

# January Newsletter

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## Emergency & Snow Closure Protocol

With the snow and bad weather these last few weeks, I thought it only appropriate to review our emergency and snow closure protocol. We realize that many of our parents do not have children attending one of the local elementary schools, and so we try very hard not to close or open late even when the school districts are on delay. Smart-E-Pants will try and close only in the event of freezing rain. This may mean opening late, closing early, or not opening at all, depending on the weather severity. We will contact parents by phone as soon as possible in the event that we need to close or will be on a delay. In the event

that we lose power, parents will be contacted via a staff cell phone. Parents are responsible for picking up their child as quickly as possible. Smart-E-Pants is equipped with flashlights, plackets and other supplies in the event the power is lost.

We are trying very hard to keep the driveway and parking areas clear. Please use extreme caution when walking to and from the building, as it can be very slippery.

Please send snow pants, water resistant gloves, hats, and snow boots with your



Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

child. We still like to send the kids outside for short amounts of time, and these items are extremely helpful. And please, make sure that these items are labeled!

Please feel free to contact Amber if you have questions regarding Smart-E-Pants cancellations or delays: 386-7173 home, 490-1194 cell, or Ms. Veronica at 490-2014.

## Curriculum Highlights

Language Arts: Introduction of multi-letter phonograms, single letter phonogram review, and sentences. Finishing up of line letters, syllables, beginning word sounds.

Math and Spanish: shape is the Diamond, color is blue, number recognition, complex patterns, graphing, sorting

Mother Goose Time: Dinosaur Dig

**No School  
Monday,  
January 18th  
Martin Luther  
King Day**

### Special points of interest:

- Thanks you to everyone who gave to Kiva. We raised just over \$50 dollars, plus, the SEP match of \$50, brings our total to \$100. More information will be posted regarding the recipient of our loan in the next newsletter.
- Thanks to all the parents who helped us drive to our Christmas caroling at Hawk's Ridge and Down Manor. The kids did a great job and we couldn't have done it without your help.
- We have a couple of kids who are going to be taking vacation in January and February. If you are interested in picking up any extra days, please let Amber know. Daily drop in rate is \$37 per day. Unfortunately, days can not be swapped out.
- There will not be any field trips for the month of January.
- Feature children: Coby Kaplan, Abby Kelly, and Finn Mikkelsen
- Happy Birthday to Ms. Alicia, whose birthday was on the 1st, and Tagert Bardin who will be 5 on the 25th.
- The staff would like to say "Thank You" for all the wonderful goodies we received. We loved them all...from the gift certificates to the candles! Thank You!