

Muchos gracias to class parents, Lisa and Patsy, for providing the cookies and cider for the Preschool Jingle Bell bash.

The refreshments were a real treat for everybody!



Preschool Newsletter
Preschool Webpage



January 4, 2007



The kids and teachers were very happy to see each other after the Winter Break!

We all appreciate being back in the familiar groove of the preschool schedule.

The kids arrived prepared for the cold weather that is soon to be upon us.

Thanks for heeding the call for snowpants. They will surely get a workout.

There are 13 birthday and half-birthday celebrations coming up in January and February.

The schedule for these celebrations is linked on the preschool webpage.

To avoid disappointment, please check the link to see if your child's full or half birthday is coming up in January or February.



Spanish Corner

El Invierno, Nuria Roca

New vocabulary:

- hace frio / it's cold
- la nieve / the snow
- bolas de nieve / snowballs
- chaqueta / jacket
- mitones / mittens
- gorro / hat



IMPORTANT DATES

January 5
Friday
First Friday @ FSH
8:30 a.m.

January 9
Tuesday
PTO Meeting
8:15am

January 10
Wednesday
SNACK SALAD

January 12
Friday In-Service Day
PUPIL HOLIDAY

January 15
Monday
Martin Luther King Day
SCHOOL HOLIDAY

January 16
Tuesday
Parent/Teacher
Conferences PS & PK
PUPIL HOLIDAY

February 13
Tuesday
PTO Meeting
7:00pm

February 14
Wednesday
Valentine's Day

The January
Parent/Teacher
Conference
Schedule is posted on the
webpage.

Check there for the time of
your conference.

Integrated curriculum: Music, Fine Motor, Visual Arts (color and color blending), Science (light and shadow)

Red and yellow and pink and green, purple and orange and blue...
I can sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow, too.

Listen to your heart, listen to your heart
And sing everything you feel
I can sing a rainbow
Sing a rainbow
Sing a rainbow, too...



If flashes of “Captain Noah” are appearing
before your eyes, you were
undoubtedly born and raised in the
Philadelphia area.
([CLICK HERE](#) for lyrics and melody
at the bottom of the linked page)



For Wednesday, January 10

We are not a melting pot, but more like a tossed salad...

In honor of our diversity, the children will be making a tossed "snack salad". Each child is invited to bring one cupful of dry snack to school, Wednesday, January 10.

Please, be guided by the following examples:

cereal, granola, raisins, dried fruit chips, popcorn, cheese doodles, mini-crackers, wasabi peas, mini-pretzels, yogurt raisins, Pirates' Booty, vegetable chips, etc.

NO NUTS, PLEASE.

The children's contributions will be tossed together in a large bowl to create a "one-of-a-kind" snack salad!



A note from Mrs. Thompson

During the break, the strangest thing happened at my house. I had just filled the washing machine with the children's resting towels and some soap for a well-deserved cleaning. As usual, I closed the top of the washer and walked away to make my lunch.

Minutes later, as I was eating my sandwich, I was sure that I heard the sound of children's laughter! Tracking the sound, I returned to the laundry room. It was *almost* unbelievable! The unmistakable sounds of a raucous bubble bath were definitely coming from the washer! When I opened the top of the washer, the noise suddenly stopped as if it had never happened.

It must have been my imagination.

I stuffed the clean towels into the dryer where the same amazing phenomenon occurred!

Back at school this week, the children were amazed and quite tickled to hear of their partying towels.

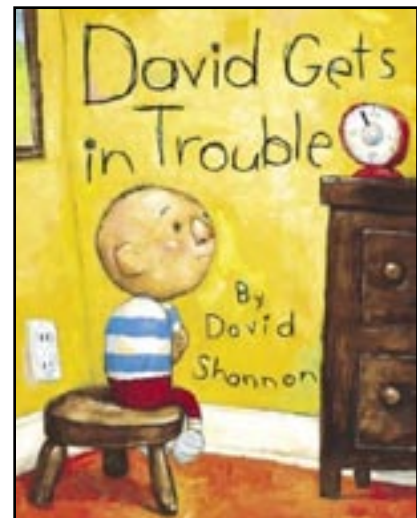
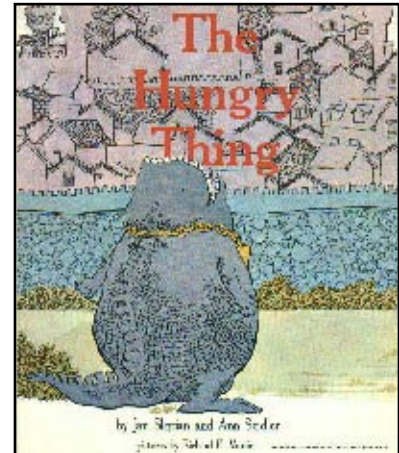
That's my story and I'm sticking with it!



Books we have recently read include:

The Hungry Thing, Susan Meyers

David Gets in Trouble, David Shannon



Request concerning Parent/Teacher Conferences:

Please come prepared to set up a time for your parent visit to preschool. We will be looking at the months of March, April and May. In general, these visits are from 8:15am to roughly 10:00am. Longer visits can be tiring for a young child.

Parents are free to bring in an interesting item, a pet, a baby, a project, a collection, a favorite book or snack. Some may simply want to "hang out" in the classroom and see the class in action.