



Pre-K Newsletter for the Month of December

SPECIAL DAYS

- 7th-Orange Day
- 8th-Marine Biologist Day- *Wear your Swimsuit (with shorts or pants)*
- 12th-Inside Out Day- *Wear your clothes inside out*
- 14th-Favorite Toy- *Bring in your favorite toy from home. Center Wide Day*
- 15th- Dress to IMPRESS Day
- 19th-Silly Sock Day
- 26th-Wear your favorite WINTER PJ's
- 28th- Family Quilt Square Day
- 29th- Medieval Day-Prince or Princess Day



Themes and Activities

4th-8th Marine Life & Ocean Creatures

M-Mystery Hat: Introduction to letter O o

T- Oobleck-Messy but fun

W- **Letter Bag Day:**

Bring something that starts with letter O

Th- Cycle of a Sea Turtle **Orange Day**

F- **Marine Biologist Day-Wear your Swimsuit**

11th-15th Ice Cream, Igloos and Icicles

M-Mystery Hat: Introduction to letter I i

T- **Inside Out Day**-Wear your clothes inside out

W- **Letter Bag Day:**

Bring something that starts with letter I i

Th- Igloos and Snow globes **Favorite Toy**

F- I is for Ice Cream **Dress to IMPRESS day**

18th-22nd Space, Sun, Moon, Stars and Planets

M-Mystery Hat: Introduction to letter: S s

T- Solar System **Silly Sock Day**

W- **Letter Bag Day:**

Bring something that starts with letter S s

Th-Moon Book: Full, Half, Crescent, and Sliver

F- Astronaut Life

25th-29th Medieval Life-Kings, Queens, and Castles

M-CLOSED

T- Mystery Hat-Intro to letter Q q

Wear your favorite Winter PJ's

W- **Letter Bag Day: Bring something that starts with letter Q q**

Th- **Family Quilt Square Day**

F- **Medieval Day- Prince or Princess Day**

Skills to work on with your child:

Rhyming

Is your preschooler a Seuss-aholic? That's a very good thing. ☺ Learning what a rhyme is, what it sounds like and how it's used is an important skill as well. Rhyme is a basic function of phonemic awareness and is essential to helping children crack the code of reading.

The Alphabet

It goes without saying that the alphabet is a critical element for children to learn. It's the cornerstone of reading, writing and even mathematics. So, learning this important preschool lesson is of the utmost importance.

Reminders:

Flu season is upon us. We ask that you keep home children who are ill. Any child who has experienced a fever, vomiting, diarrhea, severe cough or extreme nasal congestion within the past 24 hours SHOULD NOT be at Playhouse. Remember that many families are traveling this time of year to visit friends and family. Taking along a sick child is no fun. If a child becomes ill during the time he/she is at Playhouse, you will be called to pick him/her up.

Thank you so much,
 Ms. Matzje Kopischke