



# Play N Learn

## December 2017

*Family  
Connections  
of Southwest  
Wisconsin*

### December Calendar

- 14—Cookie Exchange 11:00-Noon
- 21—PAL Christmas Party, during Play N Learn
- 25—Christmas Day
- 28—No PAL

**Happy Holidays!**

## Make Beaded Candy Cane Ornaments!

### Supplies:

- Pipe cleaners
- Pony Beads—red and white for a traditional candy cane, or any color you want!

### Instructions:

- Cut pipe cleaners in half.
- Slide one bead to the end of a pipe cleaner, turning the end around the bead to keep it in place. Add beads until the pipe cleaner is full.
- Turn the end around the last bead. Bend into a candy cane shape and hang on your tree, or use as a package decoration!

Source: <https://fountainavenuekitchen.com/holiday-crafts/>



# Upcoming Play N'Learn News

**Join us every Thursday from 9:30—  
11:00 for fun in the Discovery Room,  
gym, and playground!**

**Remember, no Play N Learn on Dec 28.**

## Winter Fun!

### GINGERBREAD PLAY DOUGH RECIPE

- 1/4 cup Molasses
- 3/4 cup Cornstarch
- 4 tsp Baking Soda
- 2 tsp Water
- 2 Tbsp Vegetable oil
- 1/4 tsp Cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp Allspice
- 2 Tbsp + 2 tsp Flour

Mix the cornstarch, baking soda, cinnamon, and allspice. Then add the water, oil, and molasses. Add 2 tablespoons of flour. Then keep adding flour 1/2 teaspoon at a time, mixing well after each addition, until your dough is no longer sticky.

This will make about a cup and a half of YUMMY smelling play dough!

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