



Miss Robin & Miss Sarah's 4's December Newsletter

Believe it or not here come the holidays!! December may be a short month for us at Mayflower but it is in no way short of learning and fun! We have many magical lessons and special events planned this month and we are excited to share them with you including; Eric Carle, winter birds and All about the Holidays.

For the month of December, the character trait we will be focusing on is giving. To assist us in this, we will be having a **Giving Tree** in our classroom. You and your child can donate something for the **Kid's Food Basket** program, which donates food items to children who may need a dinner after school. The program serves children in the Grand Rapids area. We will be collecting items until December 19th.

Wednesday, December 19th is our special **Gingerbread Decorating Day**, where a parent or special person is invited to spend the morning with us, making gingerbread

houses and other various activities.

There will be refreshments and a short program put on by our wonderful class, including your wonderful child! We ask that each family contribute a candy item for the decorating and your own personal frosting. Please look for the sign-up sheet in the hallway.

The party will last the entire class period. To keep the focus on your child's special day we ask that siblings do not attend this event.

Thursday, December 20th, we will pretend to ride the **Polar Express!**

It is also **pajama day**, so your child can roll out of bed and into the car today! We **WILL** still play outside that day so please come ready to be on the playground.

Please continue to keep your child zipped up, with gloves and hats on, ready to join their friends on the playground at drop off. Also please make sure your child has a pair of shoes to wear inside the classroom



once we change out of our boots. We are working on helping our little ones be as independent as possible, so something they can get on with limited assistance would be great (although we are always willing to help when needed).

Please make sure to label all your child's winter belongings to help make sure everyone is coming home with their own things, since we often have very similar looking winter items.

Please note: In the event that Mayflower would close due to weather it will be announced on channel 8 or 13 as well as Facebook. A blast will also be sent out via the Remind App.

We want to wish you safe and joyous holiday season! We are truly thankful and blessed that you and your child are a part of our Mayflower Family! - Robin & Sarah

Important Dates:

Gingerbread Party Weds Dec 20

Polar Express Thurs Dec 21

Holiday Break Dec 20- Jan 7

Open House Jan 10

Open Enrollment Jan 11 at 8 am

Vision/Hearing Jan 18-21

*In December, I will be
A baubled, banged Christmas tree.
With soup bowls draped all over me
'Merry once, merry twice
Merry chicken soup with rice!
By Maurice Sendak*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Eli V. December 24th

