

# December









# **Holiday Celebrations Around** the World

St. Nicholas Day-Dec 5 or 6 Immaculate Conception Day-Dec 8 Bodhi Day-Dec 8 Feast Day of Our Lady Guadalupe-Dec 12 Hanukkah-Dec 18-26 Yule-Dec21-Jan1 Christmas-Dec 25 Boxing Day-Dec 26 Kwanza-Dec 26-lan 1

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# Happy Holidays!

May the good times and treasurers of the present become the golden memories of tomorrow. Wishing you lots of love, joy, happiness.

# Interested in Becoming a Volunteer?

We are seeking parents/guardians to help with socialization prep/set up, reading to children, offering a second set of hands in the classroom, attend field trips, etc.

Connect with your Home Visitor, Teacher, or Family Service Worker to get a volunteer packet



### **Cold Weather Tips**

Layer up! Bitter cold and snow can cause frostbite. Dress your child in several layers, and make sure their head, neck and hands are covered. Dress babies and young children in one more layer than an adult would

Play it safe. Even when roads are closed to traffic, it's not safe to play or sled in the street. Visibility may be limited due to snowbanks and ice on the roads makes braking difficult.

Beware of clothing hazards. Scarves and hood strings can strangle smaller children so use other clothing to keep them warm.

Check in on warmth. Before kids head outside, tell them to come inside if they get wet or if they're cold. Then keep watching them and checking in. They may want to continue playing outside even if they are wet or cold.

Use caution around fires. Wood-burning stoves, fireplaces and outdoor fire-pits are cozy but can present danger - especially to small children. Use caution and put up protective gates when possible. If you've lost power or heat and are alternative heating methods like kerosene or electric heaters, be sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working.

### **Outdoor Play**

Please remember that we go outside daily if it is 25 degrees or warmer. Please dress your child in a warm coat. Please send in a hat and gloves for your child.

#### **Bus Stop Reminder**

As we approach winter, please remember to be at your bus stop 5 minutes prior to the bus arriving. In some cases the bus cannot wait. This delay impacts other runs and class times

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