

January 2018 Newsletter
Developmental Foundations
M-T-W AM Class

Dear Families,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope your Christmas break was healthy and filled with family time.

As we begin the month of January the children will be working on their fine motor skills, visual discrimination activities and small manipulative games to encourage a tripod grasp.

*** Please note that shape review and name printing samples may be retained to track your child's progress. Results will be shared at conference time.**

Show-n-Tell on Tuesday, January 9th:

The topic is your "favorite Christmas gift." Please make sure the item can fit in a backpack or a regular bag. The children are becoming very successful with Show-n-Tell. It allows friends to listen and attend to one another. Show-n-Tell also permits our children the opportunity to further develop their language skills in a group setting.

No School: Monday, January 15th
Friday, January 26th

Our Annual Auction is coming up in February.

Please plan to attend. MEEC relies on the success of our fundraisers to help keep tuition affordable and to maintain a low student / teacher ratio that benefits all of our children. We have a great time. Hope to see you there.

Week of January 3:

Shaking in the New Year!

Week of January 8:

Snowman cut and glue activity using the #1-10

Show-n-Tell

Letter A-M cut/glue activity

Week of January 15:

Scissor practice

Color, trace and draw a shape

Week of January 22:

First names

Coloring practice

"Draw a Person"

Week of January 29:

Marble painting mittens

Visual tracking mitten activity

Making our bags for Valentine's Day!

We will be working on coat skills this month. Some children succeed using the "flip" method. We also will be encouraging the children to retrieve their own clothing and ask for help if it is needed. For those children who have difficulty zipping, we will engage the zipper and require them to pull it up. If your child cannot locate the "pull" on the zipper attaching a "chunky" item (e.g. plastic character type toy) sometimes sets them up for success.

If you have questions related to printing, cutting and/or dressing please ask one of the teachers.

Stay Warm, Ms. Bonnie, Ms. Lynn F. and Ms. Danelle