

TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

December 2019 Preschool News



DEAR PARENTS

Happy Holidays! This is such a fun time of year. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable time. Reminder there is NO PRESCHOOL December 23rd-January 1st. Classes will resume on Thursday, January 2nd. Tuition deduction has already been figured in the master pay schedule. Enjoy your winter break!

GIFT DONATIONS

Does your work or do you have connections to a place that has gift certificates, treats, or gift items? We are looking for donations for prizes at our staff holiday party. Let us know by Friday, December 6th if you can help us out with a donation.

PRESCHOOL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

We will be having a holiday celebration on Friday, December 13th. Check your child's backpack for the invitation flyer for your child's program time.

THERE IS NO PRESCHOOL CLASS ON THIS DAY! Please drop your child off in the muscle room before going to the preschool classroom to have a seat.

SANTA IS COMING...SHHH!!!

The West St. Paul Police Department will have a Santa come out and visit our classrooms on Tuesday, December 10th at 10:10 a.m.

SUPPORT TINY TOTS WHILE YOU SHOP

Planning to do some holiday shopping on Amazon? Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and sign in or create an account the same as you would for amazon.com. There is an option/search where you can put in Tiny Tots & Little Tykes as the organization you would like a portion of your purchase to go to.

DRESS FOR WEATHER

Remember to dress your child appropriately for the colder weather. Children will go outside to play every day that the temperature is above 0° and there are no warnings. Going outside when properly dressed is very healthy for the children. If you feel your child is too ill to go outside, they are too ill to be at school.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thank you to all for meeting with us for Parent/Teacher conferences. This is an important time for us to discuss goals for the children and how the year is going so far.



HOMEWORK REMINDER

Reminder to be sure to help your child with their homework for the letter of the week.



FALL FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all who participated in the fall fundraiser! Emily Mather won the \$25.00 tuition credit for selling the most pizzas.

PARENT EDUCATION

Also, be sure to check out the Parent Education section on our website for this month's topic: "How to Make Grateful Kids."



TYKES CORNER



The holidays are here!

Here are some fun facts and a fun snack recipe you can make with your child(ren) taken from kidsplayandcreate.com.

*The song "Jingle Bells" was written by James Pierpont in 1857. It was originally called "One Horse Open Sleigh" and was made for Thanksgiving.

*Did you know that tinsel was once made of real silver! It was invented in Germany in 1610.

*There are 3 towns in the US that are named Santa Claus. One in Georgia, one in Arizona and one in Indiana.

*Reindeer are also known as Caribou. In Europe they are called Reindeer all the time. America we called them Caribou in the wild and when domesticated we call them Reindeer.

Reindeer Snack Recipe:

*Mix together in a bowl: 1 cup bran cereal, 1 cup oats, 1/2 cup raisins, 1/2 cup shredded coconut

*Add in 1/2 cup of peanut butter. Mix well. Place mixture in the refrigerator for 30 minutes. The mixture will harden a little bit.

*Take a spoonful of the mixture and roll it into a ball. This will be the reindeer's head.

*Use the M&M's to make the eyes and nose. You can use red M&M's to make Rudolph.

*Place 1 pretzel on each side of the reindeer's head to make antlers.

*Keep your reindeer snacks in the refrigerator until you are ready to eat them.

