



PS Director

November 30, 2007

Dear RMDS Preschool parents,

The Preschool is humming along with fall activities and the happy sounds of children's voices. It was fun to see all the princess-ballerinas, super guys, firemen and various animals on Halloween and Costume Day. The parade for Dia de Los Muertos was noisy and colorful!

We've had a few rainy days this month, and we can expect to have many more as the winter sets in. Please remember to send rubber boots to school on rainy days and on the day after it rains so your child can play outside without getting wet feet. The sun shine has been nice and warm, but it does get cold in the afternoons and on cloudy days, so please make sure your child always has something warm to put on in their cubby.

Our first Parent/Teacher conferences went very well. Thank you for making the time to come in and participate in this "Getting to Know You" meeting. We know from studies, that a parent's positive attitude towards school has an enormous influence on a child's success as a student. These Preschool conferences can be important learning experiences for parents, as you "practice" communicating with your child's Teachers.

The Giving Thanks Circle was well attended and we enjoyed singing some new songs as well as old favorites. It was difficult to fit everyone into the Annex, so our next event, the Holiday Sing-A-Long on December 14th, will take place in the Social Hall at Kol Shofar, where there is more room. Each class will have a family pot luck lunch following the singing. Look for sign-up sheets in your child's classroom.

We're excited about the Book Fair and Literacy week. Our school wide theme for the months of November and December is "Books and Stories" and it's a wonderful way to tie in our curriculum activities with the larger theme of literacy and a love of books. One of the Preschool's favorite days is Pajama Day on Friday, Dec. 7th. Children are asked to bring a favorite book and we'll be reading all day long. Parents and family members are welcome to come in to read, also. The Preschool teachers have picked out books from the Book Fair that they would like to have in their classrooms. Be sure to check your class "wish list" at the fair if you'd like to purchase a special book for your child's class. We are also collecting books to donate to MAWS (Marin Abused Women's Services) They need books for children of all ages and these can be purchased at the book fair or brought from home.

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Don't forget the Holiday Food Drive for the Marin Food Bank. Many of you have already begun to bring food items in and put them in the barrels – thank you! We will continue to collect food until December 20th.

December dates to remember:

Pre-K children go directly to the Elementary school on Tuesday, Dec. 4th for Reading with Buddies.

Read me a Story in my Pajamas Day – Friday, Dec. 7th

Holiday Sing-A-Long for all families on Friday, Dec. 14th at 11:30 followed by Pot Luck lunch

Winter Break – school will be closed from Dec. 20th – January 6th. We return on Monday, January 7th.

Have a safe and Happy Holiday!

Best Regards,

Laura