Wonder Years Academy

December 2021 Newsletter

**Last month was a busy one at preschool!** We had our unit on colors, made a beautiful tree with fall leaves during our fall unit, and then things got *really noisy* during our music unit – we even had a visit from the Music Man! It’s always a lot of fun to see our students being creative. Just before the Thanksgiving break we talked about the holiday and what it means to be thankful, including some of the things your children are thankful for. Then the last few days of November started out with Community Helpers (our Jobs unit), which continues through the beginning week of December.

**This month** is a shorter one because of the holiday break, but surprisingly it is still super busy! As mentioned above, we start out by finishing up **J is for Jobs** (community helpers), then move on to **K is for Kite** (shapes, patterns, and opposites), and finish up **with L is for Lights** (Christmas unit) right up until the holiday break. We will have a little Christmas party with special games and activities on the last days before break.

**NO SCHOOL** 12/17 thru 01/02 for Christmas break!

Classes will resume on

 Thurs 01/03

Also please remember that if the Alpine School District cancels school due to snow, power outages, or any other reason, preschool will also close for that day(s). This even applies to “Late starts”, so be sure you check the ASD website for updated school closure information.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**Please see reverse side for November calendar**

As the weather turns colder we certainly do not expect our teachers to stand out in rain or snow during school drop-off and pick-up times! Additionally, the stairs leading to the preschool entrance will not be safe when there is snow accumulation. So please be aware that during inclement weather the front door will be the entrance and exit points for drop-offs and pickups! It will be pretty obvious when this is the case, as a teacher will be on the porch directing children, but if you are late dropping off your child or need to pick them up early, please ring the front door bell instead of coming down the usual preschool entrance. Normal drop off and pick up times apply. AND ALWAYS PARK ON THE CORRECT SIDE OF THE STREET, EVEN IF YOU ARE RUNNING LATE.

Please remember to “restock” your child’s backpack with an extra set of underwear and pants/shorts in case of an accident. We have had several accidents this year where the original set of clothing was needed, but parents forgot to put another clean set in the backpack for the next time! Also, if your child has had multiple accidents so far this year, please consider sending them to preschool in a Pull-Up for awhile, while you work on toileting skills at home.