

The Preschool "TIMES" Happy Holidays!



December 2023

Hancock Preschool Class!

PRESCHOOL PARENTS!

This is our **NEWSLETTER** where you will receive information about our classroom, the activities, and important dates/events. We play **OUTSIDE for a few minutes each day (weather permitting)**. Your child needs close-toed shoes and a warm jacket! It is ok to send your child with a water bottle. **TOILETRY ITEMS** Please have 2 pullups, wipes, and a change of clothes in your child's backpack EVERY DAY. **ALL CLASS INFORMATION** is also posted on my webpage on Hancock Elementary School website.

MONTHLY THEMES 😊

Letters: Ww, Qq, Rr, Gg

Songs: "Winter Clothing Hokey Pokey", "Five Gingerbread Men"

Books: "The Mitten", "The Gingerbread Baby"

Themes: "Winter Wonderland"

Color: WHITE

Math: Number/Quantity 1-10

Science: Astonishing Air!

THINGS YOU CAN DO AT HOME

*Talk about / use words in your home like "in", "on top", "behind", "up/down", "in front"...and demonstrate with objects around your home. i.e. "put your shoes ON the ...", "the cup is BEHIND the...", etc.

*Look for WHITE objects in your yard or at the park. Talk about how the clouds are WHITE, snow is WHITE, ETC.

*USE VISUALS (pictures of objects, places, actions) to emphasize what you are asking / expecting of your child. (Preschool staff can help with this if needed)

*Create a space for your child to have their backpack, etc. to go to school helping to create that routine and expectation of "going to school"

*Expect your child to follow 1 step instructions. (You can give gestures i.e. pointing, waving, etc.)

*Expect independence from your child i.e. expect them to follow you where you want to go without holding their hand in places you are comfortable allowing them to be.

*Expect your child to start taking care of their belongings i.e. put backpack in special spot, take things out for parent to see, throw away trash on their own, etc.

*Read short picture books to your child and talk about objects and actions in the story. Count objects (1-10), talk about the color and size of different characters.

TEACHER NOTES

Dec 11	Ms Amy RETURNS!
Dec 12	Happy Birthday Nancy!
Dec 15	Happy Birthday Dottie!
Dec 21	Last Day of School
Dec 29	Happy Birthday Billy!
Dec 22-Jan 8	Holiday Break
Jan 9	Students Return

WISH LIST- Elmer's glue sticks (Purple), Kleenex Chlorox Wipes (PLEASE)

SONGS/LYRICS

"Winter Clothing Hokey Pokey"

You put your HAT in, you put your HAT out, you put your HAT in, and you shake it all about. You do the winter hokey pokey, and you turn yourself about. That's what it's all about!

You put your SCARF in, you put your SCARF out, you put your SCARF in, and you shake it all about....

You put your BOOTS in....

You put your MITTENS in....

"Five Gingerbread Men"

Five gingerbread men lying on a tray, One jumped up and ran away! Shouting.....

"Catch me, catch me, catch me if you can, I run really fast, I'm the Gingerbread Man, the Gingerbread Man, the Gingerbread Man, I run really fast, I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

Four gingerbread men lying on a tray

Three gingerbread men lying on a tray....

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