



Mrs. Vaughan / Mrs. Shapiro

Pre-K December Newsletter 2018

I can't believe it's already December! December will be a fun and busy month with our Christmas program, all of the preparations, Pajama Day, and the children's excitement about Santa visiting our classroom!

As the days continue to get shorter and the weather gets colder, please do not forget to dress your child appropriately (we will go outside or into the muscle room each day).

This month our classroom will be very busy making Christmas gifts, Christmas crafts and wrapping in "Santa's Workshop."

We will start the month off by talking about the letter Gg and end our short month learning about the letter Ss. Rice will fill our sensory table the first and second week before we start our holiday break. At the Science Center they will be playing with gingerbread scented playdough and Christmas slime! In the Math Center we will continue measuring, graphing and sorting, however, this month we will be using gumdrops to do these fun and important activities! Tally O'Malley, Less Than Zero and The Great Graph Contest are our Math books of the month. The children will also play some gingerbread and Christmas path counting games. We will explore the numbers 11 and 12. Our Dramatic Play area will become Santa's Workshop where the children can wrap gifts. **(We are looking for ribbon and bow donations as well as any extra boxes of any size you have around the house.)** In our art area, we will be making many Christmas themed crafts like stockings, ornaments, candy canes, wreaths and Christmas trees. At our writing center, I am encouraging the children to write holiday cards. **(We are looking for donations of any extra holiday cards, pads of paper**

(any type), envelopes and stickers.) They will also be practicing making letters/words in sand and X-mas sprinkles.

Please look for our volunteer sign ups outside of our classroom!

The Ungerbuehler family and the Costa family have volunteered to make our class Gingerbread play dough. **Please make sure to make enough for 4 children to play at a time.**

Star of the Week: Dec. 3-6 Paisley Neal

December Birthdays: Emma Bowling – December 27th

Our Christmas party will be on Thursday, December 13th. The AM class party will be from 10:00-11:00. The PM party will be from 1:30-2:30.

We will continue to practice for our Christmas program daily. Please practice the children's lines with them each day. The Children are singing Away in the Manger, Joy to the World, We Three Kings and Silent Night. Feel free to sing these songs at home with your child. We are also singing The Virgin Mary and Up On The Housetop.

At this time, we want to wish each of you a very Blessed and Joyous Christmas and please remember if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask!

Special Reminders:

Christmas Program (AM)- Tuesday, December 10th at 6:30

Christmas Program (PM)-Wednesday, December, 11th at 6:30

Pajama Day, Santa's visit and Christmas party- December 13th

School resumes – January 3rd

All children may bring in show and tell on Thursday, January 3th.