



Dear PVNS Families...

November was a month filled with fun activities and horrible weather and it all went by so quickly! It started with Picture Day, and then Veteran's Day, Fall Family Fun Day, Thanksgiving Recess and Picture "Make-Up Day." If you thought November flew by, wait until December ...

December begins with our "Breakfast with Santa." This is our second year of this event. It was so warm and fun last year and we want it to be great again this year. There will be a simple breakfast, a fun craft, and Santa, of course.

Our Annual Holiday Sing-a-Long will be spread-out over 3 days at the end of December, to ease parking issues. I can't wait to hear our students practicing with Miss Amy. The sounds of singing from the Music Room always make my day bright.

Teachers are planning Gingerbread Houses and Tree decorating with families in December. There will be so much festive fun in our school. For more information about our school and events, please visit penfieldvillage.org!

Have a wonderful December,

Barb Cattalani



DECEMBER CALENDAR

December 1st-Monthly Tuition Due

December 8th - Breakfast with Santa (8:30-10:30)
*Please check your seating time!

December 18th-PVNS Holiday Sing-a-Long 10:45

9:15 3s (Colicchio/Stocker)

9:30 3s (DeSario/Johnston)

5 Day 4s (McMillan/Hays)

Kinder- (Gibbons/Brugger)

December 19th- PVNS Holiday Sing-a-Long 10:45

3 Day 3s (Colicchio/Stocker/Kirchhoff)

3 Day 4s (9:00) (Lampe/Ardilio)

3 Day 4s (9:30) (DeSario/ Johnston)

M/W 2s (Dall, Schuler, McKenzie)

December 20th-PVNS Holiday Sing-a-Long 10:45

4 Day 4s (Smits/Roth)

9:00 3s (Lampe/Ardilio)

T/Th 2s (Dall, Schuler, McKenzie)

Kinder- (Glorioso/Spector)

December 24th- January 1st- No School (Holiday Break)

**** Our School Office will close by 12:00pm on the following dates:**

December 14th, 20th, 21st

January 2nd- School back in session!



Sock Drive for The Center for Youth



Once again, this year, PVNS is collecting socks for “The Center for Youth.” Any socks donated can go right in your child’s backpack and teachers will bring them to the office. All sizes are appreciated but there is a special need for sizes big enough to fit teenagers.

Cold Weather Reminders

*We take our students outside unless the wind chill is 20 degrees or less, our playground is icy, it is raining or during extreme wind. All of this weather happens in Rochester, during the winter. Please make sure they have warm jackets, mittens (**please no gloves**) and hats and boots when needed as well as snow pants when there is snow on our playground.

*Students always need help from teachers getting ready for outside, but should be learning some of these “dressing self” skills at home.

*If your child has a runny nose, cough, etc. and should not be outside in cold weather, they should remain at home until they are well enough to go outside.

*Please label EVERYTHING! Our Lost and Found collection grows large when cold weather sets in!



In our 3-Year-Old Preschool Program we ask that families are “actively” working toward toilet training their children. At this point in the year, where accidents may still occur, most of our 3s are mastering that developmental milestone. If you have not yet begun to work with your child on this at home, the time has come! Here is some helpful information from Parents Magazine to assist you in getting started:

- Encourage imitation. When you sit on the toilet, allow your child to sit on the potty chair beside you.
- Boys should learn to urinate sitting first, because if they stand first, they may not want to sit to have a bowel movement.
- Start a routine with regular reminders beginning with one time a day—after breakfast or maybe at bath time when your child is already undressed.
- Watch for behavior, grimaces, or poses that may signal the need for a bowel movement, and ask your child if he or she needs to go.
- Praise your child whenever he or she tells you that he/she needs to go and when your child tells you without being reminded.
- Let your child flush if he or she wants to. Because some children do not like the sound of the toilet or are afraid of the toilet, be sure to determine whether your child is scared. Also, try to reassure your child if he or she becomes upset about the disappearance of the stool down the toilet.

