

GLENBROOK PRESCHOOL



DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

THIS MONTH AT PRESCHOOL

December has now arrived, and here at preschool, so has the holiday spirit!! Our students have begun exploring the shapes, colours, and images of Christmas in their art projects, as well as through various other toys and games throughout the classroom. Green or red playdough may make an appearance, while stories and songs celebrating the season infuse carpet time with festive cheer.



IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 17- Last class for 3's
Dec 18 -Last class for 4's
Dec 19-20 Closed for cleaning
Winter break: Dec 23-Jan 6
Classes Resume January 6th

PLEASE ENSURE ALL CHILDRENS
BACKPACKS, COATS, HATS, AND
MITTENS ARE CLEARLY LABELED.



THE WEATHER IS CHANGING

Please dress your child in weather appropriate clothing. Class regularly ventures outdoors. During the colder months the classroom can get quite warm. We suggest t- shirts, not hoodies or sweatshirts when dressing your child for school

PLEASE REMEMBER: DO NOT USE THE LARGE PLAYGROUND BEFORE OR AFTER PRESCHOOL.

It is solely for the use of the elementary during their class time. No public use permitted between 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

ILLNESS REMINDER



If your child is ill, you must keep him/ her home (both for your child's sake and to ensure that the other children do not become ill). If your child becomes ill while at school, you will be called to come and pick him/her up. Your child must be medication- free (including cold medication, Tylenol, Advil, etc.) for 24 hours prior to the start of class time.

QUESTIONS ABOUT GPS

Many of your questions can be answered by looking in the Parent Handbook and Policy and Procedures found on the Glenbrook Preschool Society webpage: www.glenbrookpreschool.org.



WINTER FUNDRAISER BOTTLE DRIVE

Please hold on to your empty bottles and cartons as we will be doing another big bottle drive push after the holidays. We will be collecting around the second week in January, but will keep you posted.



PEANUT-FREE ZONE

We are a **Peanut-Free Zone**. Glenbrook Preschool Society will be providing a healthy snack for your child during their preschool class, so there is no need to pack one.

In addition, please do not send any other food, such as birthday or holiday treats, to school with your child due to allergy concerns. Even food that has come in contact with peanuts can be potentially dangerous for some children.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

Are you wondering why playdough is such an important staple in our classroom? Here are a few things your child gains from this satisfying sensory experience. Playdough can help children to:

- Develop hand, eye, arm and body coordination, and strengthen finger and hand muscles through squeezing, patting, pounding, rolling, poking, pinching, and cutting with scissors
- Dramatize about food and cooking and identify with the role of family cook
- Be successful – playdough is easy to mould and manipulate
- Be creative

REMINDERS

- Check out the preschool's website (glenbrookpreschool.org)
- To maintain consistency in the classroom, we kindly ask that you encourage your children to address their teachers using their surnames. They are Mrs. Miller and Mrs. H. Thanks for your assistance with this!
- NO parking, dropping off or pick up allowed in the staff parking lot. Please park your vehicle where permitted.
- Please write your child's name inside their backpack.

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

As a non-profit, we rely on parent volunteers to join our PAC! As always, we are happy to have several parents volunteer their time year after year. Since we are a parent-run organization with several roles to help operate at our optimal, GPS is excited to have a handful of new parents take part in our PAC fulfilling almost every role. We are currently looking for a Newsletter Editor. If you are a parent/guardian of a student with GPS and are interested, please email our program coordinator at president@glenbrookpreschool.org.

All parents/guardians are welcome to attend all PAC meeting which are held on the last Tuesday of each month virtually. Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, January 7th, at 7:30 PM**. If you would like to attend, please email glenbrookpreschoolpresident@gmail.com and your request will be sent to our chair, Stephen Bernier.

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www.glenbrookpreschool.org