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From the classroom:

Room 101: Hello parents, we are so excited about this month's activities and holidays. During December, our work will be to learn our County and many of its symbols. We will also be practicing SHARING and learning the sign language for that as well. We will be listening to Tchaikovsky's music, talking about holidays, peace, Olympic sports, etc... The books we'll read are from Jan Brett and we will keep on working with Van Gogh's art. We would like to acknowledge Chiara Finto who has been talking a lot more and does her Montessori lessons very well. We would like you to send in a t-shirt to decorate with Holiday motifs and a family picture for our classroom.

- **Room 102:** For the month of December our theme is USA. We will be reading books by Jan Brett and listening to music by Tchaikovsky. The artist for the month is Jackson Pollock. We will also be working on our Christmas gifts.

Room 103:

During class this month we will be discussing holiday traditions from around the world, as well as working on our holiday gift for mom and dad. During our winter celebration we will have a book exchange. Please bring in a wrapped unisex book with the from portion filled out from your child. The winter party will take place Thursday, December 15th.

December Calendar

- **Winter Holidays: Early Dismissal**

December 16 at 12:15pm

- **Winter Holidays:**

School closed Dec. 19– Jan. 2

Early dismissal Dec. 23 at 2:00pm

Care closed Dec. 26– Jan. 2

- Jan. 3 School resumes

December Gift Giving:

If you would like to give a gift to your child's classroom, there will be a tree set-up in the office with a variety of items that can be purchased from Montessori Services. After selecting the item, please give the tag to the front office and they will place the order. When the item is delivered, the office will give it to the teacher for their classroom, along with a gift card from your child. Deadline for orders will be December 9th.

Thank you in advance for these purchases.

Classroom News

103 Continue:

Please bring in the wrapped book on or before December 10th to assure each child will get a book. Please check the class clipboard for items needed for the party. Also, your child is welcome to bring an unbreakable ornament (in case they get accidentally lost or broken.) We would love some new items for our Europe box, so if you would like to donate items to the class continent box we'd love to have them.

Room 104: This month we'll study holiday traditions around

the world. If your family has a special holiday tradition, please let me know so that we can share it at group time.

Each child is invited to send in one holiday ornament for our class tree. We will return it at the end of the month.

We will have our annual book exchange: Thursday, December 15th. Please send in one wrapped, non-gender specific children's book by Dec. 12. We will also have a holiday luncheon on December 15. A sign up sheet will be available in the front office next week.

Room 105:

December is an exciting month for our class. We will research holiday traditions including Kwanza, Hanukah, and those of India, Germany, Mexico, and more. Students may bring pictures, books, recipes, etc.. to share. Our December field trip will be to see The Humphries School of Music production of Scrooge on Friday, Dec. 2. Our Winter celebration will be Thursday, Dec. 15. please prepare one of your family's favorite dishes to share. We will draw names for our gift exchange. Please help your child choose an appropriate gift (\$15.00 max) for the friend whose name they have drawn. Thank you!



December Birthdays

101:

12/14 Halvor Olson

102:

12/2 Dylan Perkins

103:

12/7 Merle Ohlenkamp

104:

12/19 Naresh Kapadia

105:

12/23 Luke Sanders

12/28 Victoria Schweizer

Staff:

12/1 Ms. Claudia

Theme: USA
Author: Jan Brett
Artist: Jackson Pollock
Composer: Tchaikovsky
Continent: Europe
Virtue: Sharing
Sign Language: Colors
Peacemaker: Gandhi
Misc.: Holidays of the World, Kwanza, Olympics

News

Register for Holiday Care

- School will be closed December 19– January 2, 2012.
- Care will be open until December 23 at 2:00pm.
- Please register with the front office no later than Friday, December 9th.

There is no additional charge for full day students, daily tuition rates will be charged to extended day students. Please let the front office know if your child will need to be registered for care regardless of which program they are in.

Wishing all a Happy Holidays!!!

Food Drive

We are still collecting for our canned food drive through the end of December. If everyone could bring in just one item, it would go a long way for a needy family. Thank you



Holiday Party

Holidays are always a busy and exciting time of year for all of us. With all the festivities, decorations, music and food. When bring in food and treats for the Winter luncheon on Thursday, December 15th please remember our school nutrition policy. There are many other ways of creating holiday snacks with nutritious foods. Please check your child's classroom clipboard for needed party supplies.

Cooler Weather

With the cooler weather finally upon us, please remember to replace the clothes in your children's box with warmer clothing. Please label all sweaters and jackets with your child's name on them. We go outside

everyday that weather permits, so if it is chilly out, your child may need a jacket or sweater. Please remember to label your child's extra clothing so we maybe able to return to the correct child.

South Shore Montessori Anniversary

Thursday, December 1 is
our 25th Anniversary.



THANK YOU
to everyone who
came to the Art Show.
We had a wonderful
time
creating and showing
your child's
masterpieces!

Fingerprint Machine

The check –in and check-out
machine is for parents only.
Please, don't allow your children
to touch the screen. It is a very
sensitive computer and we want
to keep it working properly.
Please remember our
School Policies.
Thank you

RANDALLS # 740

Thank you to everyone that
has the Remarkable Ran-
dall's card linked to
South Shore Montessori
(#7403).

Thanks again for remember-
ing us when you shop.

Box Tops

**We still need a volun-
teer to take care of the
box tops we collect
every month. This is a
fun and easy way to
raise money for the
school. Every box top
is worth .10 so keep
bring them in. To see
more ways to earn
cash for our school, go
to**

www.btfe.com/earn

**Please let the
office know if you are**



Thank you to Mrs. Losh and Mrs. Atkinson
who have been picking up our recycle paper.

Thank you to Mrs. Olade who brings in paper
for the school to use.