

December 01, 2011

Dear Bear Parents,

November (along with Thanksgiving) is already gone! Where does the time go?

We have four birthdays to look forward to in December:

Ian's birthday is the 3<sup>rd</sup>

Amanda's is on the 17<sup>th</sup>

Dalane's is on the 19<sup>th</sup>

"Teacher" Kylee's is on the 29<sup>th</sup>

and let's not forget Christmas is sneaking up fast too! That reminds us that holiday time is a good time to give thanks for good health, family, and friends! So... on that note, we came up with the idea to donate to our local food pantry and give to the less fortunate this holiday season. We are asking if you'd like to bring a canned item, or non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. (this is voluntary) We will then take our gift box to them before Christmas! This is a great learning experience for the children... and us too! ☺ Thank you. (PS: this would include cash, toilet paper, soaps, etc. etc.)

Please remember that the weather is different every day, and that the children need warmer coats, snowpants and boots (soon), and mittens or gloves. Please, please label each item as we have had some confusion in the past... especially when some items are identical to our friends.

A big thank you for conferencing with us! If you have any questions concerning your child, please feel free to ask, or visit with us any time!

A little reminder to those of you who have borrowed Bear's extra clothes, that we'd like you to bring them back. Unfortunately we are very short on girl's clothing. (such as panties, socks and shoes) If you should have any extras that your child has outgrown, it'd be wonderful if you'd like to donate them to our room!

Your children will now be focusing on winter activities in the classroom along with continuing to practice writing our names, ABC's, colors and shapes, outdoor time every day if possible and of course, free choice! (and the list goes on ☺)

Sunflower will be closed Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> and Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> as holidays.

Below we have included a song we will be singing with your child:

I'm a little snowman, short and fat... Here is my broomstick... here is my hat... when the sun comes out that's when I melt... drip, drip, drip, "whoops", I'm a puddle! (that way if you wonder what they're singing, you can sing along with them... )

Another reminder is to watch for more information on Sunflower's V.I.P. breakfast on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> !!

Happy Holidays and thank you to all!

Dalane, Darla, and Heather

