

Community Preschool Press



December 2009

Peggy's

Paragraph..

I hope the conferences were as informative for you as they were for the teachers. Conferences give the parents and teachers a chance to exchange information about the children. Please remember that the staff is always available for any questions or concerns that you may have about your children.

Please remember that if it is your child's special day, but you do not need to be helper, that you still provide the snack and drink. There are always extra snacks here, but lately the teachers have had to scramble at the last minute because they were not aware that a snack was not provided.

Please remember when the weather warrants boots, remove them upstairs to help alleviate slippery stairs. If you have younger siblings in the car, it might be a good idea to ask another parent to walk your child into the school so you don't need to take the siblings out of the car. Also, please label boots since another child may have the same pair and that could cause some confusion.

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic Books have a very nice variety of books that would make great holiday gifts for reasonable prices. To insure delivery before break, orders are due by Friday, December 3rd. You may place your order form in the blue box or order online, using the activation code: *GVGQ4*

Stoller Fundraiser

Thank you again for your participation in the cookie fundraiser. Hopefully, you have already enjoyed some of your purchases. Congratulations to the Caudill family on the month of free tuition.

Items Needed

Clean vegetable and fruit trays
Brown grocery bags
Clean frosting and yogurt containers with lids
empty pringle cans with lids

Santa' Helpers

Community Preschool's families have been Santa's helpers for the last 12 years for the Positive Education Program (PEP) Early Intervention Center located in Lyndhurst. This center assists families throughout Cleveland who have preschoolers with special needs, especially delays in social development.

These families are less fortunate and are in need of assistance to help brighten their holidays. When school resumes after Thanksgiving, "wish lists" for these children will be available for you to provide new or gently used gifts for these children.

Please know that these families are very appreciative of your generosity.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

The busy holiday season is upon us as we prepare to celebrate Hanukkah or Christmas. The children will have a holiday program for you followed by a "surprise" visitor. Your help and silence is needed for this to be successful. You are to purchase a gift for your child, (\$5- \$10 limit), wrap it and clearly label it with your child's first and last name. You need to smuggle it to your child's teacher or place it in the properly marked box in the green room. (last room on the left) All three year olds will have their celebration on Friday, December 17th.

All three year old classes will come at 9:00 a.m. and the parents will return at 10:30 a.m. for a few holiday songs followed by the surprise visitor. Make sure you bring your camera. Santa will pose for pictures with your child. Festivities will take place in the social hall.

The four year olds classes and the Pre K class will host their program on Wednesday, December 16th. All four year olds and the Pre K class will come to school at their regular class time. The parents will return at 10:30 a.m./2:00 p.m. The children will have a holiday performance for you. Please bring your cameras! Our surprise visitor will arrive after the children's performance. Please keep the visitor a surprise!

If you will be bringing siblings to the program, you may also bring gifts for them as well. Please wrap them and label them with their first and last names. Place the siblings gifts in the box designated for his/her sibling's class.

Please keep to the limit of \$5-\$10 so that the children see that Santa was equally good to all of them. The children tend to compare the size and contents of their gifts.

The staff respects everyone's beliefs during the holidays and discusses the highlights of the holiday. If your belief is to tell your child that S _ _ _ a is not real that is your choice, but please tell him/her that is your belief. There have been a few children very sad if they hear someone say that there is no S _ _ _ a!



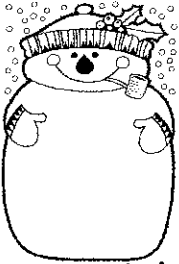
OPEN HOUSE

Community Preschool will host an Open House in January to begin open registration for the 2011-2012 school year. If you have any family or friends who are looking for a preschool for their child, please give their name and address to Peggy so an invitation can be sent to them. The entire staff is on hand to share the philosophy of the school and give tours of the facility. You, the parents are our best advertisement!

