A Message from the Teachers

With December themes being Winter and Christmas, we have plenty of exciting learning experiences and fun activities to look forward to!

Ms. Rhonda, the librarian from Canmore Public Library, will visit all classes to prepare us for our monthly trips to the library starting in January. The Pre-K classes are looking forward to another Body Movement class with Ms. Cathy and two music classes with Ms. Sue.

Our class Christmas parties will be on December 21st and 22nd. There will be special crafts, holiday songs & party games. At snack time, we will decorate sugar cookies and enjoy them afterwards – yum, yum!! Look for the posters in the hallway to sign up as an extra parent helper for the last hour of the class to assist with some of these party activities. All parents are invited to join in for Santa’s visits: 30 minutes before the end of Ms. Carmen’s classes, and 15 minutes before the end of Ms. Claire’s classes. This is a special time for your preschooler, no siblings, please...And please keep Santa’s visit a secret!

Enjoy this fun action rhyme that we will be learning this month:

A Chubby Little Snowman
Had a carrot nose
Along hopped a bunny
And what do you suppose?
That hungry little bunny
Looking for his lunch
Ate the snowman’s carrot nose
Nibble, nibble, CRUNCH!

A big thank you to all parents for your help in the classroom! Your visits are as important to your child as they are to the preschool. And THANKS to the Preschool Board and Ms. Lindsey for keeping us running so smoothly!

Happy Holidays!

Ms. Claire and Ms. Carmen
Tickets Sold as of Dec 1: **1,200** out of 2,000

*If each family sold one more book right now, we would sell out!*

Please stop by the office to pick up another book of tickets. Remember, there are some wonderful prizes for the top sellers, as well as a prize draw for every family who sells 2 or more books.

*The winners will be drawn at the Preschool board meeting on December 14th. All ticket stubs must be returned to the office BEFORE that date.* Thanks!

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**Thank You…**

…to Canmore Veterinary Hospital, WildSmart, and Kananaskis Environmental Ed for making time in their busy schedules to visit our classes and teach us about animals of all kinds.

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**We saw more than 3,000 shoppers at the 2017 Market!**

Thank you to Julia Freeman for doing a fantastic job in her first time organizing the Artisans Market. She was thrown several curveballs – including a date change – and she hit them all out of the park!

Thanks also to the volunteers and vendors that make the market possible. As we look forward to next year’s 24th annual Market, we really appreciate that this is truly a community event.

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**Santa Visits – December 21 & 22**

Santa will visit each of our classes during their Christmas parties on the last day before winter break. We keep it a secret from the kids, but parents should know in case you want to come and take pictures. Parents are not required to attend, but if you’d like to here are the times. Please don’t bring siblings, just because Santa will not have extra presents for them at this time.

- **Dec 21 AM:** Ms. Carmen’s 3yo AM Class – 10:30am
- **Dec 21 PM:** Ms. Claire’s 3yo PM Class – 2:15pm
- **Dec 22:** Ms. Carmen’s PreK AM Class – 11:15am

- **Dec 21 AM:** Ms. Claire’s 3yo AM Class – 10:45am
- **Dec 21 PM:** Ms. Carmen’s PreK PM Class – 3:00pm
- **Dec 22:** Ms. Claire’s PreK AM Class – 11:30am
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