



PRESCHOOL FOR ALL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024



How is it December already? Even though November was a short month, we did a lot in the time we had together. We have a busy month ahead of us as we prepare for the holidays!

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

In November, we finished working on our Ball Study. We focused on the questions “What makes balls move?” and “Who uses balls?”. The students used straws to make cotton balls move across the carpet and the table. We worked on many different activities, including a game that helped us with our memory skills and making shapes on geoboards.

We also worked on some Thanksgiving activities. We made ourselves into Pilgrim boys and girls. We practiced our counting skills by rolling a die and counting the number of “whipped cream dollops” (cotton balls) we put on our pumpkin pie. We also enjoyed coming together with Ms. Erin’s class for a special music program from Music Playhouse! The kids loved singing and dancing during the program!

Over the next couple weeks, we will enjoy some holiday activities, such as a letter match game, a holiday counting game and a holiday bingo game. We are also looking forward to a PreK pajama day on Wednesday, December 18, where students can wear a comfy pair of pajamas, bring a stuffed animal and enjoy a special snack of waffles!

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who met with me for Parent-Teacher Conferences! It was so nice to see everyone and touch base about the wonderful progress all of the students have made so far!

PARENT-INVOLVEMENT: GINGERBREAD HOUSES

Our gingerbread house parent-involvement event will be held on Tuesday, December 10 at 1:15 in the gym. Students will attend at their normal time and parents are invited to join us at 1:15 to decorate our houses. We look forward to a fun day!

OUTDOOR TIME

Just a reminder, we try to get outside for our gross motor time when the weather permits. This means we spend time outside when the temperature (with wind chill) is 30 degrees or above, as long as the park/blacktop are not covered in too much snow and ice. Please remember to dress your child appropriately, including warm coats, hats, gloves and scarves.

Also, our large motor time at the park is an important part of our daily schedule and curriculum. To ensure students are receiving their full large motor time at the park, we ask that parents and older siblings picking up students do not approach the park area/fence until preschoolers are lining up to go home. We greatly appreciate your cooperation!

SAVE THE DATE

- **Tuesday, December 3** – Pictures with Santa
- **Tuesday, December 10** – Parent-Involvement – Gingerbread Houses 1:15
- **Wednesday, December 18** –Pajamas and Waffles Day
- **Friday, December 20** – No EC/Preschool Classes – District Early Dismissal Day
- **Monday, December 23 – Monday, January 6** – Winter Break
- **Tuesday, January 7** – Classes Resume
- **Monday, January 20** – No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

As always, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me via Seesaw, call me at (708) 423-3078 or email me at cbrychel@ahsd125.org.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Colleen Brychel

Happy
Holidays!