

# Indianola Preschool newsletter

## CLASSES

We have enjoyed all things Christmas this month in each classroom. Thank you for sending back the stockings to hang by the fireplace.

## PLAY = LEARNING

Our focus on play this month is dramatic play. Often referred to as the "kitchen center" dramatic play can be so much more! Children can play out situations in their lives and make sense of them in a safe and protected environment. They also problem solve with peers, create a sense of identity and belonging, practice communication, and build knowledge. As with all open-ended play, children grow and learn according to their skills and needs.



## IPS NEWS

The Umbrella Shade is finished! It was a long process, but it will provide much needed relief from the sun and temperatures this spring and summer. Thank you to our crew for completing this project!!!

Upcoming Fundraisers:

SCRATCH Cupcakes: January 27-February 14. Delivery date is March 7<sup>th</sup>. You may sell online or with a paper form (or both!)

## IMPORTANT DATES

December 18, 19: Class Parties

December 20-January 1: Winter Break, No class, No child care

January 6, 7: Library Visit

January 15, 16: Nature Center Visit

January 20: NO CLASS, Child Care Available

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## INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICIES

As the weather begins to change this is a good time to remind everyone of our inclement weather policies. We will follow the Indianola School District for all closings and delays.

- If Indianola Schools are CLOSED- we are CLOSED (no class, no childcare)
- If Indianola Schools are DELAYED- we will not have morning classes, childcare is open only for those already signed up. If you don't plan to attend childcare, please message on Brightwheel ASAP.
  - It is a rare occurrence, but if there is an initial delay and then a later closing, you will be asked to come back to pick up your child from child care as soon as possible.
- If Indianola Schools DISMISS EARLY- we will not have afternoon classes. Childcare will remain open as long as it is safe to travel home. Child Care families, please send a message with your estimated arrival time.

All updates will be posted to our Facebook page and a Brightwheel message will be sent out immediately, as well. Child Care families are refunded the daily rate for any snow days (usually applied to the next month's invoice).

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