# February 2017 News you can use!

**ODP:** 507-645-8532

# **Themes:**

Shapes Valentines

# When you have just 2 minutes! Read this stuff...

#### **Important Dates for Everyone!**

Tuition is due on February 1<sup>st</sup>!

February 14 3 day Valentine Party 10:30am February 16 2 day Valentine Party 10:30am February TBD St Olaf Prairie Visits, 3 and 2 day classes

March 2 5:00-6:30pm Open House/registration 2017-18 March 4 9:30-11am Open House /registration 2017 -18 March 20-27 No School

## It's a Heartwarming Event!

Each year the children at ODNS invite family and friends of all ages to school for a special Valentine's Day celebration. The children have a chance to perform some of the songs, dances and fingerplays they have learned throughout the year. They look forward to seeing you there! If you are unable to attend, please invite a friend or relative who can. We appreciate your prompt arrival, to allow enough time for performances and refreshments, we must begin on time. There will be **NO VALENTINE EXCHANGE**.

#### Take Home Box

Just a reminder that we would like the parents/drivers to pick up things out of the take home box. When children do this, it can result in missing art work/important messages and congestion at the box. Remember that your child's things will be found BEHIND their name. If someone else is picking up your child, please remind them of this procedure.

#### Tax Time

Open Door does not provide a tuition statement at the end of a fiscal/school year. Be aware that you were charged a \$55 registration fee, a \$25 supply fee and \$135 (2 day)/\$165 (3day) per month. The first payment was due in the summer. The second was paid at our orientation in September. The remainder of payments were due at the first of each month. This means you would have paid tuition # 1- 5 for the fiscal year and the remaining payments 6-9 will be received in 2017. Our tax # is: 41-605 3204. Some individual plans will require a signature from provider. I am happy to sign these. Leave them at Open Door and I will return them via your child's take home box.

# When you have 5 MORE minutes! Read this stuff...

# Winter Prairie Visits

It's time again for our visit to the St. Olaf Prairie. We will start and end our day at the ART BARN. We are in need of chaperones. If you can help, please sign-up on the sheet which will be posted in the hall as soon as dates are finalized. Remember – no siblings. If your child will not be attending the field trip, please contact your child's teacher by phoning Open Door and follow the appropriate prompt.

# Let's Talk Conferences

Conference time is approaching! 2 and 3Day Conferences will be held March/early April. Please watch for the sign-up sheet in the hall above the take-home box. If you would prefer a phone conference, or cannot attend at the scheduled times, please let your child's teacher know.

# **Registration for 2017 - 2018**

ODNS will hold our open house on Thursday, March 2 from 5:00-6:30pm and Saturday, March 4 from 9:30 – 11:00am. Remember, you can still

register your currently enrolled child or sibling prior to our opening registration to the public. Please be sure to let your friends and neighbors know of our upcoming open houses. We hope you will let others know what a fun place ODP is!

# **Outside Play**

Please be sure to send your child to school wearing outside play clothes (snowpants, boots, mittens/gloves and hats). When the temperature is 0 degrees or below, we will be inside. If the windchill is 10 below or greater we will be inside. Please check the Carleton College weather site for current conditions. Be sure to send warm/waterproof mittens. The thin stretchy gloves get wet almost immediately and can feel very cold and uncomfortable.

# When you've got 10 more minutes! This stuff is good to know...

#### **Looking for Something Fun?**

With winter here, the library is a great place to visit. Check out a good book and join the children's librarian for: Storytime for all ages. Stories, fingerplays, movement and song. 10:00 am Wednesday and Friday

## With All the Gratitude in Our Hearts...

To all of you who were able to help on our cleaning day. The room and toys are sparkling clean thanks to you!

To Deb Gottfried for subbing for Mrs Howe.