

# THE GIVING NEST PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Wishing you and your families a very happy holiday season!*



December is such a magical time at The Giving Nest! The children are getting excited to explore all the holiday traditions, both at home and at school. This month our school will be transformed into a winter wonderland, filled with holiday songs and arts and crafts made by the children!

In November we introduced the "Giving Tree" program. We discussed doing chores at home to earn money so we can help those less fortunate through the World Vision program. The first week of December we'll talk a lot about giving to others and decorating for the holidays. We'll discuss beautiful trees, menorahs and hanging holiday decorations. While discussing these ways to decorate, the children will be shown a sample of the ornament they will create for the Giving Tree project. We'll then discuss the chores they may have done to earn money. Finally, their chore will be written on the back of the ornament; and when complete, the children will hang them on our "Giving Tree" displayed in our main hall. Before holiday break, the children will take them home, so we hope you reserve a special spot to display these wonderful keepsakes!



Please remember that if the temperature is above 32 degrees our classes do go outside to the playground. Our children love to get the fresh air, so please be sure they have a winter coat, hat, warm shoes and gloves to keep them warm.

***A Holiday shopping tip to consider:***

**4 Gift Rule:**

Something you **want**  
Something you **need**  
Something to **wear**  
Something to **read**

A Happy Giving Nest



## ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAMILY SING A LONG

We hope you are able to join us for our annual Family Holiday Sing-a-Long! On the date and time scheduled for your child's class, when you arrive you will join your child in his/her classroom. We welcome you to look around your child's class to see all their beautiful artwork displays! Then, once everyone is settled on the carpet (or chairs) we will begin our Family Holiday Sing-a-long. This is a special time to sit cozy with your child on your lap surrounded by their classmates, singing holiday songs together. The December songs are attached to this newsletter so you can practice ahead of time and printed song sheets will be available.

Fa-la-la-la-la!!

\*Please let your child's teacher know if you are unable to attend the Holiday Sing along.

\* 4,5 day children's dates can be flexible.. just let us know!



### **VERY IMPORTANT PLEASE READ!**

#### **REGISTRATION & IN HOUSE STATUS**

Since the Warren location's oldest class is Chickadees; children will continue their preschool learning at one of our other locations. Each year, all current families are given the opportunity to register for the following school year during our IN HOUSE REGISTRATION PERIOD.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS YOUR OPTIONS FOR YOUR CHILD FOR NEXT YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT MISS ANGELA @ 732-893-8222 or [wgivingnest@yahoo.com](mailto:wgivingnest@yahoo.com)**

To help you make the best choice for your family, tours of the other locations can be arranged by contacting their office.





## In Case of Snowy or Severe Weather...

**“How do I know if school is closed?”**..... In case of severe weather, as soon as a decision has been made the following steps will be taken to notify you of a closing:

### **WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:**

**First:** Watch News 12 NJ for up-to-date school closing or log on to: <http://www.News12.com> we are listed as The Giving Nest Preschool – Warren

### **Next:**

**Check your \*email;** you will receive an all-school email blast if we are going to close or have a delayed opening. (remember to check SPAM folders to be sure)

\*If, during the course of the morning, a delayed opening changes to a closing you will receive a second email informing you of the change.

### **Also:**

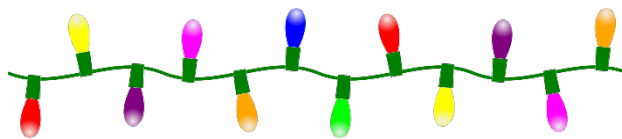
You may call the school phone (732-893-8222) to listen to the recorded message.

### **Delayed opening time schedule:**

**Chickadees:** Full day classes: 10:15 – 2:30, Half day classes 10:15-12:30,

**Hummingbirds:** Full day classes: 10:00-2:15, Half day classes: 10:10-12:15

Please remember, if school is open but you’d feel safer keeping your child home the choice is always yours!



Have a safe, healthy, and happy holiday season!

