

CREATE SOME PEACE THIS SEASON

The holiday season can be filled with activity and special pleasures. We hope that you will create time to catch your breath, be still, and enjoy your child. Reading a book or telling a story with your little one snuggled close can be of more value than viewing too many television specials. Family traditions are more memorable than squeezing in more "Christmas spectaculars." We wish you each a blessed and beautiful holiday season!

SNOW DAYS (Just In Case!) Remember to listen to WGAL-TV, Channel 8, or check their web site for any delays or cancellations. When Hempfield schools are delayed, we will have classes with a modified schedule. 2 day, 3 day, and 4 day 10:30-12:30. Tiny Tots 10:30-12:00, Enrichment Class 12:30-2:30, and Lunch Bunch 12:30-2.

EMAIL ALERTS/REMINDERS Please be sure we have an accurate email address you use regularly.

FUNDRAISER APPRECIATION We are grateful to all of you for the ways you supported Trinity Preschool through the fundraiser with Bird-in-Hand Bakery! We sold well over 300 baked goods! **That's more than last years total!!!** We are aware of how much time some of you put into taking orders, collecting money, picking up and delivering and we thank you! The proceeds will be used to replace worn out, tired toys as well as pay for field trips and special events.

PRESCHOOL SKILLS Your child spends time each day in class developing fine motor skills like cutting with scissors, manipulating writing tools, and placing puzzle pieces. The more opportunities they have to practice at home, the less frustrating it will be for them. Keep this in mind as you make your child's "wish list" for the holiday! Does your child have access to a wide variety of writing tools, child safety scissors, glue, paints, reading/picture books and play dough? There are some wonderful teaching videos and television programs but nothing teaches better than doing!

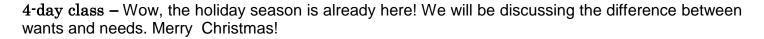
A CHILD'S LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT Your child may be able to express himself so that you can understand, but he is still developing! To stimulate speech and language development:

- encourage your child to express his feelings, ideas, dreams, wishes and fears.
- comment on what you did or how you think your child feels; this will stimulate more speech than a direct question.
- allow your child to create new, free designs with crayons and paper; then ask her what she has made.
- help your child memorize songs, rhymes and verses. Nursery rhymes are terrific!
- continue to read longer stories.
- talk with your child as you would with an adult in most instances.
- remember that your child will understand more than he/she will be able to say.
- <u>actively</u> listen when your child talks.

SPECIAL DATES AND TOPICS

Monday December 20 through Friday, December 31 – **NO SCHOOL** Christmas Holiday Monday, January 3 – 3 Day and 4 Day Classes resume Tuesday, January 4 - 2 Day Class resume Wednesday, January 5 - Enrichment class resume Thursday, January 6 - Tiny Tots class resume FRIDAY JANUARY 14 Semi annual, quarterly, and monthly payments due

Monday, January 17 - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day



3-day class – December is a short month full of gingerbread men, magic and wonder and doing for others. We will continue with our shapes and number recognition as well as continuing our letters of the week. We wish you all a wonderful holiday season

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Tiny Tots – Tiny tots will be exploring the color green, and triangles. We will learn some Christmas songs and be thinking about Santa and his reindeer!





PRESCHOOL TAX NUMBER Tax #23-1719341. If you are working while your child is in preschool, you may be able to claim tuition. See your tax advisor.

"I hear, and I forget. I see, and I remember. I do, and I understand." - Chinese proverb

