



January Newsletter

Pre-Kindergarten Chipmunks

2018

January Themes:

Jan. 2-12: Welcome Winter

Jan. 16-26: Snowmen Fun

Important Reminder:

Winter is definitely here! Brrr... Please check your child's extra clothes bin if it needs to be replenished with 2 pairs of pants, shirts, underwear and socks. The children also need appropriate footwear for the playground for their safety. For snow play, your child will need snowpants, snowboots, hats, and mittens. Due to very cold weather and a bitter windchill, the office will always let us know where we are not able to go outside. But we Chipmunks love our outdoor play and enjoy our time outside!

Important Dates:

Monday, Jan. 1st: Closed for New years day

Jan. 4th-9th: Ms. Amy will be on vacation

Tuesday, Jan. 9: Reagan's Birthday

Monday, Jan. 15th: Closed for Martin Luther King Day

Friday, Jan. 19th: Kindergarten Open House (more info on the back)

January 2nd-12th - Welcome Winter

Winter is here and the Chipmunks are so excited to play in the snow. This week we will be talking about Winter. The chipmunks will be able to *explore and experiment with wet and dry media in a variety of colors*. We have a ton of exciting art projects happening this week and the following week. The Chipmunks will be doing some ice painting using colored ice cubes. They will create their own snow globes and marshmallow igloos. Within these two weeks we'll be learning about winter animals such as Walruses, Polar bears and Penguins. The Chipmunks will be creating paper plate penguins and polar bears using shaving cream. This week and next week we will be talking and learning all about letters A and P.

January 16th-19th / 22nd-26th - Snowmen Fun

These two weeks the Chipmunks will be having fun learning about and making different types of snowmen. The snowmen theme is a chipmunk favorite! We will be making snowmen using bottle caps and dixie cups as well as making puffy paint snowmen. The children will also be making melted snowmen by painting with white paint and glue onto wax paper and adding buttons, paper hats, and stick arms. We will be exploring a variety of age appropriate materials to make two and three-dimensional artwork. We will be singing "Frosty the Snowman" as well as reading Snowmen at Night, The biggest Snowmen Ever, A Silly Snowy Day, and many other snowmen stories. This week we will be learning about the letter I and will review all three letters, A, P and I.

Italics:DOE Standards

Wish List:

Band-aids

Cottonballs

White socks (any size) (**Due 1/19/18**)

Bag of mini Marshmallows

2 container of vanilla frosting

Empty 2 liter bottles (**Due 1/5/18**)

Sugar cubes

Shaving Cream

Small white papaer plates

Q-tips

1 bag of shredded coconut

1 container of raisins

Glue gun

Electric Penicil Sharpener



Thank You's:

Zachary- Newspaper and water bottles

Aria- Applesauce and Latkes

Jacob- Extra T-shirt and cottonballs

Aine- Extra T-shirts

PJ- Extra gloves and hat

Sam- Scotch tape refills

Jack- Sandwich bags, wax paper and cottonballs

We would also like to give a warm welcome to Sebastian and his family who will be joining us at the beginning of January!

Kindergarten Open House:

The Kindergarten Open House is scheduled for **Friday, January 19th, 2018** from **6-7pm**. Please come join Ms. Jen and Ms. Lynne to learn all about our kindergarten program. Hope to see you all there!