



TOTE NOTES

January 2024

CALENDAR:

January 15...No School...MLK Day

January 26....24-25 Deposits due

February 2...No School...Teacher Inservice

February 13...Red Day for 3s, 3/4s and 4s classes

February 14...Cookie Party for 3s, 3/4s, 4s classes

February 15....Cookie Party for 2+ and Turning 3 classes

February 16...Red Day for 2+ and Turning 3 classes

February 19...No School...President's Day

March 1.....Midwinters Fundraising Event

From the Directors Desk:

After returning from a long winters break, January has been a very interesting month. We had our first snow day and frigid temperatures once we came back to school. We have spent most days indoors with big muscle play in our basement. Please know the teachers will always try to communicate with you if we are staying in, so you can avoid dressing your child in unnecessary snow gear. However, when temperatures are not in the danger zone we always try to get outdoors for some fresh air.

Registration for the 2024-25 school year occurred this month. We have a few openings remaining in some classes. **You are the most effective means we have of advertising our school.** Please let new neighbors and friends of young children know that we would welcome them. Thank you in advance for the good news you will be sharing!

For those families with children returning next year...a friendly reminder that the enrollment deposit is due by **Friday, January 26, 2024**. This deposit will hold your child's placement in their class. Should your plans change, please notify me of your withdrawal in writing as soon as possible.

Lastly, you should have all received your invitation to our Annual Midwinters Event. This event is the major fundraiser for St. David's Nursery School and it contributes directly towards our operating budget which allows us to maintain our high quality program. It is through the participation of our families and the generous donations from the community that every child who attends St. David's Nursery School truly benefits. I hope you will all attend or participate in some way. It really is a special night to celebrate all the wonderful things about our special school.

Best regards,

Debbie Keller



Eavesdroppings...Child to their Teacher:
"What toys are you going to play with after I go home?"



NOTES FROM THE BOARD

Happy New Year from your St. David's Nursery School board! Although off to a very chilly start, we know 2024 holds more exciting moments of fun and learning for our students & their families!

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is fully underway. We do have a very limited number of spaces left in some of our classes, so if you have any friends or neighbors that are still considering preschool, please encourage them to reach out and come see why St. David's is the happiest place to be!

Keep your eyes out for more information regarding new events & fundraisers coming over the next several months. To briefly highlight a few of our upcoming events, we have a Chop Shop ordering opportunity to help you get ready for Superbowl Sunday, a Yoga Event on the morning of Saturday, March 23rd, and of course, our big MidWinters Benefit on Friday, March 1st from 7-10pm. Be sure to save the dates!

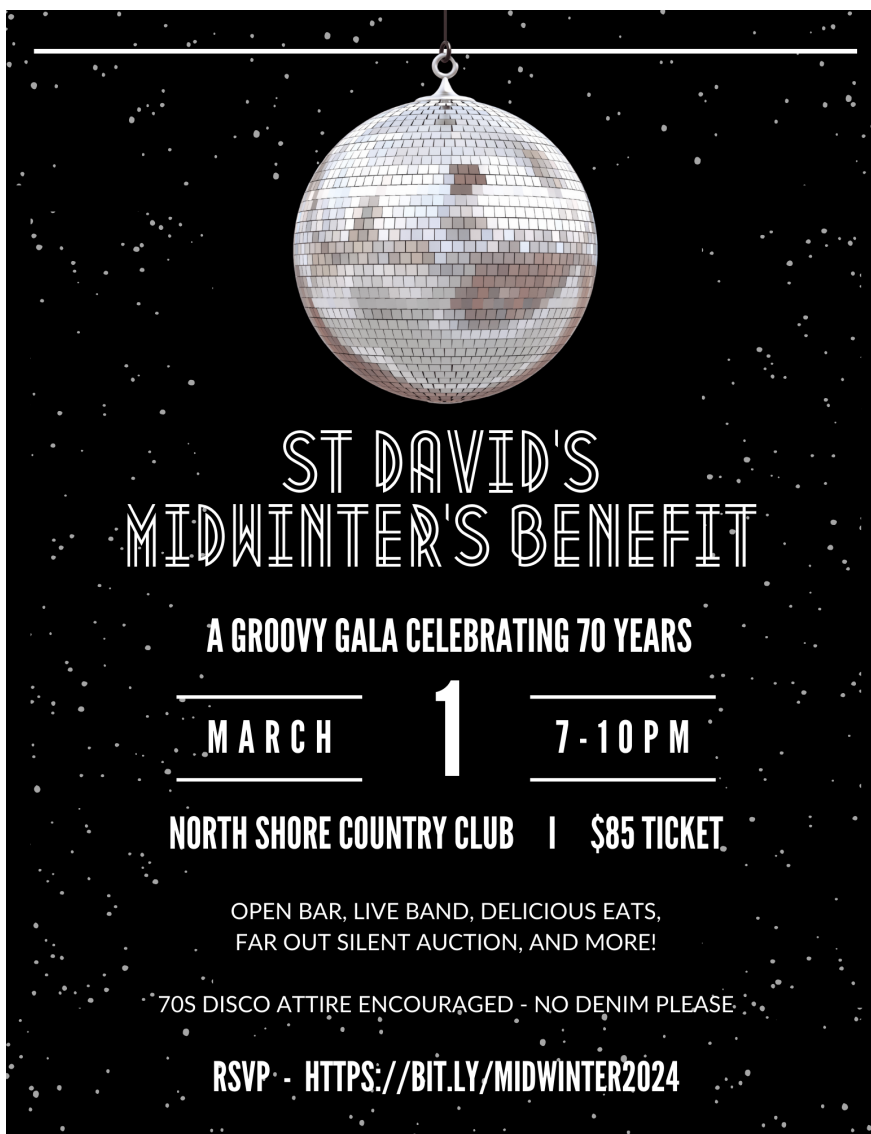
Our MidWinters Benefit is our biggest fundraising event of the year, and never disappoints on fun! This year is a big year of celebrating 70 years of St. David's Nursery School! Come dressed in your best 70's attire (if you want to dress up!), and see what the silent auction has to offer. It won't disappoint! Please RSVP using the following link:
<https://bit.ly/midwinter2024>

