

### Glenbrook Community Preschool Newsletter

January 2021

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#### This Month at Preschool

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 colors associated with winter in their art projects. Who knew there were so many different ways to use the color blue and white?

# REMINDER:

- If your child is not feeling well, or appears tired, or a bit "off", please do not bring them to Preschool. As well, if your child requires medication (even Tylenol) within 24 hours prior to the start of the child's class time, they may not attend class that day. Thank you for doing your part to help keep sickness out of our school.
- If you or a family member learns you/they have been exposed to someone who tested positive for Covid, it is important you inform Mrs. Miller immediately. Please leave a message at 403-686-6868 and also send an email to teafit@shaw.ca



## **Tax Receipts**

If you require a tax receipt from the preschool, please call (403) 686-6868 to inquire.



## **Upcoming Holidays and Important Dates**

Monday Jan 11: Classes Resume

Friday Jan 29th: NO SCHOOL – PD Day

Thursday and Friday Feb 11 and 12: NO SCHOOL,

Teacher's Convention

Monday Feb 15: NO SCHOOL, Family Day

Friday Mar 12th: NO SCHOOL- PD Day

Friday Mar 26th: Last day of classes- Spring Break

Tuesday April 6th: Classes resume

Monday April 26th: NO SCHOOL- PD Day

Friday May 21st: NO SCHOOL- PD Day

Monday May 24th: NO SCHOOL- Victoria Day

Friday June 11th: NO SCHOOL- PD Day

#### **Valentine's Day at Preschool**

Valentine's Day is fast approaching, and it provides a fun opportunity for students to exchange Valentine's cards with their classmates. If your child would like to participate, please keep in mind the following considerations:

- Did you know the best place to buy children's Valentine's cards is Dollarama? You can purchase a package of 16 for \$2.00.
- Do not address the cards to a specific student but instead simply sign your child's name. It is easier for children to place the cards in their classmates' bags when they are addressed generically.
- There are 8 students in the 3-year old class and 16 students in both the AM and PM 4-year old classes. Please send a card for each student so everyone feels included.
- DO NOT include any food due to allergy concerns.

M/W/F classes will be exchanging cards on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.

T/TH classes will be exchanging cards on Tuesday, February 9th.



# **Learning Through Play**

Art projects are a staple part of our classroom, and painting holds particular interest for many children. This month, winter colors and shapes help children explore ideas of winter in their paintings. In addition, painting also helps children to:

- Develop hand, eye, arm and body coordination.
- Develop finger and hand muscles
- Use shape, form and color to express themselves in ways they do not yet have words for
- Experiment with color and texture
- Represent ideas
- Show moods and feelings
- Begin to develop writing skills

# Parents' Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting Dates for the 2020 – 2021 Pre-School Year:

January 26<sup>th</sup>, February 23<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>st</sup>, April 27<sup>th</sup>,
June 1<sup>nd</sup>

All meetings are held at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Dates listed above are tentative.

Any changes will be communicated via the monthly newsletter.

If you'd like to attend, please email Katie at chair@glenbrookpreschool..org or katie.ann.gibson@gmail.com.

#### 2021-2022 Pre-Registration:

Pre-registration for the 2021-2022 preschool year will take place on Saturday, January 30, 2020. 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 30, please email registrar@glenbrookpreschool.org and include the following information:

- Your child's name
- Your child's current class (if applicable)
- The class you wish to register your child in for the 2021-2022 school year
- Your name
- Your email address

You will be emailed a registration confirmation on January 30.

On or before Friday February 5, 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 (4 pages) with all fields completed (forms are available on the preschool's website)
- Photocopy of your child's birth certificate
- Tuition payment- we are moving to online payment for the 2021-2022 school year, and more information regarding this process will be coming