January 2025

Kid Zone News

A monthly newsletter about your kids!

Scarf Bombing with One Good Deed

Thank you for your generosity during our warm clothing collection! Thanks to all of you we were able to provide an overflowing large box of hats, mittens, jackets, blankets, scarves, and more! Saturday January 4th, One Good Deed will distribute these items to local parks to countless people in need.

Winter Outdoor Gear

Please remember to make sure all your child's winter gear is at Kid Zone every day. We have a very limited supply of extras on hand. Please label all gear as well

January Closures

As a reminder, Kid Zone will be CLOSED on Monday, January 1st for New Year's Day and Monday, January 20th for Martin Luther King Jr Day.

Winter Break

The Kid Zone staff was looking forward to their winter break, seeing friends and family, and relaxing! We hope you were able enjoy this time to make wonderful family memories!

Kid Zone Illness Policy

As the colder weather sets in we wanted to give a quick reminder of the Kid Zone Illness Policy (page 24 of the 2024 <u>Parent Handbook</u>). Please be aware that ill children need to be picked up within an hour of being contacted by Kid Zone. Please see Melissa or Ashlee S with questions.



Upcoming Events

January 1

Kid Zone CLOSED

January 6

Kid Zone Board meeting

January 13

Pre-paid tuition due

January 20

Kid Zone CLOSED: Martin Luther King Jr Day

January 27

Pre-paid tuition due

3 Years

Kid Zone will have been in Hopkins for 3 years in January 2025! We have learned a lot about the building and have had several amazing teachers join our team. We look forward seeing what 2025 has instore for us!

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More Important News

Board Bulletin

Hello from the Board! We hope everyone had a great holiday season and are excited for 2025! A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated in Give To The Max. Giving was up year-over-year, and your generosity helped us get about halfway to our ambitious goal! We are grateful for the community's support, and your donations will help address the erosion on the North Playground and replace the trees we needed to remove in the fall. These projects will kick off in the late spring, and we'll be sure to keep you updated throughout the process. Thank you, again! Lastly, the board is actively looking for new members to start in April. If you are interested in learning more, check out the FAQ, linked here, and if you'd like to apply, please complete and submit the KZ Board Application. The deadline is set for January 17th, and we encourage you to consider joining us!



Review

Is your family enjoying their time at Kid Zone? If so, please consider leaving a review with your thoughts on Google!

Snow/Ice (maybe)

If the snow and cold temperatures end up finding us, please use caution while in the parking lot and on the sidewalks. They can get very slippery. We work to be diligent with salting the sidewalks but please use caution!

Kid Zone 2025

With 2025 moving closer and closer, we want to take a moment to let you update our classroom staff listings:

- Duckling Cove: Ms. Gloria, Mr. Alex, Ms. Faith, Ms. Kayla, Ms. Heather, Ms. Gabby, and Ms. Lexus (she will be joining Kid Zone on January 2nd)
- Turtle Rock: Ms. Chelsea, Ms. Petra, and Ms. Lacey
- Bunny Burrow: Ms. Pakou, Ms. Kelli, and Ms. Nuerina
- Bear Cub Cave: Ms. Danah and Ms. Stephanie
- Moose Trail: Ms. Denise, Ms. Allie, and Ms. Claire
- Fox Den: Ms. Ashlee W. and Ms. Ashlynn
- **Owl Nest:** Ms. Bobbi, Mr. Ben, and Ms. Makalya (she will be joining Kid Zone on January 2nd). Ms. Tillie will be with Kid Zone until January 10th. She then will be going to school for environmental studies program
- Food and Nutrition: Ms. Jill, Ms. Alli, and Mr. Henry.
- Office: Melissa, Ashlee, Tyler

Kiddie Krack-Ups

- Sitting at breakfast and the sun is shining very brightly into the room. Andie says, "The sun is LITERALLY looking in our classroom!"- Andie P
- Theo L grabbed smelled Ms Ashlee S's hair. Theo said "your hair smells like my grandma's house. I like my grandma's house!"