

JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

Dear parents,

Happy New Year! We hope all of you enjoyed our long break with your families. It has been great to hear stories from the children about their experiences over the holidays. We're happy to be back into our regular routine again.

Please look for a 2018-2019 registration packet to come home in about two weeks. It's already time to begin thinking about the class you want for next year. Be sure to read the packet in its entirety. The Preschool Advisory Board implemented a few minor changes for next year. Please feel free to contact your teachers for their input about your child's placement if you have any questions. I am also happy to give advice and encouragement if needed. We hope all of you will be interested in returning.

Stay warm out there!

Sincerely,
Rhonda

CALENDAR DATES

January 15-School holiday

February 1st-Registration begins for current students and church members

March 1st-Registration opens to the public

THEMES for JANUARY

Winter

Winter Animals

Snow

From the book, Conscious Discipline by Becky Bailey

Children are disciplined when:

- they are shown positive alternatives
- they see how their actions affect others
- see that adults in their life establish clear, simple rules and enforce them consistently

Thus, they learn to share cooperatively, they are better able to handle their own anger, they feel successful and in control of themselves.

SCIENCE & SPANISH NEWS

The children will be involved in experiments involving winter weather this month. We'll also talk about animal hibernation.

In Spanish we are continuing to converse together with new vocabulary words each week. Ask your child to speak in Spanish for you!

MUSIC NEWS

The Christmas programs were wonderful! Thanks to all of you for your kind words about both performances. The children were so happy.

New songs will be introduced and we'll continue to engage in interactive music during this year.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Happy New Year! We hope 2018 proves to be a wonderful year for you and your family! We will begin the year finding out all we can about snow. We will read books about snow, make snowmen and draw snow pictures. We will do a snow dance and even have a snowball fight. We will end our study on snow by warming up with a snack we make ourselves. We will learn about bears and their hibernation patterns. We will make a cave and bring bears from home to hibernate as we count the days until the first day of spring! Our featured author this month is Jan Brett who has written several books with a winter setting. Stay warm and wish for snow!