

December Newsletter



Happy December!

This month is a busy month at preschool! Many of our preschoolers will be learning about traditions around the world! Other preschoolers are learning about fun & familiar Fairy Tales like the Gingerbread Man.

Learning about different cultural aspects offers new experiences for children. It also helps them realize that we're all humans, despite differences in how we look or dress, or what we eat or celebrate.

Children's literature helps a young child make sense of what it is to be human and helps them understand the world around them. Fairy tales teach children how to deal with basic human conflicts, desires, and relationships in a healthy way; acquiring these skills can ultimately impact a child's health, quality of life, or even influence its values and beliefs in the future.

Leilani VisikoKnox-Johnson, "The Positive Impacts of Fairy Tales for Children"

Important Dates

Dec 5: T-shirt Tuesday

Dec 5: Final Soccer Shots Fall session

Dec 7: MAK cookies & cocoa

Dec 13: Final MAK Fall session

Dec 18-Jan 2: Winter break—NO SCHOOL

Dec 18-20: SOS Days

Contact us

As always, if you have any concerns, questions or comments, please share them with us. You may leave us a voice mail, email or talk with us at school.

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2024-25 Registration

We are still currently accepting applications for the 2024-25 school year. Our currently enrolled children, their siblings and members of the Lake Harriet UMC have priority registration.

Applications can be completed in brightwheel and are due no later than December 31st. There is a \$50 registration fee that can be paid online.

New families who submit applications prior to January 31, 2024 will be part of our random selection process. Please ask your friends who are interested in the preschool to visit our web site www.lakeharrietumpreschool.org for more information or give us a call.

SOS Days

The December school out of session (SOS) days will be on Dec 18-20 this month.

The next SOS sign up will be in March for Spring Break in April.

Summer Planning

As you know, LHUMP will be doing construction in the education wing over the summer to prepare for new childcare options to open in Fall 2024.

Many families have expressed interest in summer camp options at LHUMP. We will be sending a summer survey over winter break to learn more about what our current families are interested in for summer programming and we will try to accommodate those needs.

We will communicate registration information in January 2024.

Winter Enrichment Classes

Last week, information was sent out for winter session enrichment class registration. If you are still interested in registering for:

- **Spanish** with Mary Hood on Mondays from 12:30-1:30pm
- **Soccer Shots** on Tuesdays from 12:30-1pm
- **MiniApple Kitchen** on Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30pm

Please contact Andrea if you need registration info.

Thank you

Thank you all for your donations to the Joyce Food Shelf last month. Joyce is always so appreciative for the extra shopping bags! Customers of the food shelf appreciate a sweet treat and a cup of soup on the go!

We always want to model generosity to our preschool children and made an impact in many people's lives. Thanks!