

# November / December 2023

## Newsletter

Thank you to all who participated in the popcorn fundraiser. We will use the profits to have special activities at Small Wonders for your children, as well as needed supplies. We truly appreciate your support!

The holidays are approaching and we are planning safe ways to celebrate with your children. During the week of Christmas, we will have "Theme" days.

During the week of Thanksgiving, the children will make a holiday project every day to take home.

#### Special Happenings in December!

We will be very busy with the children in December.

On Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, we will present a Christmas Concert at 11:30AM. We will have an early dismissal on this day for all children immediately following the concert. Children who do not regularly attend Small Wonders on Fridays are welcomed to come and perform in the concert. We will need all children at the center by 11:00AM prior to the event. Due to space, seating is limited, you may have to stand. Please dress your child in red and green or both. Parking is tight, so please park in the grass rather than the street.

During the Christmas week, we will have the following themed days:

- Monday December 18<sup>th</sup> Make an ornament day
- Tuesday December 19th Ugly Sweater / Christmas Shirt Day
- Wednesday December 20th Green Day / Grinch Day
- Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup>– To celebrate the first day of winter, wear blue, white, or silver
- Friday December 22<sup>nd</sup> Pajama Day, along with our Christmas Party.

Our Christmas Party will be celebrated with a special snack (TBA) and exchanging of cards and gifts. All children will need to bring in a Christmas gift to exchange with a boy or girl in his/her group. Boys should bring in a gift that says "To a Boy, From your child's name" and Girls should bring in a gift that says "To a Girl, From your child's name." The maximum price should not exceed \$10.00. If you do not bring in a gift, then your child will not receive one.

Children will also exchange Christmas Cards. Card lists for your child's group will be sent home. When the cards are ready, please bring them in so your child's teacher can put them in his / her mailbox or bag.

Small Wonders will also have a "Special Visitor" to give each child one more opportunity to have his/her wishes heard.

#### Reminders of Days the Small Wonders is Closed

- Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day
- Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 12PM Closing, no lunch served
- Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> Day after Thanksgiving
- Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> Closing immediately following Christmas Concert (approx. 12:00PM)
- Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> 12PM Closing, no lunch served
- Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup> Closed
- During school vacation week, Small Wonders will have reduced operating hours due to low enrollment. We will be opened from 8AM – 4:30PM on Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> Closed

Any weather-related closings or delays will be broadcasted by the Rhode Island Broadcasters Association and will also be posted on the Small Wonders Nursery & Daycare, Inc. Facebook page.

### **Special Note to Parents**

We are happy to be taking part in the school to work Internship Program with Joseph Case High School in Swansea. The child care seniors from the high school are volunteers under the supervision of Miss Marilyn, Miss Lauren, and Miss Nicole. They will be here on Wednesday or Thursday mornings from 9:15AM – 11AM. We hope they have an enjoyable learning experience. When Miss Lauren attended Joseph Case High School, she participated in this program as well.

All children at this change of season time should have appropriate changes of clothes, coats, and hats if necessary for outdoor play. We do go outside in cold weather (above 32°).

Happy Holidays to all! We are very thankful for all our families and support. Have a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year to all!

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