



Tote Notes

From Our Little Corner of Glenview at St. David's Nursery School
December, 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER...

- Dec. 25 - Jan. 5.....Winter Break
- January 8.....Classes Resume (**Monday**)
- Dec.8 - Jan. 10.....Registration 2024-2025
- Jan. 9.....Open House Tours for new families-(9:15-11:15)
- Jan. 9.....Evening tours for new families (6:00-7:00)
- Jan. 12.....Classes formed and families notified
- Jan. 15.....M.L.K. Birthday (**No School**)
- Jan. 26.....Enrollment deposits due

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK...

December is such a busy time of year with getting ready for registration and the upcoming holidays. The atmosphere at school has been very festive, with classrooms and children buzzing with activity. Making gifts, sharing stories and songs, creating darling decorations, and the sound of jingle bells have filled the air! Everyone is getting into the holiday spirit!

I am always grateful for our thoughtful and generous community. Especially at this time of year. Thank you to all who donated to our partnership with the Northfield Food Pantry. Thank you to all the families who have taken a St. David's sign to display proudly. This helps us to spread the good word about our school and I appreciate your support. Thank you to those who make donations of supplies to the school. We go through a lot of paper towels, hand soap and Kleenex during these winter months! Thank you for all you do!

Winter break is fast approaching. We will be off from school for two weeks. (December 25 through January 5) We will be resuming on Monday, January 8, 2024. The new session of Lunch Bunch and Enrichment classes will begin that week. If you haven't registered yet, there are still open spots in some classes. Also, please remember that our registration for the 2024-2025 school year is posted to our website. All forms are due by January 10.

As always, I wish you and yours a very happy holiday. Have a safe and happy winter break!

Wishing you joy and peace,

Debbie Keller, Director



NOTE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

As the holidays near, I am always reminded of how thankful I am to be at St. David's Nursery School. We have a wonderful community filled with caring parents and teachers, and it really shows!

The board would like to thank everyone for all of the support our community has offered so far this year. From our Lou Malnati's & Chipotle nights to our car wash and our first Parent's Night Out, we thank everyone who showed up to support SDNS! We are finishing out our year by teaming up with the Northfield Food Pantry and giving back to those in our community. A box will be on the front porch through Friday, December 15th. Please feel free to bring non-perishable items to leave in the box.



Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is underway. Please take a minute to re-view, follow, and like St. David's Nursery School on social media. Your positive personal experiences are our best promotion tool! Please encourage neighbors, friends, and family members to see what St. David's is all about. St. David's is truly the BEST place to be!

Thank you to Sarah Pereira for our December bulletin board! As we deck the halls in holiday spirit, please remember St. David's LOVES to display holiday cards from families past and present so please feel free to send one our way!

Finally, a very gracious thank you to all who contributed to the teacher and staff holiday fund. These ladies are truly THE BEST and are so deserving of the recognition and gifts this holiday season.

Wishing you and your loved ones continued health and happiness this holiday season!



Jackie Thompson, Board President

REGISTRATION NEWS FOR 2024-2025

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is underway...new registration information has been posted to the school website, www.stdavidspreschool.com and an email with a link to the digital registration form was sent to you this week. If you have any friends or neighbors who would like to receive registration information please point them to our website or contact me to answer any questions. All registration forms are due by January 10, 2024. We will form classes on January 12, with current families and siblings being placed first. Open spots will then be filled by new registrants. Please be sure to have your application in, along with the \$75.00 application fee before January 10. Once you have been notified about your child's placement for next year (via email) the enrollment deposit (see Tuition Schedule) will be due by January 26, 2024.



YOU are our most effective means of advertising for St. David's, for no one sells the good news about our special school like you do! Please share with your friends and neighbors who have little ones, the benefits of a St. David's education! We will be hosting an open house on Tuesday, January 9 from 9:15-11:15 for anyone interested in touring the school and seeing the classrooms in action. We will also host tours in the evening from 6-7 pm that evening. If you know anyone who may have questions about our program, please tell them to give me a call at 847-724-7841. Thank you! Debbie

NOTES FROM THE BOARD

Thank You...Thank You...Thank You...Thank You...Thank You...Thank You...

Thank you to Mrs. Koek and Mrs. Wiesman's Four Year old Class for the fun gingerbread people that adorned our front windows in December.

Thank you to Sarah Pereira for the welcoming entryway Bulletin Board.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Thank you to all the families who have been ordering books through Scholastic this year. With every order St. David's earns points that help us purchase books for our school library and share with your children. You can order anytime by going to www.Scholastic.com/bookclubs. Find our school name and place your order. Books will be delivered to school at the end of each month or can be sent directly to your home with a shipping charge. If you have any questions please contact Debbie Keller.

YARD SIGNS

Yard signs have been distributed. We appreciate all St. David's families who volunteer to place a sign in your front yard to help us spread the word about our upcoming registration period. Personal and positive testimonials are the greatest way for us to publicize St. David's in the community. Yard signs provide a visual connection that helps to promote the school to your friends and neighbors. We appreciate your help getting the word out about our special school. The registration "season" has begun, with classes for next year forming in January. Please keep the sign in a high visibility location in your yard from now until the spring. They can be returned in March for use next year. Thank you for supporting our publicity efforts

HELPFUL ITEMS

- *Wet Ones antibacterial wipes
- *Clean Smart Disinfecting Spray
- *Paper Towels
- *Metod Gel Hand Soap refills
- *Kleenex



YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE

The cold weather is coming. Your children will need to be wearing snow pants and boots for warmth. **Please make sure everything is labeled with your child's name!!** We believe that fresh air even for a short amount of time is beneficial to the children and will try to be outside every day if possible. 4 day and 5 day classes will play outside at the beginning of the day. If it is too wet or frigid we will play in our indoor basement playroom. Teachers will let you know if there is a weather related change to the schedule, **but the general rule of thumb is wear all appropriate outdoor attire everyday!**

Three Year Old Classes...

Your child should arrive at school with boots and snow pants **in their backpacks**. Three year olds outdoor play is at the end of the school session. **Rule of thumb...send all appropriate outdoor attire everyday!**

2+ and Turning 3 classes...

Your child will utilize the basement playroom during the winter months.

Although they should always be dressed for warmth to enter and leave the building (coats, hats, mittens). **Rule of thumb...Snow pants and boots are not necessary.** If you choose to wear boots to and from school please remember to send shoes to change into. Tie/Velcro shoes are best. Please avoid Crocs or slip on shoes for safety reasons.



Save the Date for our annual Midwinters Fundraising Event. The Board committee has been hard at work to plan a fun and eventful evening for all of us to come together to support our wonderful school. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we encourage all to attend.

St. David's Nursery School is dependent on a successful Midwinters event to help support the financial needs and operating budget that cannot be covered by tuition alone. We hope you will mark your calendars to participate, by attending, donating or bidding on auction items or hosting a sign up party. Stay tuned for more information after the holidays.

2024!



SAVE THE DATE!

ST. DAVID'S MIDWINTERS BENEFIT

A GROOVY GALA CELEBRATING 70 YEARS

MARCH

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AT 7 PM

NORTH SHORE COUNTRY CLUB

SILENT AUCTION, BAND, OPEN BAR & HEAVY APPS

70S THEMED ATTIRE ENCOURAGED





Have a joyful Winter Break!

And a Happy New Year!