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WCCP January Newsletter...

2012



**A HAPPY
NEW YEAR**





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Don't Forget,

1. to sign in and out each school day.
2. to check the board and your file.
3. to sign up for field trips.
4. to keep track of dates for when you are the working in the classroom, scheduled for maintenance and meeting dates.
5. to call and let the Teacher know when your Child is not attend school.

PLEASE PASS ALONG ALL INFORMATION AND DATES TO FAMILY MEMBERS/CAREGIVERS WHO ARE INVOLVED WITH WCCP.

If you need to reach me during non-school hours. You can email me at DTag@aol.com . Please put WCCP in the heading.



January 19 we will travel to the Marquis theater in Northville to see a live children's production of Beauty and the Beast. Please remember to sign up and please arrive by 10:10.

We will celebrate Curious George the week of 1-23. On 1-26 (3 year) and 1-27 (4 year) may wear their PJ's .

February 10 we will be going to the Michigan Academy of Gymanasts. Please watch the board for a sign up sheet. The trip starts at 10 am.



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Curious about Curious George

Curious George was created by Hans and Margret Rey.

George first appeared in a book called Cecily G. and the Nine Monkeys. The Reys then decided George needed his own book. This was in the late 30's and very early 40's. The Reys were German Jews. Due to the Nazi party movement the Rey's decided they need to leave before the Nazi's took power. Hans made 2 bicycles and on June 14, 1940 the Reys set off. They brought very little with them, warm coats, a bit of food and 5 manuscripts one of which was Curious George. Four days later the Reys reached the French Spanish border where they sold their bikes for train fare to Lisbon. From there they made their way to Brazil and then to New York City where they began life as the writers of Curious George.

You can read the full story behind the Reys escape in The Journey That saved Curious George.

Curious George was published by Houghton Mifflin in 1941. Curious George and the other 7 original stories by the Reys have sold over 60 million copies. The original book has never been out of print

ROSES TO:



the **WCCP board** for putting on a wonderful school party.

WCCP Families

to **Everyone** who helped make the party a success.

WCCP Families

to the **maintenance teams and board members** who keep our school shining.

Thank you.

To **Pearl Vesperman** for always doing a great job shopping for us.

Darlene and Mary Anne

To **Theresa Stewart** for taking on the job of health Mom. Its appreciated.

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To **everyone** who helped make the class parties a success, **Thank you.**

Darlene and Mary Anne

A huge thank you to **Sarah Crane, Terri Furget and Bobby Valeri** for stepping up and covering the 4 year class.

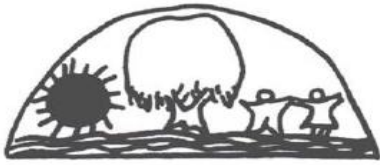
the 4 year class

A huge bouquet of roses to the **Ladies who serve on the WCCP board.** They generously give their time, energy and talents to making WCCP a great school. It is appreciated.

Staff, Parents and Children of WCCP

Mike and Daniel B (Mrs. B husband and son) for putting the new storage cabinets together.

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songs and rhymes for January Classes...



5 LITTLE PENGUINS

**5 little penguins slipping on the ice.
1 fell down, that's not nice.**

**Mama called the doctor and the doctor said
No more penguins slipping on the ice.**

Repeat 4, 3, 2, 1

**No more penguins slipping on the ice
None fell down, now that's real nice
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said
No more penguins slipping on the ice**

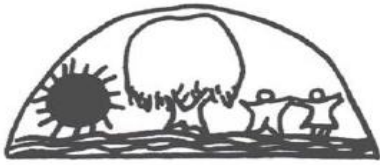


THE ITSY BITSY SNOWMAN (Itsy bitsy spider tune)

**The itsy bitsy snowman (arms in a circle)
was standing in the snow
Down came some flakes
and it made the snowman grow
Out came the sun
to shine its golden rays
Which warmed the little snowman
and melted him away.**

What a Penguin Does (my Bonnie lies over the ocean)

**Oh penguins swim in the ocean
Oh penguins slide on the ice
Oh penguins waddle when they walk
Their black and white suits look so nice.
Penguins, Penguins
Oh Penguins live in the cold, the cold.
Penguins, Penguins
Penguins live in the cold**



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3 and 4 Classes Calendar



Tuesday/Thursday 3 Year Calendar

Color: White
Letters: S

Week of 1-10-12 Theme: Winter Snowmen Letter S

1-10-12 Melted snowmen
1-12-12 Snowmen

Week of 1-17-12 Theme: Winter Color: White

1-17-12 Smashed Snowmen
1-19-12 Adventure Awareness Trip to Marquis Theater
10:10

