

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 less fortunate families buy gifts for their children during the Holidays. 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 Ever After



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.



VERY IMPORTANT PLEASE READ!

REGISTRATION & IN HOUSE STATUS



An email was sent in October giving you the opportunity to pick the location you would like your child to attend next year. 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. In order to secure that you receive an In House pre- registration form from the school you choose for the 2024-25 school year, we must first confirm your school of choice so be sure to reply to that email 😊

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS YOUR OPTIONS FOR YOUR CHILD FOR NEXT YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT MRS. TRACY @ 732-893-8222 or 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.

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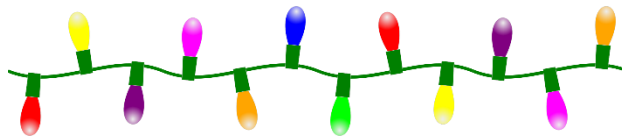
You may **call the school phone (732-893-8222)** to listen to the recorded message.

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 Songs

Fa la la la la! Please join us in singing our favorites!

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!



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"!



3. Santa Claus is Coming to Town

You better watch out
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town!
He's making a list
And 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,
Better not pout, I'm telling you why,
SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!



5. 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.



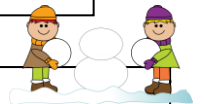
4. Hanukkah Happiness

Clap, clap, clap your hands,
Sing so merrily, Hanukkah is here today-
We're happy as can be!
Stamp, Stamp, Stamp your feet,
Sing so merrily, Hanukkah is here today-
We're happy as can be!
Jump, jump, jump real high
Sing so merrily, Hanukkah is here today-
We're happy as can be!



6. 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 with a pillow for its head;
Then last night it ran away – but first it wet the bed!





8. 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!

9. 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!

10. 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!

Must be Santa
Must be Santa, Must be Santa, Santa Clause!

