

The holiday season has arrived! Our classrooms will be filled with decorations, lighted trees, holiday stories and songs, and children creating special gifts just for you. Enjoy the feeling this beautiful season brings! We wish your family a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy new year!

"LETTERS TO SANTA"

Children will be busy early in the month preparing their letters to Santa! Each child will draw a picture of what they want for Christmas and the teachers will add any message the child has for Santa. Letters will then be mailed by the children via the special mailbox in our foyer which will magically whisk each letter off to Santa at the North Pole!

<u>"CHRISTMAS JINGLES"</u> Wednesday, Dec. 6th

It's time for some holiday fun! Mrs. Jan Meisel (a former Wee Know teacher) will host a morning of holiday songs and interactive musical activities with each classroom! HO.HO.HO!!

<u>Chrístmas Jammíes & Cookíes</u> Adagedou Dog 20 8 Thursdou Dog 2

Wednesday, Dec. 20 & Thursday, Dec. 21 You heard right! Wear your Christmas jammies to school on these days as we celebrate the season with cookie decorating in each classroom!

SEVERE WEATHER & SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Winter has arrived, and so has the season of unpredictable weather. We always try to remain open, however, in the event of severe weather or hazardous conditions, our school may close. Closing information will be listed on TV channels 4, 6 and 12 and their websites, <u>Classroom</u> Facebook pages, school voicemail and an email will be sent to all families.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER AND FALL 2024

Registration will be starting in late January for currently enrolled, alumni and new families. Kettle Moraine district 4K families may choose "Wee Know" for their child's morning 4-K program (at no cost) with an option for wrap around care if needed. 4K children from other districts can also attend but must privately pay. Summer and Fall registration forms and information on Wee Know 4K options will be distributed in mid-January. Please contact our office if you need ANY assistance.



November was so much fun between watching the fall colors change on our playground and enjoying the warm fall days. Most of November was spent talking about Thanksgiving and being thankful. We talked about all the things we are thankful for, with most answers being my mom and dad, brothers and sisters, grandmas, and grandpas and even a few pets. Some of our favorite books were <u>Thanks for Thanksgiving</u>, <u>Pete the Cat the First Thanksgiving</u> and <u>Five Little Turkeys</u> and a favorite song was "5 Little Turkeys" and "Hello Mr. Turkey". For our cooking days the Orioles made ice cream and pumpkin pie in a cup. We are thankful for each one of our families, and each child in the Oriole class.

DECEMBER THEMES

Nov. 27- Dec. 1



Dec. 4-8

Dec. 11-15

Dec. 18-22

Santa, Rudolph, and Christmas bells will fill our classroom as we discover the sights of Christmas time! December is always an exciting month for children. Our classroom will come alive as we celebrate the holiday season. We will be stressing the "magic of the season". <u>Our "Holly Jolly Cookie Party" will be on Thursday this week.</u>

Winter Wonderland; "Gg"

Deck the Halls; "Gg"

It is time to decorate the room into a winter wonderland with homemade crafts, learn Christmas jingles and make special gifts & cards for our families!

Gingerbread; "Hh"

Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me! During this week we will play with gingerbread playdough, decorate gingerbread cutouts and read the book Gingerbread Friends by Jan Brett.

Santa & His Helpers; "Hh"

Ho, Ho, Ho! As we get ready to celebrate the holidays, we will enjoy some fun Christmas activities and discuss all about Santa and his helpers. Remember to wear your Christmas jammies on Wednesday & Thursday this week!



Dec. 27-29 Happy New Year!

The Orioles will revisit favorite activities and discuss a new year and what that might bring. We will also count down the days to the new year!

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Now that the days are getting colder, please note we try and go outside if the temperature is 20 degrees or above (this includes wind chill). Hats and mittens are recommended, as well. Mittens are easier and preferred. When the snow flies, boots and snow pants will be required to play outside. **Remember to label all clothing and both boots!!** We will send snow pants home at the end of the week to be washed if they were used. Everything else will be sent home daily.

