

St. Paul Childcare Newsletter January 2023

Childcare News:

Happy New Year! This month our Bible stories and songs are centered on Jesus's early life and the start of his ministry here on earth. We've been practicing singing, "L.O.V.E", "Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam", and "Jesus Loves Me".

Sunshine and rainbow have been enjoying the beginning of this year with stories, songs, art, and activities that involve snow, hibernation, and winter. In art, sunshine enjoyed making snowy trees, 3d snowmen, and snowy art. We also learned about different vehicles in a



transportation week and what they do. We also painted with little cars and snowplows. We used cars to practice sorting colors, and finding letters and digging in sand and play snow. Rainbow has made snowy bear paintings, and snowy art. We are looking forward to painting with ice. We also enjoyed having an ice exploration sensory activity. We also watched ice melt and measured how much water came from the ice. We also used shape rulers to measure snowflake pictures, and count how tall we are on a snowman. We also practiced our counting and number recognition in a variety of games. In literacy, we've been practicing letter recognition and letter sounds with different games. We also practiced letter matching. In science, we have been learning about snow and ice! We've also been having fun playing in our winter sensory bins. We've been observing the changes in the weather and talking about the importance

of wearing our winter clothing outside to stay warm. Some favorite gross motor activities include playing in the snow, and "Don't Wake the Bear".



<u>We are going outside</u> – every day, weather permitting. Please have appropriate outdoor clothes and shoes.

<u>Hot Lunch Charges</u> –4 yrs. and under are \$2.45 and 5 yrs. and older will be \$2.75. All lunches will be \$2.75 beginning 3/3/24.

Rate Changes: beginning 3/3/24:

3 and under: \$56.16/day,3 yr. \$54/day; 4 yrs. \$51.81/day; 5 and older: \$49.68. \$10.80/hr

<u>End of Year Statements</u> - Everyone needs to set up their account on <u>www.myprocare.com</u>. You will be able to print statements from there. Your end of year statement can be found here.

<u>Credit Card Payments</u> – In an effort to help us keep costs down, please try to limit the number of payments you make. Every time the card is swiped, there is a fee. Thank you for making prompt payments in advance of care.

<u>Payment Policy</u> As stated in the handbook, all payments for childcare must be made in advance. There is a \$5.00 per day late fee for any account that has not been paid in advance and children can no longer attend if there is not money in the account to cover the upcoming week.

Email: littlelearners@stpaulslinger.org
Mrs. Meissner or Mrs. B. will reply back to you so that you know that they have received the email. If you don't receive a reply, they probably haven't gotten the message yet.

Phone: 262-644-8295 ext. 1 for Mrs. Meissner. Call the childcare at ext. 5 to make schedule changes. The emergency phone (which is only used during a power outage) number is 262-323-2006.

Website: www.stpaulslinger.org.