

December

The holiday season has arrived, the time of celebration. This is a very busy time with gifts to buy, and all of the home preparations. Your child would love and be eager to help when you include her/him in preparation. This is an excellent time to share and explain family traditions.

We will discuss the holidays we celebrate and the wintry weather ahead of us.

We will celebrate this year's holidays with a Holiday party on Wednesday, December 18. All children are invited to come and any treats or dishes (store-bought, no nuts) you would like to share with the class are welcome. We have 16 children in our room if you want to bring a treat to the party.

This month we will talk about the color green and star shape.

WEATHER ALERT

Our classroom goes outdoors two times every day for at least thirty minutes at a time if the weather permits. It is very important that you be aware of the weather and dress your child appropriately. Since it is not uncommon for the weather to change from morning to afternoon, layering clothing is often best.

The following are recommended outdoor gear for wintertime:

- * a hat
- * warm (not thin) gloves or mittens
- * a scarf if needed
- * Boots and snow pants for snow or cold winter days.

DAYS TO REMEMBER

Dec. 4 – Louis' 4th Birthday

Dave Herzog's Marionettes – "The Snow Show"

PLEASE REMEMBER

The center will be CLOSED from Friday, December 23 – Friday, January 3.
We will reopen on Monday, January 6, 2024

**Wishing all our Butterfly Families
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**



OBJECTIVES FOR THIS MONTH

LANGUAGE ARTS:

Learning new vocabulary: Holiday, Christmas, Hanukkah, presents, Christmas tree, bell, holly, star, green.

December song/rhyme: Santa song

Name recognition

Name of this month, the sound of the first letter of this month, words that start with the letter Dd.

MATHEMATICS:

Counting calendar numbers

Finding numbers for a weather chart

Sorting

SCIENCE:

Weather Chart: today's weather

Explore and learn about weight and measurement

MOTOR SKILLS:

Simple gymnastic skills: tumbling, rolling

Writing Center: Scissors, holding crayons and other writing materials, gluing

