

**Sudbury Extended Day
Kindergarten Newsletter ~ December 2016**

Our Monthly Themes

This month our themes are Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes.

Through this unit the children will learn skills such as:

- *Story-telling
- *Identify and re-tell/sing several fairy tales and nursery rhymes
 - *Enhance rhyming skills
- *Learn about characters, setting, problems and solutions within a story plot
 - *Compare different versions of the same story

Fun play downstairs...

The Housekeeping Area has been transformed into a Puppet Theater. This will help enhance our Fairy Tale and Nursery Rhyme Unit. Also, the Pumpnickel Puppet Show really inspired the children to want to pursue ~ "Puppeteering" here at SED!

Different Cultures...

We share different celebrations during this time of month via books, pictures and appropriate crafts.

Children like to share what they celebrate during this month. This sharing/knowledge allows the children to gain a better understanding of different cultures and beliefs. We highlight the celebrations of Hanukkah and Christmas. If you celebrate something we have not mentioned, please let us know! We would love to have you come into the classroom and share with our students!

Early Release ~ December 14th

Polar Express Day

We will present a day filled with special activities and events revolving around the movie, The Polar Express. The wearing of pajamas is welcome!

Shutterfly

We hope that you are enjoying the precious photos of your child/children on this online photo site. If you have not viewed the photos yet ~ please consider signing up for Shutterfly for free so that you may view more photos as we post them. Friendly reminder: Please do not share your password with anyone.

Also, if you want to print out/purchase a photo that also showcases other students, please let us know and we will ask the appropriate parents.

Taking photos in the classroom

You of course may take photos of your own child ~ but other students may not be included in the photos unless we have permission from their parents ~Thanks!

Cold/Snow Weather Play

Unless it is inclement weather ~ the children go outside everyday. Please be sure that your child/children have snow pants, boots, gloves and hats. Be sure to label everything with your child/children's name.

Reminders:

- *Check your mailbox everyday

*Please read the lobby whiteboard

Donations:

*The front part of holiday cards

*Envelopes and note paper you are looking to get rid of...

*Newspapers (We use a lot of them to put on our tables during art projects.)

*Plastic bags from the grocery store

**We hope that you have a wonderful holiday season! We wish your family and you the best for the
New Year!**