

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!

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



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!!

# Christmas Jammies & Cookies

# 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.



# CARDINAL NEWS

From Mrs. Carr, Mr. Peter & Ms. Anne

November was so much fun between watching the fall colors change on our playground and enjoying the crisp cool mornings. We enjoyed learning about community helpers, and learned farmers are the community helper who grows our food, which led us into our next theme, farm and the animals that live there. Then we talked and read about the first Thanksgiving and how thankful we are for our family and friends. A favorite activity was becoming "Ted the Turkey". Make sure to ask your Cardinal about Ted! We want to thank you for taking the time to discuss your child's progress with us at conferences and we hope you all enjoyed your Thanksgiving break. We are thankful for each one of our families, and each child in the Cardinal classroom.

### **DECEMBER THEMES**

Nov. 27- Dec. 1 Sights of Christmas; Review EFGH #10

Santa, Rudolph, and Christmas bells will fill our classroom as we discover the sights of Christmas time! The Cardinal elves will also be busy making special gifts for our families.

Dec. 4-8 Smells of Christmas; "li" Review 1-10

Who doesn't love the smells of the holidays? We'll fill our room with the scent of peppermint candy canes, gingerbread, and cups of hot cocoa! We are looking forward to "Parents & Pastries" on Thursday this week!

Dec. 11-15 Christmas Fun and Ornaments; "Jj" #11

Deck the halls! It is time to decorate the room and our Christmas tree with homemade ornaments!

Dec. 18-22 Santa's Workshop; "Kk" #12



Ho, Ho, Ho! As we get ready to celebrate the holiday season, we will enjoy some fun Christmas activities and discuss what we love about this time of year. Remember to wear your Christmas jammies on Wednesday & Thursday!

Dec. 27-29 Happy New Year!

The Cardinals 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!

### **CLASSROOM CELEBRATIONS**

December is always an exciting month for children. Our classroom will come alive as we celebrate the holiday season. We will also be very, very busy working on our top secret Christmas presents for our families.....Shhh! Don't tell anyone! We will be stressing the "magic of the season". Look for our holiday decorations in our Facebook posts. Listen for new Christmas songs we learn and wrap your arms around your little Cardinal for a nice warm touch!

### 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 & mittens!!

