

# Edgewater News

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#### **NEW YEAR**

Welcome to the New Year, 2025! We are looking forward to a great year with you and your children. We want to wish all our families a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year!

Thank you for all the cards and gifts you have given us! It feels so good to be loved and appreciated!

## **BOOK EXCHANGE**

The book exchange went well! The children seemed excited to show their books to one another after the exchange!



## **JANUARY CURRICULUM**

This month we will be discussing the Human Body, How We Grow, and Foods that Help Us Grow. We will also discuss what makes us the same and how we are different.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

#### **School Closing Early**

School will be closing at 4:00pm on Wednesday, January 8th for staff development. Please allow ample time prior to 4:00pm for parking and to take care of yours and your child's personal needs, gathering of personal items, etc.

#### MLK Jr. Day

School will be <u>CLOSED</u> on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.



#### **Scholastic Book Orders**

Scholastic books can be ordered online all year long to boost your kid's reading fandom and maybe even create moments of quality time you can share together! https://orders.scholastic.com/GZX8D

# <u>Pixie Parent-Teacher</u> Conferences

Optional Pixie's parent/teacher in person or phone conferences will be available **Wednesday**, **January 22<sup>nd</sup>**. If interested, we would like to give you the opportunity to schedule a conference with your child's teacher to discuss your child's development.

If interested, please email the school by Tuesday, January 7th to schedule a conference time and receive the conference conversation form to complete and return a week before your conference date.

#### **REMINDERS**

\*Pick up hours should be used for a quick check in with your child's teacher and to gather your child's belongings. Per DSS requirements, parents or guardians who would like to stay for a long period of time or who would like to engage with other children in our program, must see the office for volunteer requirements and must have their immunizations on record.

\*Children go outside each day. Please, send your child with weather appropriate clothes. Borrowed jackets and clothes must be washed and returned promptly. It is important that your child's name is written on all jackets, sweaters, and sweatshirts brought to school. If you would like to take your child's belongings home, you may check their cubby box during pick up hours.

#### LOOKING INTO FEBRUARY

- \* Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>- School Closes @ 4pm for Staff Development
- \* Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> - Parent Appreciation Days
- \* February 14th Kids' Night Out!
- \* Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> School Closed in observance of President's Day

## **PROGRAM HOURS**

We are governed by the Department of Social Services (DSS), and we are required to follow strict guidelines regarding ratio. We staff teachers according to our enrollment to meet these ratios.

Core program starts at 8:30am and ends at 3:00pm. Children may not arrive before or stay after their programs' scheduled times without prior arrangement with the office. Extra hours are available upon request and based on availability. Please see office staff for more information and the Family Handbook for fees related to late pickups or early drop-offs.

In addition, we ask that you create a routine for your children. This includes getting children up, feeding them a nutritious breakfast, and getting to school by 9:00am. The children transition from the yard to the classroom at 9:00am. Once arriving in the classroom, children wash their hands for snack, which is served promptly after. To make the transition smoother for your child, please avoid dropping them off during the 9:00am transition time. Arriving a little earlier will help ensure that teachers have the opportunity to greet and settle your child in. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!