

# Children's Village News



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# **HOLIDAY PLANNING**

With the holiday season upon us, we know things can get a little hectic and some families may forget to tell us about planned days off.

So that we are able to staff appropriately, it is very helpful if you could let us know ahead of time if your child will be out any days in December and January (especially Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> & Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>). Knowing this will help us to grant some requests for time off for staff. You can stop by the office and let us know or just respond to the newsletter email informing us of any days you plan on keeping your child out of school.



# **CURRICULUM**

This month's curriculum focus will be family traditions, weather changes, animals in the winter, giving, and gifts to nature:



## **FAMILY TRADITIONS**

We welcome you to come and read a story or share one of your family's holiday traditions with the school or your child's class. Please contact your child's teacher to arrange a date and time.

#### **Library Day**

**Rooms 1 & 5** will be walking to the El Modena Branch Library, located at 380 S. Hewes St, on **XXXXX**. We will be leaving school around 9:10am.



# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

# **Sensory Screening**

The Southern California Sensory Screening will be at our school on Wednesday the 4th. They screen in five areas: vision, colorblindness, hearing, speech/language and gross/fine motor. Screening is available for children three years and over. The cost is \$25 for any two tests, \$30 for any four tests, or \$35 for all five. Forms were put in your child's sign in/out sheet. If you have any questions, please call, or stop by the office.

#### **Park Day**

**Room 3** will be walking to La Veta Park located @ 3705 E. La Veta Ave, on **XXXXX**. We will be leaving school around 9:20am.

#### **Book Exchange**

We will be having a book exchange on **Thursday the 19th**. This is a great opportunity to teach children about the joy of giving and receiving while promoting literacy.

Each child should bring a wrapped book to be given to another child in his/her class (\$5 limit please). Label who it is from only, do not specify who the book should go to.

Children not attending school the day of the "Book Exchange" are welcome to come for the event at 11:00am, but must be accompanied by an adult.

## **Winter Break**

School will be <u>CLOSED</u> on Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.

We will be open for all programs starting **Thursday**, **January 2**<sup>nd</sup>.

# **Gift Donation**

This holiday season we will be joining Operation Santa Claus in providing holiday joy and laughter to the children and families in foster care, group homes, needy children in transition who are abused, neglected, physically or mentally challenged, or homeless in Orange County.

You can support this great cause by donating gifts for families and children of all ages. We strongly encourage you to involve your child in the process by talking about what you are doing, why you are doing it and by letting your child choose a gift (depending on the age). Remember the Operation Santa Claus serves children of all ages, birth through age seventeen (17).

The representative said they are always in need, or low, on toddler toys, teen gifts and girl specific toys.

All donations are due on Tuesday the 17th.

#### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Last month, we used some of our bonus points to be used towards a new digital camera for the school!

December book orders are available by the sign in/out books and are **due Tuesday**, **December 10**th.

# **LOOKING INTO JANUARY**

\* Wed. 1/1 = School Closed Holiday \* Mon. 1/20 = School Closed Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Staff In-Service \* Tues. 1/28 = Preschool field trip to La Habra Children's Museum

