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# Parents Cooperative Preschool



**December 2010**    **Theme: Holiday Happiness**    **Color: Green**    **Shape: Star**    **Numbers: 5**

## DECEMBER DATES

Dec. 1-12 - Tuition due  
Dec. 15 - PTO Meeting 6:00 PM  
Dec. 12-15 SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

### Holiday Sing-a-Long

Dec. 21 - Room 2 and Room 3 – M/W classes  
Dec. 22 - AM - Room 2 and 3 T/Th classes  
          - 4K AM classes  
          PM - Room 3 PM  
          - 4K PM Class  
Dec. 23 - Jan 2 - **No school** - Winter Break  
*School resumes Tuesday, January 3*

## CALENDAR DETAILS

**The Holiday Sing-a-Long** - is coming up! See the extra page below for all the information you need.  
**PTO Meeting** - Just a reminder that our PTO meeting is at night this month. All children are welcome to come!  
**Scholastic Book Fair**- This month instead of a flyer sent home and ordering books online, Scholastic is coming to us! We will have a book fair Monday, December 12 - Thursday, December 15. Books will be available to purchase during drop-off and pick-up times in the morning and during drop-off for the afternoon classes. This is a great time to buy Christmas presents and to buy the book you need for the preschool Sing-a-Long! (see below.)

4K Letters We are Learning- Week of: Dec. 5 - K    Dec. 12 - Review    Dec. 19 - Review

## WHAT'S NEW

**Teacher Gift Tree** – PTO, once again, has a tree on the wall in the hallway with paper ornaments listing items on the teacher's wish lists for their classroom. Feel free to look, and if you'd like to buy the item for the classroom, and it's something they would only need one of, you may take the ornament off the tree. The teachers *never* expect holiday gifts; this is done by PTO as some parents request ideas.

**School Cancellations** - Please remember that we follow the Fort Atkinson School district and will cancel classes if they do. In case of inclement weather, you can listen to local radio stations, watch Madison television stations or check on the internet. If there is an early release, there will be no afternoon classes.

## NOTES

**Poinsettias and Pies** - Poinsettias will be here Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Please pick these up asap. These are tropical plants that are very sensitive to cold, so please be sure to keep them in warm cars! The gift certificates will be there that day too.

**Thank you** - to all the parents who volunteered or donated to the David Landau Concert. Everything turned out wonderful and this fundraiser was a success and everyone had a great time!

**Thank you** -To Mindy Witte and Cynthia Ficenc for doing Scholastic orders.

### Play Dough

**December**-green - The Luebbe's & The deGroot's & The Garlock's - Thank you!!  
**January**-white - The Eske's & The Dunford's

**Happy Holidays!**

# December 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> <b>Tuition Due</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>PTO Meeting 6:00pm</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <u>Holiday</u> <u>Sing-a-Long</u> Rooms 2/3 M/W	<b>22</b> <u>Holiday</u> <u>Sing-a-Long</u> AM -Rms 2/3 T/Th -4K-AM PM -Rm 3	<b>23</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Winter Break</b>
<b>25</b> <b>Winter Break</b>  MERRY CHRISTMAS!  	<b>26</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Winter Break</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Winter Break</b> Classes Resume Jan. 3, 2012

*Happy New Year!*

## Holiday Sing-a-Long

Wednesday, December 21, and Thursday, December 22,

*During the Holiday Sing-a-Long, we will again have a box for donations of non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. If you didn't get a chance to donate during the Thanksgiving Feast, please bring an item or two for the food pantry if you can. Thank you!*

### Time:

8:00 - AM /11:50- 4K PM /12:00-RM 3-PM Drop the children off in classrooms at the *regular time*. Drop the **book** off in the kitchen - See below for more information about books. Parents may find a seat, chairs along the walls, and the floor is open in the middle, bring a blanket if you like!

8:15-AM/12:15-PM Children come in to sing, each class takes turns, starting with the youngest class. In between each class, parents join in to the song played. Parents may move to the front if your child is going to be singing next. If your child's class is finished, please move back to allow others to move to the front and get good pictures.

**Santa:** The last song is "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" with several verses and Santa will come in near the end. Santa will have a big bag of presents (books) for all the children.

**Books:** Each parent needs to bring in one wrapped book (value of \$5 or less) for each child with the child's name clearly written on it. Please only bring one book, other children will notice if your child gets two. If the wrapping paper is light enough, write in permanent marker on the wrapping paper or on a piece of white paper taped to the package. First and last name please, printed in LARGE letters. Santa's eyesight is not the greatest! ☺ Please feel free to bring a wrapped book for any other child that will be there with you, such as siblings. There will be bags with each teacher's name and be sure your child's name is checked off the list in the kitchen.

**Shhh!:** After some of the books are handed out, children can go to their parents and open their presents quietly. Please be respectful of the children who are waiting patiently to have their name called by Santa as it can get quite loud in the gym as more and more names are called. Please feel free to go up and take pictures when your child goes to get their book from Santa, and kindly step back to allow other parents to come up.

**Dress:** Although some parents like to have their children wear dress-up clothes, it is not required.

**Snacks:** After all the presents are handed out, please enjoy some juice and cookies! If anyone would like to bring a dozen cookies, that would be much appreciated! Sign-up sheets will be up by the classrooms soon.

**\*\*\*\* When the sing-a-long is over, the children are dismissed to their parents. There is not regular class on these days. Santa will be staying afterwards so you can get pictures of your child with Santa. Families are free to go home after that time!**

*Wednesday, Dec. 21*

*Thursday, Dec. 22 AM*

*Thursday, Dec. 22 PM*

Mrs. Vorpahl's M/W

Mrs. Vorpahl's T/Th

Mrs. Martin's RM 3

Mrs. Nehmer's M/W

Mrs. Nehmer's T/Th

Mrs. Johnson's pm 4K

Mrs. Martin's am 4K

Mrs. Johnson's am 4K

**\*\*AM 4K children will have regular class on Wednesday even though the 2 and 3 M/W classes will be having the Sing-a-long. They will attend the concert, but leave before Santa comes.**