



# Penny Lane Newsletter



## PROGRAM UPDATE

The new school year has begun! Children have transitioned well into classrooms! Families should have received a welcome folder with forms that need to be updated annually. If you have not returned these, please do so as soon as possible.

In October, our west center will host a Halloween carnival. Our goal for this carnival is to raise funds to purchase new materials for upcoming Paths To Quality visits. With that, we are able to maintain our level 4 rating to serve our community and families with quality care and education.

## HELLO WINTER

Winter is finally upon us and the weather is changing. As long as temperatures are above 32°, children will be offered outdoor daily play. Weather appropriate clothing is highly recommended. Parents can leave items in cubby for your child to use as needed.



## PARENT REMINDERS

- ✓ Check cubbies for any personal items to take home. Please ensure you are limiting these items.
- ✓ Wash cubby items weekly.
- ✓ Ensure your child has extra clothes and a water bottle to keep at school, it is required to label these items.
- ✓ Outside food and drinks are not permitted unless is an approved dietary need.
- ✓ Please communicate with teachers weekly and ensure you are signing weekly sheets.
- ✓ If your child will be absent or arriving after 10:30am, it is important to notify their teacher via Bloomz App.
- ✓ Please follow the sick policy guidelines to ensure our center stays safe and healthy.
- ✓ It is imperative to keep important documents updated including physical and immunizations, contact information, feeding plans, etc.



# LETS TALK!

In the fall and spring, all children are screened through Ages and Stages Questionnaire. These ASQ screenings are divided up into 4 categories including physical, communication, fine/gross motor, and social-emotional. These questionnaires help teachers understand a child's strengths as well as areas that may need more support. Upon completion, parents are asked to sign a "parent acknowledgment form", please ensure you do so.

Child assessments will be completed during the month of December. These progress reports are completed to asses a child's performance, goals, and how they respond in the classroom.

Parent-teacher conferences are always available during screenings or assessments . Please ask your child's teacher to set this up.

## IMPORTANT DATES

*Please notify your child's teacher regarding attendance for the holidays!*

- ✓ Labor Day  
(September 9th)
  - **CLOSED**
- ✓ ASQ
  - 10/2/23-10/13/23
- ✓ Picture day
  - October 24th
- ✓ Halloween Carnival
  - October 28th
- ✓ Thanksgiving  
(November 23rd)
  - **CLOSED**
- ✓ Black Friday  
(November 24th)
  - **CLOSED**
- ✓ Progress assessment
  - 12/11/23-12/22/23
- ✓ Christmas  
(December 25th)
  - **CLOSED**
- ✓ New Years Day  
(January 1st)
  - **CLOSED**

## READ

Scholastic book orders are up and running, catalogs may have been placed in your child's cubby. If you did not receive a catalog and would like one, these are located at the front desk next to the clock in/clock out computer. Informtion regarding ordering can be found on the back of the form.