We look forward to spending more time as a community this year! Should there be any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to me or anyone on the board. We are always here to help in any way we can!

Jackie Thompson, Board President

Mark your calendars!!

Join us for our St. David's annual Midwinter's Benefit on Friday, March 1st, 7-10pm at the North Shore Country Club. We'll commemorate 70 years of preschool excellence with a 70s-themed celebration kicking off an exciting new decade. So dig out your bell bottoms for a night of disco, delicious bites and drinks, silent auction and music while supporting our students!



We'll have amazing auction items including:

- *Chef's Tasting Menu for 4 with Wine Pairings at Pomeroy Winnetka
- *Cubs Club Box Seats & Hotel Zachary stay
- *Special Firetruck ride to school with the Glenview Fire Department

RSVP and purchase tickets here: <https://bit.ly/midwinter2024>

More Midwinters News...

We are also hosting a fun wine grab activity at the event and need your help stocking it with fabulous bottles. Please consider donating a quality red, white, sparkling, or any \$10+ wine bottle you may have on hand.

Drop off your donation during morning carpool by February 23rd - you'll make the event even more fantastic! All proceeds will support school programs, as well as the construction of a new playground.

If you have any questions or if you or someone you know would like to donate auction items or be a featured event sponsor, please contact GraceNurre, chensoff.-grace@gmail.com or Amanda Lorenz, amandabbarone@gmail.com.

We appreciate your support and are looking forward to celebrating 70 years with you on March 1st!

Get ready to boogie down!



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

For the month of January we want to thank Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Garvey's 3/4s Class for their fabulous snow friends that adorn our front window.

A BIG thank you to Georgette Katsoulis and Maggie Draths for making this month's bulletin board extra welcoming and bright!

HELP ST. DAVID'S EARN POINTS FOR BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY.

YOU CAN ORDER SCHOLASTIC BOOKS ONLINE **ANY TIME** BY GOING TO

WWW.SCHOLASTIC.COM/BOOKCLUB.

Click on "Connect to a Teacher"

Enter the zip code 60025.

Scroll down to our school name -"St. David Nursery School"

Select Teacher name: Please enter "Debbie Keller"