You will receive \$10 in Community Cash for for anyone who registers their child at Community Preschool for the 2011 school year and puts your name down on the registration form.

Head Check

The staff will do head checks on the children's return to school after the holidays. Please try to remember not to have your daughter's hair in a ponytail. Thank you!



Weather

Alert

If " the weather

outside is frightful", please

tune to your radio or television for school closings. They begin announcing as early as 5:30 a.m. Community Preschool follows West Geauga Schools. If they close, we are also closed. Please check WKYC and WEWS TV for school closings. It will also be posted on the website.

There have been times that the weather has gotten treacherous during the morning when school is in session. West Geauga has canceled afternoon kindergarten classes. Please call the preschool if you notice the change in the weather. We can notify the afternoon classes if we need to cancel. Thank you! This year the teachers will inform the parents the day before there will be an outside play day. This way you do not need to haul the winter clothes everyday.

Website

Please remember to check the website:

www.communitypreschoolkids.com for reminders and announcements. You can always find upcoming important dates in the announcements.

January tuition is due by December 15th. Thank you!!

Enrichment Sessions

A three week session for enrichment will begin on Monday, November 29th. This is open to 4 year old morning classes and the PreK class. Check your cubbies for all information.

20th Anniversary Celebration Community Preschool will have a family event in May to culminate the preschool's anniversary. It is promises to be a lot of fun, but it is a lot of work. There will be a sign up sheet on the Bulletin Board for anyone who would like to be on this committee and help plan and organize the day's events.

Winter Break

All 4 year old classes and the Pre K class begin winter break after the Holiday program on Wednesday, December 15th. Three year olds begin the winter break after the Holiday program on Friday, December 17th. Classes resume Monday, January 3rd.

Wishing you a healthy and Happy New Year!

3's



The three year olds will have a short but fun month. They will discuss Christmas and the importance of giving to others. They will be busy making a special holiday gift and wrapping paper. They will make Rudolph. They will also enjoy Gingerbread boy. The children will make an ornament for the Christmas tree in the social hall. The color of the month is green and the shape is the star.

On Friday, December 17th all three year olds classes will come to school at 9:00 a.m. You will return at 10:30 a.m. for a few holiday songs followed by a visit by Santa.

Please do not tell the children about this surprise visitor. Remember to bring in your present for your child and put it in the green room in the designated box. The 3 day three year olds return to school on Wednesday, January 5th. The 2 day three year olds return on Thursday, January 6, 2011!

4's



The four year olds will continue to be busy this month. They will design a special bulletin board in the social hall. They will also make an ornament for the school tree.

The four year olds will be making a special gift for you so don't ask any questions!! The four year olds will be introduced to the letter "J".

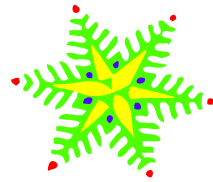
They will make a Gingerbread and meet up with Rudolph. The four year olds and Pre K class will have a short Holiday program on Wednesday, December 15th. ALL 4 year olds and the Pre K class arrive at their usual class time.

Parents will return at 10:30 a.m./2:00 p.m. The culmination of the program will be a surprise visitor! Bring your cameras!!



The staff wishes you and your families a very blessed Holiday season. May you all enjoy the holidays through the eyes of your children!

PRE K



The Pre K class will enjoy the hustle and bustle of the upcoming holidays. They will help design the bulletin board. The Pre K class will reinforce their counting and calendar skills by making a Countdown to Christmas Santa. The children will also



talk about Hanukkah. All aboard the Polar Express!! The children will recreate the Polar Express. Please send in an empty box by December 3rd that your child can fit into. See example by Pre K table. The letter "K" will be introduced to the Pre K class this month. The children will have a Gingerbread Day and will also have a Rudolph Day as well. The Pre K will make a special gift for their families. The Holiday program is Wednesday, December 15th at 10:30 a.m. Winter vacation will begin after the program. Classes resume on Monday, January 3rd..