

## **Parent Newsletter**

December 2024

#### C.A.R.E.S This Month

# Character Value of the Month: "Patience"

The feature book this month is <u>Remy The</u>
Rhino Learns Patience.

The Twos, Threes and Pre-K classes will learn about our five senses, dinosaurs, and holidays Around the World! We'll practice our letters D, E, and H and do lots of fun holiday crafts!

#### **Center Birthdays!**

12/2 - Ms. Cici

12/3 - Jackson G.

12/5 - Sloan V.

12/13 - Jack B.

12/23 - Ms. Brianne

12/26 - Ms. Liv

12/29 - Valentino S.





#### **Infants & Toddlers This Month**

During the month of December, the Infant and Toddler rooms will focus on the color green and the shape triangle. They will learn and sing "The Muffin Man" and "Open, Shut Them" together. Their sign of the month is "eyes/ojos."





December is a great time to use our SENSES with all the pretty lights and sparkly decorations, perfect for this month's learning theme: All About My Senses. We'll be making fun holiday crafts and learning how to dress for the season, and we'll explore how to use our senses through it all!



### **December Center Events**

Classroom Parties – Friday, 12/20 3:30-5:00 We'll kick off the holiday season with a fun classroom party! We like to find opportunities to play games and celebrate together.

#### **Spirit Week!**

**Monday, December 16** – PJ/Onesie/Cozy Christmas Socks day.

**Tuesday, December 17** – Santa Hat or festive head piece day.

Wednesday, December 18 – Wacky Outfits. Thursday, December 19 – Red & Green Day Friday, December 20 – Ugly/creative Christmas sweater day.



#### **Center Spotlight**

#### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/Teacher conferences will be taking place December 9 - 13, be on the look-out for sign-up sheets.



## **Heads Up!**

#### **Toys For Tots**

The collection bin for Toys for Tots is up! We will be collecting new, unwrapped toy donations through December 16.

## **Enrichment Schedule**



Story Time with Katherine Chicago Public Library Wednesday, 12/11 (Threes+)



Soccer with Coach Kelsie Friday, 12/20 (Twos+)



Yoga with Ms. Donna
There will be no Yoga this month;
resuming in January.
(Toddlers+)



Music with Ms. Faye
Stages Chicago
Toddlers and up
Tuesdays:
12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 12/30



## **Important Reminders!**

- The school will be **CLOSED** for the Holidays **December 24 –25, 2024** and **January 1, 2025**
- If you haven't submitted your Holiday Attendance Survey yet, please do so **by Friday, December 6** so we can staff appropriately during the holidays.
- As the weather changes, please make sure to bring weatherappropriate clothing for your child to keep at school for outside play. If your child comes to school wearing winter boots, please bring a pair of indoor shoes for them to wear inside.
- Please check your child's cubby often for important notices, art projects and soiled clothing to be taken home.
- We have openings in our infant rooms! If you know someone who's expecting, take advantage of our referral bonus by referring a family. It's a free week awarded after your friend has been enrolled for 4 weeks.