

Dear Chesterbrook Parents,

It's hard to believe that the holidays are here and that the end of 2018 is quickly approaching. We have had such a great school year so far and we are sure that it will continue well into 2019. The month of December is filled with a lot of holiday events and festivities!

Here are just a few friendly reminders...

- •State mandated flu vaccines for children 5 months to 5 years old are due by December 29th. If you have not already provided documentation, please do so. You can hand in all records to the front desk. Thank you!
- •This month our Pajama Giving Tree will run from 11/19 through 12/12! We are accepting donations of unwrapped children's pajamas. Items can be placed under the tree by the front office. We will be donating these items to Bianca's Kids to be distributed to foster children less fortunate throughout this year.
- •Tuesday, December 18th, our Pre-k and Kindergarten classes will be visiting the Pitman Theater and the Summit Senior Center to sing Christmas Carols. The bus will leave promptly at 10:00am so please have your child arrive by no later than 9:30am. Parent chaperones are not needed for this field trip, due to limited space of seats at the theater and on our bus.
- •In honor of the 1st day of Winter we will have our Pajama Day and story time with Mrs. Claus on **Friday**, 12/21! Children can wear their pajamas to school! We will also have our book Exchange, and classroom parties on this day as well. Party signup sheets will be posted on your child's classroom door, keep an eye out! Since we are a peanut free school be sure to check the labels of food(s) that you send in.





2018 Newsletter

We will be **closed on Tuesday, December 25**th for Christmas and also on **Tuesday, January 1**st for New Years Day.

•There will be a survey sent out to parents to indicate whether or not your child is attending the week between Christmas and New Years. If you would like to use your vacation credit for that week, please submit the request two weeks prior to the front office. Thank you!

Wishing you a happy and healthy Holiday Season...

Stacy, Thien, and Adriane

Calendar of Events:

Wednesday, December 12th is the last day to hand in gifts for our Pajama Giving Tree

Friday, December 21st Pajama Day,
Classroom Parties, Pictures with Mrs.
Claus, and Book Exchange
Monday, December 24th we are
closing early for Christmas Eve at

3:00pm

Tuesday, December 25th SCHOOL IS CLOSED for Christmas

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29th -FLU SHOT RECORDS ARE DUE







Don't forget to visit our website for the lunch menu, special event dates, reminders and so much more...

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A message from our teachers!

Infants

Wow! Christmas is just around the corner already. We had a beautiful Fall season this year. We have a busy month planned ahead. Some skills we will be covering this month will be: searches for the sound source; gestures to communicate; and strings together sounds and pulls self up to stand. We will be doing many activities using gross and fine motor skills, keep an eye

out! Happy Holidays! ©

Toddler A

Happy Holidays! We have been so busy, we haven't seen the months fly by! This month, our color will be red and the shape will be a triangle. We will build our Language and Listening skills through reading, so keep those books coming on Share-A-Book Day. Keep an eye out for details about our Holiday Celebration and Book Exchange. As always, thank you for your continued support of daily and special activities. Wishing you a Happy Holiday and Joyous New Year from Toddler A! ©

Toddler B

Happy Holidays! The children will be very busy creating those special holiday gifts and decorations. Red is our color of the month. Some of the LTL skills for the month will be manipulating play-doh, exploring puzzles, and listening to a 5-minute story with pictures. Details for our Holiday Book Exchange and party will posted at a later date!

Beginners

December is a very exciting month in the Beginner room! We will continue to use descriptive words, understand the number concepts of 3, and share our family Holiday traditions. Be on the look out for a Holiday party sign up sheet and book exchange. We will also have a visit from Mrs. Claus! We are about to focus hard on potty training as the weather gets colder, since we will be stuck inside. Please refrain from dressing your child in a onesie, it is a bit easier to change the children without buttons.

Also, please send in pictures of your family and pets. We will be using these in our circle discussions and centers.

Intermediate A

Intermediate A is ready for December and all of it's fun festivities. We are excited to welcome our new friends: Logan, Remy, Ellington, and Brooklyn! This month we will focus the meaning of all different holidays! We will explore Christmas traditions, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa! We will be celebrating with a Holiday Party. Check our door for a sign up sheet. As always, thank you for sharing YOUR most precious gifts with us. We wish you all a wonderful Holiday and the brightest New Year's of all. ©

Intermediate B

The Intermediates are flying through the school year. In the month of December, the children will be working hard on Language and Literacy, understanding simple sentence vocabulary, how to answer "how" questions and continue on name recognition and trying to write. The children will be creating a lot of holiday decorations to hang around home and school. Keep an eye out for what's going on in our room for this month!

<u>Pre l</u>

Ready or not, the hustle and bustle of the Holiday Season is upon us. The Pre-K class is participating in a service project this year! A family from the neighborhood just recently lost their 3 year old son to Cancer. The Pre-k class will be collecting gifts for the other four boys ages 1, 2, 5, & 6 as well as the parents. Please make sure the gifts aren't too big to fit into a backpack. We will be collecting gifts until 12/21. We will also be going Christmas Caroling at a local retirement home on 12/18 to spread some Holiday cheer! The Pre-k class will be learning the importance of giving back to our community and they will also be busy mastering the skill of identifying words vs. letters vs. numerals. They will continue to recognize numerals 1-50, understand more/less/ equal to, identify different coins, and so much more! We are so proud of all the progress the children are making!

<u>Kindergarten</u>

Happy Holidays! This month we are focusing on blending initial, medial, and final /i/, /n/, /b/, and /r/ sounds, reading text based comprehension such as sequence, realism and fantasy, compare and contrast, and plot, using objects, stories, and symbols to solve addition problems, learning weather and much more! We will also be celebrating Hanna, Savannah, and Jenna's birthday's this month!