# December Sing a long songs!

## 1. 1. Where is Santa? (tune: "Are you sleeping?")

Where is Santa? Where is Santa?  
Here I am! Here I am!  
Merry, Merry Christmas!  
Merry, Merry Christmas!  
Ho! Ho! Ho! – Ho! Ho! Ho! (repeat)



## 3. Hanukkah is Here

(Sung to: "Row, row, row your boat")

Hanukkah, Hanukkah, Hanukkah is here,  
Eight tall candles in a row,  
Hanukkah is here!

Hanukkah, Hanukkah, Hanukkah is here,  
Light the candles one by one,  
Hanukkah is here!



## 4. Santa Claus is Coming to Town!

You better watch out! You better not cry,  
you better not pout, I'm telling you why!  
Santa Claus is coming to town!  
He's making a list, he's checking it twice,  
Gonna find out who's naughty and nice.  
Santa Claus is coming to town!  
He sees you when you're sleeping, He knows  
when you're awake.  
He knows if you've been bad or good so be  
good for goodness sake! OH!  
You better watch out, you better not cry!  
You better not pout I'm telling you why!  
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## 2. Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer

Rudolf the red nosed reindeer  
Had a very shiny nose!  
And if you ever saw it,  
You would even say it glowed!  
All of the other reindeer, used to laugh and call  
him names.  
They never let poor Rudolf join in any reindeer  
games.  
Then one foggy Christmas eve, Santa came to  
say;  
Rudolf with your nose so bright; won't you guide  
my sleigh tonight?  
Then how the reindeer loved him!  
And they shouted out with glee.  
"Rudolf the red nosed reindeer, you'll go down  
in history"!



## 5. Snowball

I made myself a snowball as perfect as can be  
I thought I'd keep it as a pet and let it sleep with me.  
I made it some pajamas and a pillow for his head.  
Then last night it ran away... but first it wet the bed!

## 6. I'm a friendly Snowman!

(tune of: I'm a little teapot)

I'm a friendly snowman, Big and Fat!  
Here is my tummy, here is my hat!  
I'm a happy fellow, here's my nose.  
I'm all snow from my head to my toes!  
I have two bright eyes so I can see  
All the snow falling down on me!  
When the weathers cold I'm strong and tall  
When it's warm I get very small.

## December sing a long- 2



### 7. Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow  
On a one-horse open sleigh,  
Through the fields we go  
Laughing all the way!  
Bells on bob-tail ring  
Making spirits bright,  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
A sleighing song tonight! Oh!  
Jingle Bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way,  
Oh what fun it is to ride  
In a one-horse open sleigh!



### 8. Hanukkah Happiness

Clap, Clap, Clap your hands, sing so  
merrily!  
Hanukkah is here today, we're happy  
as can be!  
Stomp, stomp, stomp your feet, sing so  
merrily!  
Hanukkah is here today, we're happy  
as can be!  
Jump, jump, jump so high, sing so  
merrily!  
Hanukkah is here today, we're happy  
as can be!

### 9. MUST BE SANTA!

Who's got a beard that's long and white  
Santa's got a beard that's long and white  
Who comes around on a special night  
Santa comes around on a special night  
Special Night, beard that's white  
Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Santa Clause!  
Who wears boots and a suit of red  
Santa wears boots and a suit of red  
Who wears a long cap on his head  
Santa wears a long cap on his head  
Cap on head, suit that's red  
Special night, beard that's white  
Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Santa Clause!  
Who's got a big red cherry nose  
Santa's got a big red cherry nose  
Who laughs this way HO HO HO  
Santa laughs this way HO HO HO  
HO HO HO, cherry nose, Cap on head, suit that's red  
Special night, beard that's white  
Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Santa Clause!  
Who very soon will come our way  
Santa very soon will come our way  
Eight little reindeer pull his sleigh  
Santa's little reindeer pull his sleigh  
Reindeer sleigh, come our way  
HO HO HO, cherry nose, Cap on head, suit that's red  
Special night, beard that's white.  
Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Santa Clause!  
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