be exact! Kayden, Oliver, Kadrian, Bruce, Talon, and many others wrapped little "candies" to sell at the shop. They were so engaged that Kayden expanded the play by using his knowledge of AHS and their inspections. He said he found mice poop (NOT REAL!) in one of the candies and he needed to shut down his shop to clean! Kadrian and Kayden put on their PPE and got straight to work!



LOONEY TUNES

- Jason, Kasper, Alex, and Jesse were the 'AHS inspectors' and were making sure that Kadrian and Kayden cleaned up the shop back up to standards. Jason had his checklist and Kasper was inspecting...Alex and Jesse decided that they needed to check the security...noticed it wasn't there and **STARTED TO STEAL THE CANDY!!**
  - It was amazing to see how the play evolved as more children joined into the fun. Each child brought a different aspect of knowledge and curiosity to the group.
- Sarah has been observing the children have been curious about wordsearches. She created some for the children where they had to search for the staff names and their own names! Bruce, Oliver, and Talon have been loving it and asking for more!
- Alex, Jesse, Kasper and Jerry play basketball on the hoop in the doorway...it has gotten a little dicey at times!! We are very sorry for the parents who have got caught in the crossfire!! Crystal put up a new hoop away from the door, hehe hopefully no one else gets a ball accidentally thrown at them.

## Kinders

- Kinders have been up to so much this past month! Together they have all been doing group cooking, as I am putting this together, they are making shortbread cookies! Yum!
- Diamond paintings and perler beads has been a staple activity to have available for the kiddos. The focus and determination to finish is remarkable.
- The kinders wrote their letters to Santa already and hopefully he gets the letters before Christmas!! They also were making cards for family and friends
- When playing group activities, they always ask to play musical chairs!! As it was cold and we were cooped up inside, this was a great way to have some healthy and fun competition with one another.



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- **December 26 to January 2 - EASCA Closed**
- **January 3-6 – EASCA Open all day, No school**

# December Birthdays!

**Adelyn, Dec. 6** – I wish to spend time with mom, dad, and Mason.

**Sarah (Staff!), Dec. 8** – I wish to spend time with my family and friends.

**Kanchana (Staff!), Dec. 10** – I wish to spend quality time with my husband and daughters.

**Sophia, Dec. 12** – I wish for my own headphones. My mom's are broke and my dads are too big!

**Hayden, Dec. 18** – I wish for peace.

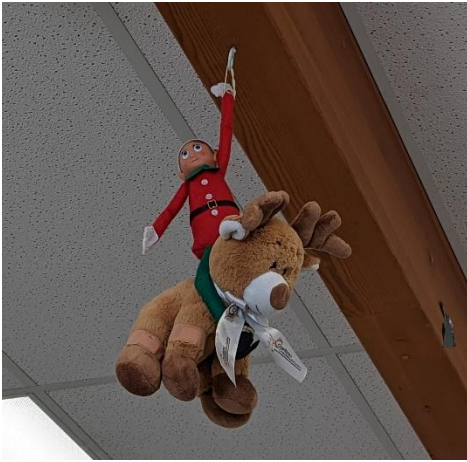
**Jackson, Dec. 22** – I'm having a party at the park next to the tall building!



**Kadrian, Dec. 13** – I would like a really big “Creeper Mine” from Minecraft.

**Nikola, Dec. 18** – I wish to get a NERF gun!

**Tyson, Dec. 29** – I would like to go bowling with my family.



Elf on a Shelf has arrived to EASCA!  
Their names are Sleigh and Buddy, one is a little naughtier than his brother!  
When you pick up your kiddos see if you can spot what kinds of shenanigans they are getting up to.



The Hot Lunch menu for January to March is coming soon! Crystal is collecting ideas from the kiddos and the staff, getting feedback from previous hot lunch hits to make an awesome menu!

Just as a reminder!! Don't forget to check your email for the new password for when you drop off and pick up!

# WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT CHRISTMAS?

Having lots of presents.  
- Nikola

I am excited to see  
the Christmas toys. -  
Lynne

Spending time with family  
and friends. - Quinn

Kanchana: I like sleeping in a little later.  
And I like to cook and gathering with my  
friends and family. I love watching Home  
Alone and other Christmas movies.

The Christmas tree is my favorite  
part! I have one in the basement!  
- Jerry

Spending time with friends and  
family - Brooklyn

To get presents. - Tyson

No school, but we have EASCA.  
- Amelia

I like presents! - Emma

Crystal: I love it all. I love the lights, the music,  
making gingerbread houses with the kids. I  
don't care how old my kids are I will make  
them build a gingerbread house with me.

Getting presents and spending  
time with family. - Danton

I don't know...presents. -  
Alex

The elf on the shelf! - Helen

Getting presents and eating cookies. -

Oliver T.

Spending time with my family. -  
Adelyn

Getting presents, the  
same as Talon! - Bruce

Sarah: Spending time with family and  
relaxing. Enjoying the holiday.

Gingerbread men!! - Oliver L.

Getting presents from Santa  
and taking pictures. - Caitlyn

A lot of gifts! - Maximillian

Hong: I like the partying,  
decorations, singing and dancing!

Presents!!  
- Marcus

Having a lot of presents  
and magic. - Elina

Being together  
with my family. -  
Lena

My favorite part  
about Christmas is  
seeing Santa Claus  
and receiving  
presents. - Jordyn

Getting presents! -  
Adaline

Spending time with  
everyone. - Mason

Candy canes and presents, mostly  
unwrapping presents, it's fun to  
see what they are! - Sophie

Staying home from school.  
- Isabela

Marjorie: watching it snow  
and I love the pine trees with  
snow on them because we  
don't have snow back home!

Getting presents! - Talon

Getting toys for Christmas. -  
Alexander

My favorite part is getting presents.  
- Kadrian

Receiving lots of presents.  
- Adrianna

Wendy: I love cooking for my family  
ad the feeling of happiness and love  
when my family is all together. Can't  
forget the Christmas music too!

