

BUILDING BLOCKS PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

January 2024 Newsletter



WELCOME BACK

We hope that you enjoyed your vacation and were able to spend some quality time with your children. Much good health and well wishes from everyone here at Building Blocks for a Healthy and Happy New Year!

MANY THANKS!

I personally want to thank Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Demers for organizing and purchasing gifts for our "kids" Christmas shopping. They loved shopping with real money and I wish you could have seen how proud they were with their purchases. Hope you were too!

REGISTRATION

Returning student registrations will be held the last week of January. The Transitional K and Kindergarten classes fill up quickly so understand acceptance is on a 1st come first serve basis. We cannot guarantee space once registration is over. Forms will go home by way of each child and will be on our web site to print and send back. A \$75 deposit is required with the registration form. We realize that some parents register with us, us being a 2nd choice, if they don't get into a Lowell Public School of choice. **If we are your 2nd choice, please note that on the form.** Each year I turn children away, folks register somewhere else, then to be told during the summer that they are withdrawing. This is not fair to both parties.

TAX ID#

The Building Blocks TAX ID # will be given to the parents of children in our all-day program. Please call if you don't receive one. Parents submitting two W2 forms are eligible to receive child care tax credits.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

January 15th - No School

REPORT CARDS/PARENT CONFERENCES

At the end of the month, we will be setting up times for phone conferences or in person conferences. Parents will be notified by their teacher of their time. Days and times will vary so please return the form being sent home by your teacher. **This form needs to be returned in order for you to receive a phone or in-person conference time.** It is a choice as to conferencing or not. Many parents keep communication open throughout the school year and there is not a need to conference.

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures are scheduled for March. You will be notified when the days are approaching.

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THANKS

My personal thanks to all who sent gifts to myself and the staff at Christmas. I especially love the family Christmas Cards that were displayed in B.B. over the Holidays. You are terrific families and I am truly blessed with your friendships. Keep the cards coming, even when your child has graduated!!

SCHOOL LIBRARY

I have mentioned my concern with comprehension and general knowledge of recall with all our children. My humble opinion is that it could be due to parents being on social media at times when bed time stories should take priority.

Years ago, I always thought a bed-time story was "a law". It happened in all households. Due to my "anxiety" mounting over this we are continuing to visit our library each week. Please read their books of choice, as kids vocabulary will fail if this problem is not addressed.

TALENT SHOW

The Christmas talent show was a success! Every class performed a song and/or poem for the school audience. It was such fun! Hope your child caught you up on that and the reading of THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

TRIVIA

Kindergarten won the Capital Trivia match before Christmas. They get to keep the Trophy in their classroom until, and when, defeated by Transitional Kindergarten!! GO T.K.!! Next match will be in early March!! 15 or more capitals will be our goal. 25 by the time of graduation Make sure you involve your entire family by having your own family capital trivia contest! Our BB kids will probably beat their siblings, maybe even Mom and Dad!!

PAJAMA DAY, JANUARY 26TH (FRIDAY)

On January 26, we are planning pajama day and hibernating our class mascot bears (1 on each floor). Stay tuned for more details.

Please don't be concerned or frightened if you see 3 random bears on school property. We assure you; they are harmless!!!

Thanks Again and Major Good Health in 2024!!