Week of 1-24-12 Theme: Curious George

1-24-12 Curious George Puppets
1-26-12 PJ day

Week of 1-31-12 Theme: Bears

1-31-12 Color/Shape Bear

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 4 Year Calendar

Week of 1-9-12 Theme: Winter Letter: S

1-9 snow globes
1-11 The Mitten
1-13 snowmen

Week of 1-16-12 Theme: Reptiles Letter J

1-16 -12 MLK Day no school
1-18 -12 Jungle Snakes
1-19 -12 Marquis Theater Trip 10:15
1- 20-12 Turtles

Week of 1-23-12 Theme: Curious George Letter D

1- 23-12 Curious George
1- 25-12 Yellow Hat
1- 27-12 Pajama Day

Week of 1-30-12 Theme: Penguins Letter P

1-30-12 Pinecone Penguin
2-1-12 Am I taller than a Penguin?
2-3-12 Penguin puppets

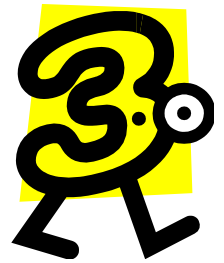
YOUR CHILD NEEDS:
a old necktie on 1-13.



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Terrific Three

Tuesday/ Thursday Class



Dear Families,

Happy New Year. The 3 year class returns from the break on 1-10-12. I will look forward to seeing you all then.

The week of 1-10-12 we will be learning about winter and the letter S. We will be creating melted snowmen, snowflakes and smashed snowmen. We will be using these activities to reinforce the letter sound of S, the circle shape, and to build those fine motor skills in a fun way.

On 1-19-12 we will be traveling to the Marquis Theater in Northville. We will be attending the children's play Beauty and the Beast. We will meet there at 10:10 and the performance starts at 10:30. The Marquis does a wonderful job of introducing children to live theater. I hope to see you all there.

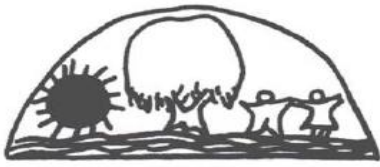
The week of 1-24-12 we will be using the theme Curious George. Over the summer I was lucky to be 1 of 25 early childhood teachers across the country to win a Curious George party package from a book publisher. I am very excited to share this with the children and I know they will enjoy it. We will finish the week off on 1-26-12 with a pajama day. Please dress your child in Pj's for the day. They will love it.

We will finish the month off with teddy bears. Your Child is welcome to bring a teddy bear to class to show their friends. We will be using the bears to learn more about colors, shapes , math concepts and to review the letter T.

January often brings bad weather to us. WCCP follows the Wayne/Westland calendar and emergency closings. If Wayne/Westland schools are closed WCCP is closed. You can check the closings on the district web site or on the morning news.

Throughout the month we will continue to work on our letter recognition skills and their sounds, math concepts, science concepts and literacy. As always if you have any questions/concerns at anytime please see me.

I wish you all a happy New Year,
Darlene



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Fantastic Four

Monday/Wednesday/Friday Class



Dear Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back. We return to school on 1-9-12. Now that winter is upon us please remember WCCP follows the Wayne/Westland school district calendar. If the district is closed due to bad weather WCCP is closed. The school districts in their efforts to keep Children safe drive the roads early in the morning to determine if the roads can be safely traveled.

We will begin our month by learning about winter and the letter S. What better way to learn about the letter S and its sound as we create snowmen and snow globes. Lots of science will be going on as we do a variety of activities involving snow and ice.

The week of 1-16-12 we will be learning about reptiles and letter J. Please send in a old neck tie as we will be making jungle snakes. The kids love them. This week we will be cooking as we make jungle reptiles too.

On 1-19-12 I have arranged a adventure awareness trip to the Marquis Theater in Northville which presents children's plays. Please sign up on the board and plan to arrive at 10:10. The play begins at 10:30. We will be seeing Beauty and the Beast. Each day in the weeks leading up to the play I will be reading part of Beauty and the Beast to the class to help familiarize them with the story. The Marquis does a wonderful job of introducing Children to live theater. I hope you will all attend.

The week of 1-23-12 we will be learning about Curious George and the letter D. Over the summer I was lucky enough to be 1 of 25 early childhood teachers to win a celebrate Curious George package from the book publisher. I think your Child will enjoy this fun special week. We will end the week with a PJ day on the 27th.

The week of 1-30-11 we will be learning about the letter P and Penguins. Your Child will learn how penguins hold their eggs. We will work on our math and measuring skills as we figure out if any of them are bigger than Emperor penguin.

As always through the month we will continue to work on our handwriting, science, literacy and math skills. If you have any questions/concerns at anytime please contact me.

Wishing you a happy New Year,
Darlene