

# JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

#### WELCOME BACK!

We hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break and is feeling rested and ready to learn. This month our teachers are bringing the winter theme indoors. Penguins have been spotted at our puzzle table. Your children are busy exploring different colours associated with winter in their art projects. who knew there were so many different ways to use the colours blue and white.

## IMPORTANT DATES

January 6th - 4yrs class returns
January 7th- 3yrs class returns
January 31st- Non-Instruction Day
February 13th/14th- PD, No School
February 17th- Family Day, No
School

### !!OPEN HOUSE!!

**JANUARY 24TH** 

DROP IN FROM 10:00-11:00 AM

Come see a class in progress!!

Have a question? Come ask Mrs. Miller or Michelle

(Program Coordinator)

# Happy New Year 2025

#### 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.

#### 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: <a href="https://www.glenbrookpreschool.org">www.glenbrookpreschool.org</a>.

#### BOTTLE DRIVE

We hope you have been saving all your bottles and cartons!! We will begin to collect them starting Monday, January 13th through till Friday January 17th.

### 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.

# 2025-2026 PRE-REGISTRATION

Pre-registration for the 2025-2026 preschool year will take place on Saturday January 18th, 2025 to January 24th, starting at - 9. Pre-registration is scheduled prior to general registration, allowing families who are already enrolled in the Preschool priority registration. Siblings of children currently enrolled in the Preschool also qualify for pre-registration.

Pre-registration process:

On January 18th, please email and include the following information:

-Your child's name

-Your child's current class (if applicable)

-The class you wish to register for in the 2025-2026 school year

-Your name

-Your email address

Pre-registration closes January 24th

On or before Monday January 24th, please submit your completed registration package to the Registrar, which can either be left with a teacher or scanned and emailed to the Registrar. The completed package must include:

-Registration forms (8 pages) with all fields completed (forms are available on the Preschool's website)

-Photocopy of your child's birth certificate
-Tuition payment.

glenbrookpreschool.org

#### 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.



## FIND US ON SOCIAL



Find us on social media! Like us, follow us... get the latest news, classroom updates and monthly reminders.

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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.
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## 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 and Tuesday, January 28th, 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