



Meadowdale Preschool Newsletter

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Dates to Remember:

November 1
November Tuition Due

November 9
Open House
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

November 23
Thanksgiving Feast

November 24-25
Thanksgiving Break
(no school)
Edmonds School District is taking
November 23rd off, but we WILL
have preschool.

November 22
Scholastic Book Orders Due
(Combined November and
December order)

November Themes:

Nutrition
Thanksgiving
America

Letters:
Nn, Ff, Tt

Open House

November 9 is the date of our Open House. Please drop by any time between 6:30p.m. -- 7:30p.m. and view the classroom through your child's eyes. Your children have been working diligently on a number of projects for our Open House and are very excited to share them with you. This is a chance for you to meet other families, view your child's projects, and have your child be a tour guide of their classroom.

Please remember, this is a time for your child to share their classroom, not a time to discuss your child's progress in school. We feel any concerns should be dealt with in a private manner. We look forward to seeing you on November 9th!

Snacks

Thanks to everyone who has brought in a variety of snacks over the last couple of months. Please remember to follow the guidelines in the Parent Handbook when providing nutritious snacks for your children. Healthy food helps

build more than a healthy heart It helps promote healthy brain development in young children too.

Name Writing

Whilst we do everything we can at school to help improve your child's name writing - we ask that you also work with them at home to help them develop their writing skills. Remember – they may not have any idea how to “write a letter P” so help guide them. The children love using our white erase boards when we practice our letters and numbers. You might want to consider trying one of these boards at home. Tracing is also one way to help them learn the letters of their name. Help them understand that we write from top to bottom and left to right ... help by holding your child's hand and slowly write the letter with them. Begin with a couple of letters and work your way to the whole name. Good luck and don't give up – patience and understanding go a long way with a young child ☺



Scholastic Book Orders

Thank you to everyone who has placed Scholastic book orders. Our classroom continues to receive free books for every order you place.

Remember, you can place your Scholastic book orders on-line or send the handwritten form to school with your child. On-line access information will go home with each catalog.

Our next order will include November and December catalogs. We will place the order late November to allow the books to arrive in time for Winter Break.



Germs! Yuck!!

We are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of germs. However, they still make their way around schools especially with young children.

Here is how you, the parent, can help:

- * If your child is sick, please keep them home.
- * If they have a fever, diarrhea or have been vomiting, please keep them home an extra 24 hours.
- * Teach your child how to properly blow/wipe their nose – and wash their hands with soap & water after doing so.

* Wash their hands before coming to class and **after using the bathroom with soap and water.**

* Try to encourage your child not to touch their eyes, nose, or mouth.

Please remember to call in your child's absence if they are ill or missing school for another reason.

Thank you for your support.

Wish List

- * always a variety of stickers (we have a "sticker happy" class this year ☺)
- * plastic lids the size of a individual yogurt container

Good Listening "Rules" in school

To help your child be a good listener – try using these steps when you need your child to listen to you. We use this in preschool and a lot of elementary schools also use this step: ask your child to please "show you 5" (hold up 5 fingers)...

- * **Eyes watching speaker**
- * **Ears listening to speaker**
- * **Voice quiet**
- * **Body still**
- * **Hands to yourself**

Being a good listener helps children be better learners.

...more of
"How was school?"
without actually asking
"How was school?"
(Simple Simon and Company website)

1. Where is the coolest place at the school?
2. Tell me a weird word that you heard today. (Or something weird that someone said.)
3. If I called your teacher tonight what would she tell me about you?
4. How did you help somebody today?

**Happy Thanksgiving to all Meadowdale
Preschool students and their families!**