

Teddy Bears January '24 Newsletter

Dear Families:

We hope you enjoyed the holidays and got to spend some relaxing time with your children.

As we get into the New Year, we have many exciting activities to do and we are looking forward to all of them.



Themes

- Winter/Snowmen
- Hibernation
- Arctic Animals
- Winter Stories

Signs

- Snow / Cold
- Sleep
- Book
- Warm

Books

- What do Snowmen do at Night
- Hibernation
- Frosty the Snowman
- The Snowy Day

Teddy Bear Tips

Encouraging self help! When time allows encourage your children to dress/undress themselves, put on their shoes, coats, zipper themselves up, etc! Allowing them to try for just a few minutes before jumping in to help or do it for them will boost self confidence and show them that with practice they can master the task at hand!

Outside Fun

In the event of snow both **snow pants** and **boots** are required for sledding, as well as a pair of sneakers to change into indoors. We go outside twice a day. **Please** make sure your child has what they need to stay nice and warm while they play! (Winter coat, hat, gloves/mittens, scarf)



New This Month

- **1/15** is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Abington schools will be closed. The center will still be open.
- We will be having a second Dunkin Donuts fundraiser on **1/23**. Thank you to all who supported us during the first one. We hope that you will continue to support us throughout the school year. Our fundraisers help raise money for supplies and activities such as gym and music class.
- Our annual food drive will start on **1/31**.

Reminders

- We will still be going outside if the weather allows for it. Please make sure that your child is appropriately dressed each day and that they have a change of clothing to match the outside weather.
 - Please be sure to keep us informed of any medical changes that we need to be aware of. You can update us, or the office, of your child's vaccination status.
 - All medicines/prescriptions must be kept in their original containers and held in Connie's office.
 - All items must be labeled.
 - Please alert us either by email or phone of any changes to your child's daily pick-up/drop off routine. This is especially important if someone other than your child's parent is picking up and must be ID'd.
 - Anybody who is not a parent must have a signed "Release Form". These can be given to you by your child's teacher.
- Everyone picking up must have an ID.**

Important Dates

1/1 - Center Closed! Happy New Year!

1/10 - Hot Chocolate Day

1/15 - Martin Luther King Jr Day.

1/15 - Abington Schools Closed

1/17 - National Popcorn Day

1/23 - Dunkin' Donuts Fundraiser

1/31 - Food Drive Starts

Center-Wide News

Center Wide News:

Happy New Year to everyone!

We do go **outside twice every day for an hour** if the temperature is 25 degrees or above so ***PLEASE dress your child accordingly.*** Since children/infants do not wear a coat when in a car seat please make sure that you bring in a coat for them for when they go outside. ***If you have a spare coat, leave it here in their locker with a hat and mittens so they are always prepared for outside fun.*** If there is (any) snow we will go sledding so boots and snow pants are a must. This includes toddlers to school age children. If we can get the strollers out, the babies go out too!

Thank you to those who participated in our Holiday Shop and to all the families who were so kind to all of us over the holidays (the teachers and office personnel). Your generosity is very much appreciated!

Summer Camp paperwork will be available the week of January 2nd. Children in **K-6th grade must register** for camp even if they are part of the school age program. Paperwork is available on our [website in the Parent Nook under forms.](#)

Important Safety Rules to Teach Your Children can be found on this website. Some information is common sense but it doesn't hurt to be reminded of what we as parents need to be teaching our children.
<https://www.safehome.org/resources/child-safety/>

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Thank you!

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