



PATHWAY MONTESSORI



2017 First New Year in our New Location

Welcome back, Happy New Year to all, and we hope that you had a great holiday season with friends and family. We want to thank all the families for the thoughtful gifts and cards that were given to us before the holidays. We would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" for bringing family and friends to our classroom Holiday Celebration. We had a wonderful turnout and delicious food brought in by all. Our last week of school was filled with excitement in making holiday cards and getting ready for the concert. The children did a fantastic job on their song presentations! We hope you enjoyed their performances! We hope

that you took the opportunity to see the Kindergarten cultural presentations downstairs. They did such a wonderful job on their presentations, too!

In January, the children will continue talking about the season of Winter as well as looking at some winter sports! They will also talk about Chinese New Year at the end of the month. We would also like to welcome two new students to our class in January: Leo and Vida.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We will be holding Parent/Teacher Interviews from 6 – 8 pm on the evening of Jan. 26 and during the day on Jan. 27th. Interviews will be limited to 15 minutes. There will be a sign-up sheet available for you to schedule a time for your interview. If more time is needed, you can make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher at another time.

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Dates this Month

- Jan 3** School Re-opens. Students Return
- Jan 12** Parent Night - Kindergarten Q & A 7 – 8 Woodbine location
- Jan 26** Parent Teacher Interviews (6-8 PM only)
- Jan 27** Parent Teacher Interviews **No school**

Happy Birthday!

You will receive a note from your class teacher to let you know when the birthday will be celebrated at school.

Jan 21
Jasmine Jordan Age 4

Shape and Colours and Sound Basket

Children love to share. One way that they can do this is to bring an item to school that starts with the sound of the week. These items will help introduce and reinforce the phonetic sounds of the letters. The item is placed in the sound basket, and when it is circle time we look at all the items that start with that particular sound of the week. Children love bringing some-

thing, so please take some time, and find a small item or object to bring every day your child comes to school. Please place the item in a small Ziploc bag with their name on it.

The sounds for this month will be:

- Jan. 3-6 "a" as in apple
- Jan. 9-13 "b" as in bike
- Jan. 16-20 "c" as in cat
- Jan.23-26 "d" as in dog



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REMINDERS: **YEAR END TAX RECEIPTS**

If you require a year end tax receipt, please send me an email with your child's name, name for the receipt and current address. I will process requests in order as I receive them as quickly as I can.

CHANGING WEATHER

Please use extra precaution during these cold months ahead. Though we are clearing our parking lot and walkways, they may still be slippery. Please help us to prevent falls by walking slowly and wearing weather-appropriate shoes.

ILLNESS PREVENTION

Thank you to all the parents who have kept their children at home when they have been sick with runny noses, coughs, and colds. This is the season teachers are fighting off sore throats and colds as well. Making sure that your child is well before he/she returns to school will result in happier children and less chance of infecting others.

UPDATE SCHOOL INFORMATION

Changed your phone number, email address or emergency contact? Has your child received health immunizations recently? Please email if you need to make any changes! Thank you!

Parents Night –Kindergarten Q & A

WHAT IS KINDERGARTEN? IS MY CHILD READY FOR KINDER- GARTEN?

We will host a Kindergarten Question & Answer Parent Night on January 12th from 7 - 8pm at our Woodbine location at 464 Woodbine Blvd. SW. We will explain the benefits of maintaining those Montessori foundations through the child's elementary school experience. If you have a child that is eligible to go into kindergarten next year (your child must be 4 years old by March 1, 2017 to qualify) this will be a great session for you.

REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018 BEGINS SOON!

Parents who are currently registered in our preschool will be receiving information shortly with regards to registration for the upcoming school year, 2017 – 2018. Please watch your email for this information. Public Registration for the upcoming year has been on going with first priority going to existing parents up to January 31. After that, we will fill available spaces from our waiting list in order of the date of the completed application. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

