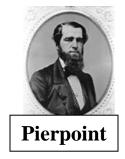


Learning Pathways Preschool December Newsletter Artist of the Month—Henri Matisse Composer--James Pierpoint (composer of Jingle Bells) Letters of the Month—Kk, Oo, Gg,Rr Math-number recognition, comparisons and 1 to 1 correspondence Themes-Classic Stories, Holidays and Celebrations



Is it really December? We had so many wonderful moments during the month of November that we barely noticed the time. Our holiday celebration will be on Thursday, December 21th at 4:00. The staff at Learning Pathways want to express a sincere thank you to our families for partnering with us to build a strong and successful foundation for our children. Happy holidays!

Creative Arts	Literacy	Math	Science/	Health/Safety	Physical	Social
			Social Studies		Development	/Emotional
Holiday art and crafts	Letters and sounds	Growing With Math-Comparing and ordering	Discuss changes in the weather and in	Safety during holiday shopping.	Games and activities that develop strength,	Help children understand that all feelings are
Art related to classic children's stories— (Goldilocks and	Writing letters Learning our last name	numbers AB patterns Positional words, 3 dimensional shapes	the natural environment	Review classroom rules and playground	endurance, balance and coordination	ok. Increase children's vocabulary of emotions and
the Three Bears, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, The Princess and the Pea,etc.)	Begin holiday books	Days of the week, Months of the year		safety		increase their ability to talk about their feelings.
Easel painting	Read, discuss and act our many of the classic	Compare sizes Opposites Review	Discuss the science of holiday baking.	Review the importance of washing hands	Parachute play, Bikes and ball, Bubble play, balance beam and	Identify facial expressions and situational causes of being afraid
Matisse—cut outs	children's stories (Goldilocks and the Three Bears, etc,)	previously taught concepts	Note changes from heat and mixing ingredients	and using tissues for runny noses and sneezes,	hoop play	Identify situations that cause fear.
Holiday Songs	Beginning,	Math Vocabulary	Discuss how people around		PFC with Mr. Wes will focus	Review "friends share, friends
Musical Instruments	middle and ending sounds	Number recognition 1-50	the world Celebrate		on Overhand, underhand and	help each other and friends play together"
Dramatic activities using props	Short "a" and "o" blends and words.	1 to 1 correspondence Addition and			side arm throwing. Balance, coordination and	Discuss family celebrations
	I am sentences	subtraction			spatial awareness.	

December Additional Kindergarten Curriculum

Literacy

Irregular vowel blends. Discussions focused on the beginning, middle and end of a story. Discussions focused on the characters, setting, and main idea of stories read during reading group. Understanding the difference between informational and fictional text. Write and illustrate your own story. Work in journals. Sight words sentences and diagraphs. Encourage children to use language that forms images or helps others visualize processes. Discuss order of events in stories. Discuss similarities and differences between ideas within a story and make comparisons to other stories read in class. Discuss causes of events in a story. Identify problems and pose solutions.

Math

Review 1 more and 1 less. Introduce adding 2. Compose and decompose numbers to 10. Continue counting from any number. (Do not go back to one) Addition and subtraction. Number stories and number sentences (Processing and translating information given in the number stories to number sentences). Two digit numbers plus one.

Themes

Classic stories, winter holidays, cultural celebrations and traditions.