Create an account and order anytime

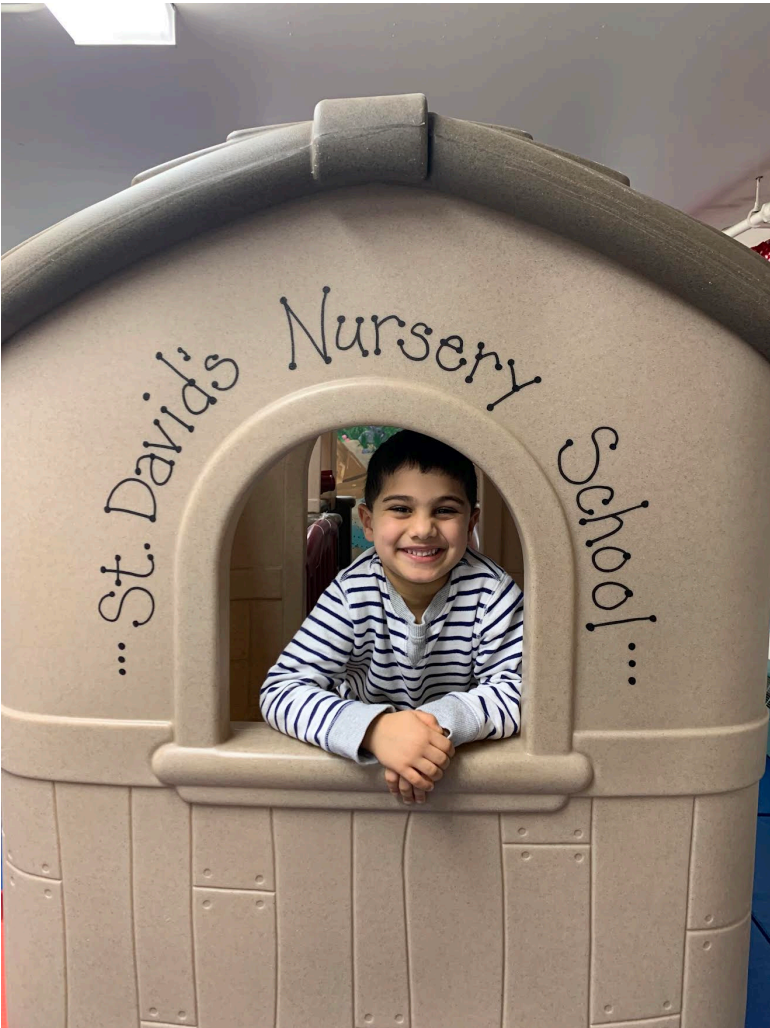
YOU WILL FIND SCHOLASTIC HAS A HUGE SELECTION OF BOOKS FOR ALL AGES. NEW "FLYERS" ARE POSTED ON THE SCHOLASTIC SITE EACH MONTH. ORDERS PLACED, WILL BE PROCESSED AT THE END OF THE MONTH AND CAN BE DELIVERED TO SCHOOL, OR DIRECTLY TO YOUR HOME. DELIVERIES ARRIVE WITHIN TWO WEEKS. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE.

HAPPY READING!

If you have any questions please contact Debbie Keller at 847-724-7841 or

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COOKIE PARTIES...

Thank you in advance to those bakers who will be providing delicious treats for the cookie parties in February. Please note that we do not have a regular day of school on your child's class cookie party day. Parents (and grandparents) are invited to come in to preview our wonderful Music Program and enjoy seeing the children as they participate in Music Class with Miss Jorie. All are then invited to come back to the classroom to enjoy delicious Cookies.

Cookie Party Schedule

Wednesday, February 14

Mrs. Kwilosz 3s class 9:30-10:30

Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Garvey's 3/4s class 10:15-11:15

Mrs. Koek and Mrs. Wiesman's 4s class. 11:00-12:00

Friday, February 15

Mrs. Randall 2+ class 9:00-10:00

Mrs. King's Turning 3 class. 9:45-10:45



Caption

RED DAY

RED DAY should not be confused with Cookie Parties.

St. David's celebrates Valentine's Day as **Red Day**. Everyone wears **red to school!** You are welcome to send valentines to school with your child. Your child can practice writing their name or initials on each card, but Please do not put individual names on the front of the envelopes.

Red Day schedule:

Tuesday, February 13.....Kwilosz, Johnson/Garvey, Koek/Wiesman class

Thursday, February 16.....Randall and King classes

Announcing Little Camp on the Corner

St. David's Nursery School will offer our camp program this year. Begin your child's summer here! Open to children who are currently in our 3 day 3s, 4 day and 5 day classes. Little Camp on the Corner extends your child's school year with activities that are filled with fun, imagination and discovery.

Little Camp on the Corner will run over two weeks (eight days) from May 28-June 6. (Week 1 meets Tuesday through Friday and Week 2 meets Monday through Thursday) from 9:00- 12:00. Little Camp on the Corner will be taught by Mrs. Kwilosz and Mrs. Randall with Mrs. Zuhr as the Teachers Aide.

Camp is limited to the first 24 children to sign up.

Registration will be available in March before our spring break.

