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An Extra-Special Valentine's Day for Mill Neck Students
Early Childhood Center Hosts Special Persons Day

Valentine's Day wasn't *just* Valentine's Day at Mill Neck Manor Early Childhood Center (ECC). Even better; it was also Special Persons Day! At this annual event, classrooms welcome guests to share in activities like Valentine-themed crafts including personalized photo frames and treat decorating, as well as story time. Children also present their visitors with handmade cards they make in anticipation of their fun day together. While most of the special visitors this year were grandparents, there were also cousins, aunts and uncles among the students' honored guests. And what would the day be without enjoying some sweets, like the festive cookies with white icing and pink sprinkles? From the delighted looks of students and guests alike, it seemed like a special day was shared by all once again!

Founded in 1991, the Early Childhood Center provides early and intensive assistance to children, ages 3 and 4, who may have deficits in speech, language/communication, cognitive and gross and fine motor development. The Center also provides full evaluations of preschool children suspected of having developmental delays. Most children who attend the program graduate and attend kindergarten in their home school districts. For more information about the Early Childhood Center, please call (516) 922-4100, ext. 276, or visit <http://www.millneck.org>.

Photo Captions:

- 1.) Picture this: Preschooler Samiyah Michalski shows off her specially-crafted photo frame.
- 2.) Christopher Thompson shares a smile with his grandma.
- 3.) Caroline Gilhuley looks happy to spend quality time with her grandpa.

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