

Happy New Year! We hope your holiday season was a joyful one! We're looking forward to a brand-new year, filled with health, happiness, and many memorable times together!

#### **REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER & FALL 2024**

Please look for <u>Summer & Fall 2024 Registration forms</u> to be placed in your child's cubby on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please remember that all presently enrolled children must <u>re-register</u> for these future sessions to hold a spot. Registration dates are as follows:

- Current family registration begins Monday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Alumni family registration begins Monday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>
- NEW family registration begins Wednesday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>

Return your forms to the Office <u>A.S.A.P</u>. to be assured a spot. Each summer we also offer a school-age program for children entering  $5K - 3^{rd}$  grade if you need care for older siblings. Please contact our office if you have any questions regarding these upcoming sessions.

#### \$\$ TAX DEDUCTIONS \$\$

Our office will issue statements <u>upon request</u> for your total paid for childcare in 2023. Our Federal ID# is 36-3435937 and our legal name and address is:

Wee Know Schools, Inc. 3325 Hwy 83, Hartland, WI 53029

#### **CAMP LOTTA-FUN**

Children are required to be 3 yrs. old by Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, and <u>toilet trained</u> to enroll in our Camp Lotta-Fun summer program. Children turning 3 yrs. on or after Sept. 1 may enroll in our <u>Fall</u> 2.5 Jumpstart program.

#### **VISION SCREENING**

On **January 9 & 10**, Prevent Blindness Wisconsin will offer free vision screening to <u>all</u> Wee Know children. An **OPT OUT** form will be distributed to complete if you do <u>not</u> want your child tested. Results will be sent home via your child's cubby.

#### **KETTLE MORAINE 2024-25 4K**

Wee Know will continue to partner with the Kettle Moraine School District for 4K which means that families living in the KM school district can choose "Wee Know" as their child's 4K program site at no cost. Wrap around care is available 6:30AM-5:30PM.

Children living in other school districts are welcome to attend our 4K program, but parents must privately pay tuition. You may choose the morning 4K program 2-5 days per week or our extended care option if longer days are needed.

\*\*An informational Parent Meeting for Kettle Moraine District families will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-7:00pm at Cushing Elementary School.

# **ORIOLE NEWS**

From Ms. Sky & Ms. Kimberly

December is always such a magical month with the children. We learned all about the sights and smells of Christmas and enjoyed making decorations and Christmas cookies to celebrate our Holly Jolly Oriole Party. We also painted snowflakes, peppermint candy canes and Christmas trees. We sang Jingle Bells; I'm a Little Santa and Santa Claus is Coming to Town. The Orioles celebrated with two "Christmas Jammie" days with cookies that we decorated and a special holiday story. As fun as that was, we look forward to bringing in a New Year and saying goodbye to 2023, hello 2024!

#### **JANUARY THEMES**

### Jan. 3-5 <u>WINTER WEATHER</u>



As we head into January, the Orioles will learn about the season "winter". We will transform our dramatic play center into an ice cream shop, create painted scenes at the easel and winter trees for art. We will enjoy some fresh air as we have fun sledding and making snow angels, if there's snow and talk about appropriate winter clothing.

#### Jan. 8-12 <u>SNOW</u>



This week we will continue to learn about snow and ice. We will build our own special snowmen, either with faux snow or outside with snow, and discuss what keeps them cold and makes them disappear. We will read <u>Snowmen at Night</u>, which is a sweet story about snowmen coming alive at night and the fun things they do.

#### Jan. 15-19

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## Jan. 22-26

#### **ANIMALS IN WINTER**

Brrr, its cold outside. This week we will learn about all the arctic animals that love the cold weather. We will use them to make patterns, order them by size and create animal art. We will also introduce the Orioles to an "igloo".

The Orioles will do fun science experiments that include salt and ice melt, fizzing ice and many more. We will paint frozen ice and go "ice fishing".

#### Jan. 29-Feb. 2 FEELINGS

**ICE** 

The Orioles will talk all about feelings and our emotions and why we feel a certain way. We will read <u>The Pout-Pout Fish</u> and discuss how to manage "big" feelings. Our art activities will also help learn about our feelings.

#### **WINTER GEAR**

Please continue to send labeled outdoor gear (mittens keep hands warmer than gloves.) each day they are at school as we will go outside if the temperature is above 20° with the wind chill and time permits. We will send winter gear home at the end of each week.

