

TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

December 2020 Child Care News

DEAR PARENTS

Happy Holidays! As we prepare for the holidays, we ask that you let the office know if you will be taking time off, so we can properly staff our classrooms during the holidays, the last week of December and the first week of January. Thank you for your help!

HOLIDAY REMINDER

We are closed Thursday, Dec. 24th, Friday, Dec. 25th, and Friday, Jan. 1st.

Note: Our policy states there is no deduction in tuition for any holidays.

*Preschool is not in session from December 24th-January 1st. Classes resume Monday, January 4th.

We wish you all a very Happy Holiday season however you are able to celebrate this year!

SUPPORT TINY TOTS WHILE YOU SHOP

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Planning to do some holiday shopping on Amazon? If so, please consider supporting us during this challenging time. We are doing our best to remain open and keep up with COVID safety guidelines. All you need to do is go to 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. Thank you for your support during this difficult time.

SEE SANTA IN A PARADE



Santa has gotten creative this year, as we all have. South Metro Fire will be having Santa ride around the area on an old fire truck. It's called "Public Safety Holiday Roll Out Parade" and it will be on Thursday, December 3rd at 5:30 p.m. There will be a parade route published with you that we will share as soon as it is completed. This will be a fun & safe way to see Santa this year if you live in the area!

SEE WHAT SANTA IS UP TO FROM HOME

There is a fun website called emailsanta.com where you can watch live webcams or recorded videos to see what Santa and his helpers are doing. There are also coloring pages, elves that tell stories, a naughty or nice checker, a Santa tracker, and much more. Oh what fun... ho, ho, ho!

SANTA'S WORKSHOP AT TINY TOTS

On Thursday, December 17th the classrooms will be having their own workshop to make some little toys/crafts. Some rooms may even exchange what they made with someone else.



ENRICHMENTS

*MUSIC:

Sharon will do a “Winter Fun, Holiday Extravaganza” theme for music this month. She will teach the children through singing, playing instruments, and using other items such as ribbons.

Preschool will be singing a few holiday songs on Facebook Live on Friday, December 11th at 10:00 a.m.

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 windchill 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.

COVID UPDATE

With COVID cases on the rise here in Minnesota we ask that everyone does their part and does not bring their child(ren) if they have any symptoms. Also, they should not come if they or anyone in the household is being tested for COVID or has come in close contact with anyone who has tested positive. It is imperative that you let us know of any of the above situations.

PARENT EDUCATION

Be sure to check out the Parent Education section on our website for this month’s topic: “Holidays During the Pandemic.”



Celebration of Mickey’s 92nd Birthday!

TYKES CORNER

The holidays are here! We all are celebrating differently this year and doing more at home. Here are a few ideas for you! Some silly & fun questions you can ask your children and a 2-ingredient recipe for making a holiday ornament.

Q: What goes oh, oh, oh?

A: Santa Claus walking backwards.

Q: How do you know Santa Claus is good at karate?

A: He has a black belt.

Q: What’s black, white, and red all over?

A: Santa Claus after he comes down the chimney.

Q: Where does a snowman keep his money?

A: In a snowbank.

2 ingredient Christmas Ornament Recipe:
Preheat oven to 200 degrees.

Pour 3.9oz of apple sauce into a mixing bowl. Slowly add about ½ cup of ground cinnamon. The consistency should be smooth, slightly wet but not sticky.

Lightly dust a piece of parchment paper with cinnamon then roll out the dough with a rolling pin. They should be about ¼ inch thick, the same thickness as making cookies.

Once your dough is rolled out use your cookie cutters to make shapes. Poke a hole near the top to put a ribbon through for hanging.

Bake at 200 degrees for 1.5 hours.

Decorate or leave plain. Hang on tree!