

Ansonia Early Childhood

December 2021

November Highlights

Can you believe Christmas is almost here? In November, the students enjoyed listening to the story Turkey Trouble and enjoyed pizza for their Thanksgiving lunch. The pizza was delicious! We would like to thank The Whistle Stop for making a special delivery to us!

Conferences

Thank you to all the parents who signed up to come in for Parent/Teacher conferences. It will be great to see the learning progress at spring conferences.

Christmas Family Night

Christmas family night is Thursday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m. We will have two special visitors from the North Pole. Mrs. Claus, who will read a story, and Santa who will listen to all of the Christmas wants. We hope to see many families on this evening to enjoy all the festivities. Please bring one dozen cookies to share for this event!

Santa Secret Shop

The Ansonia Parents Alliance (A.P.A.) will again be sponsoring the Santa's Secret Shop on December 8 and 9. Santa's Secret Shop will be open for the preschoolers to purchase Christmas gifts for their family members. The A.P.A. will be sending home a letter with more information very soon. If you would like your child to purchase any gifts, <u>please send</u> a list of family members that they will need to buy for. Make sure the dollar amount of what your child can spend is written out to the side of each name. If you have any questions, please see your child's teacher.

Christmas Parties

The Christmas parties will be held on Wednesday, December 15 and Thursday, December 16 <u>for the Early</u> <u>Learning Classes</u>. <u>The Transition Class (Mrs. Beam's</u> <u>class) and the Pre-Kindergarten classes</u> will have their Christmas parties on Monday, December 20 and Tuesday December 21. Please have your child bring in a new Little Golden book or a book that is equivalent. Please have it wrapped with only your child's name written on it. We will have a book exchange that day. Look for more information in your child's notebook.

Holiday Schedule

The last day for preschool before the Christmas break is Tuesday, December 21. Preschool resumes Monday, January 3 for the Monday/Wednesday classes and Tuesday, January 4 for the Tuesday/Thursday classes.

Tax ID Number

For tax reporting purposes, Ansonia Early Childhood

tax ID number is: 34-6400051.

<u>December Nursery Rhyme</u> Little Jack Horner sat in a corner Eating his Christmas pie

He put in his thumb And pulled out a plum And said "what a good boy am I"

Letter/Color/Number Weeks

The children will continue celebrating a letter for each week. Our last color week will be the week of January 3. The children will start number weeks on January 10. Your child will do fun number activities for each number.

Housekeeping Update

All the children's pillows and blankets have been washed and dried at the school. We will be washing the blankets every few months.

School Information

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December 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Reading Wall of Fame

Any parent, grandparent, or friend of a preschooler who would like to read to a preschool class please let us know. It is easy, just pick a simple book, and allow 10-15 minutes before 3:15 p.m. dismissal time to read. The preschoolers will be so excited that you are coming to read. Also, if you need a book or a good book suggestion, please just ask.



January Topics Winter Weather Fun with Numbers Five Senses Far Away Fruit



Finger Strong

An important part of your preschooler's development is to master the use of their small muscles, such as those found in the fingers. Called <u>fine motor skills</u>, these are skills that will continue to emerge and improve as your child grows and practices.

A great way to help a little one refine these skills is to have your child play with different types of toys that do a good job (purposefully or not) of working these muscles. This assortment of toys for fine motor skills do a good job of letting preschoolers practice eye-hand coordination, their pincher grasp, dexterity, and more.

MATERIALS THAT PROMOTE FINE MOTOR SKILLS:

Play with these kinds of materials and your child will be working on fine motor skills without even realizing it!











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