

Winter Park Presbyterian Preschool January Newsletter

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday, and a fun and relaxing break. I cannot believe it is the start of a new year! Welcome 2023! We are ready to go with lots of fun and exciting things planned for our preschool in January.

The preschool staff and I would like to thank you for your generosity shown to us over the holidays. We appreciated not only the wonderful personal gifts you gave us, but also your overwhelming support of our diaper drive and our wish tree. We are truly blessed to have such terrific families in our preschool!

A couple of reminders with the cold weather approaching. Most days we will be going outside, if only for a few minutes. Each child needs a warm coat, hat or hood and, if possible, gloves or mittens. In case of extreme cold (under 40), we will go into the gym for our playtime. Also, a reminder that we follow the New Hanover County School's lead for bad weather closings. If the county schools are closed for the day for bad weather, we are closed also. If they are delayed for 1 hour, we will open at our regular time of 9:00. If they are delayed for 2 hours, we will open at 10:00.

We all know that this school year is full of sickness, as we all rebuild our immunities. Please remember to keep your child home if they are not feeling well enough to participate fully in our preschool day. Children should remain out of school 24 hours after a fever (with no meds), or if they have two or more episodes of vomiting or diarrhea within a twelve-hour period, if they have pink eye or if they have a runny nose with green discharge, a bad cough, head lice, scabies, chicken pox or open blisters from hand, foot and mouth disease. If you are in doubt of whether your child should come to school, please keep them home so that we can keep everyone well.

On Tuesday, January 10th, we will have our second Moe's Meal Kit fundraiser. This is an easy way for you to support the preschool and skip cooking for the night! A link for ordering will be emailed, as well as posted to our social media pages.

No school **Monday, January 16th** in honor of Martin Luther King Day. We will also be out of school on **January 23-24** due to NHCS workdays.

January tuition is now due. All January tuition must be paid by Tuesday, January 10th to avoid a \$15.00 late fee. If possible, please do not wait until the last minute to pay tuition. If your child is absent on the 10th or if you forget to put it in his/her folder, you will still be charged a late fee.

The Church's preschool committee will meet this week to discuss the upcoming school year. We are looking forward to another wonderful school year in 2023-2024. Exclusive in- house registration for the 2023-2024 school year will begin on January 17th and end at 9:30 Friday, January 27th. Open registration for the public begins January 30th. We will send registration forms home in folders beginning January 11th. Families who have shown interest, but are not currently enrolled at WPPP, will be notified of any available spaces beginning at 10:00 am Friday, January 27th. Please be prepared to register your child that first week of In-House Registration to insure your child's spot for next fall. In addition, please note that days of attendance/classroom slots are filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Dates to remember

Tuesday, January 10th – Moe's Meal Kit Fundraiser
Monday, January 16th – No School –MLK Day Holiday
Tuesday, January 17th – In-House 2023-2024 Registration Begins
Monday-Tuesday, January 23-24th – No School, NHCS Teacher Workdays
Friday, January 27th –Registration opens to the public

January Birthdays

Quinn Denton- 1/8 Eloise Case- 1/13 Micah Woodward- 1/24 Davis Massey and Mrs. Shrewsbury- 1/25 Autumn Hayes- 1/28