



ERDMAN NEWS

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Join Us for a Special Conversation

“The Impact of Screen Time on Your Child’s Development”

Tuesday, December 3rd at 7 PM in the Big Room

With Occupational Therapist Kate May and Speech Pathologist Nicole Caparella

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **Threes Parent Teacher Conferences**
MTTH 3’s & MWF 3’s –Thursday, 12/5
WF 3 – Monday, 12/9
- **PAC MEETING Monday 12/9 – 7 PM** in the Big Room
- **Friday 12/13:** Tuition Due
- **Tuesday, 12/17 @ 11:15**
Wednesday, 12/18 @ 11:15 & 3:15:
Bake Sale and Sing-A-Long
This is a special Erdman tradition! **Each child needs a special adult with them and siblings are welcome.** Watch for more Bake Sale info from PAC.
- **December 19 - January 1. NO SCHOOL**
Happy Holidays to all!
- **Thursday, 1/2/19: School Resumes**
- **KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT**
Tuesday, 1/7 @ 6:30 PM - Wampatuck School Cafeteria. All preschools are invited to learn about Scituate Kindergarten registration, curriculum, routines, expectations and policies. Lots of time for questions with a Kindergarten teacher from each of the elementary schools. All parents are welcome.

2020-2021 tentative class lists will be posted on the Parent Board in the upstairs hallway by December 13. Please speak with Debby if you have any questions.

Holiday Sing-a-Long & Bake Sale

Tuesday, 12/17 at 11:15

Wednesday, 12/18 at 11:15 & 3:15

Catch the holiday spirit during this Erdman tradition

~All family members are welcome~

More details coming soon from PAC

Holly Days!

Need more time for last-minute holiday prep?

Your child can join Colleen, Beth and Nancy

Thursday, 12/19 and/or Friday, 12/20 from 9 to 1:00 for play, creative activities, music, lunch & outside fun!

\$40 per child, per day

Max of 20 little elves each day (minimum of 12).

Return attached registration form to office ASAP.

First come, first served. This year’s fun at last year’s price!

CLASS ACTIVITIES

December is a very short but very busy month for everyone. All classes will make special gifts for their families as we focus on caring for each other and celebrating together rather than on a specific holiday (**social/emotional development**). If you have a family tradition that you would like to share please speak with your child’s teachers (**social studies, cultural traditions**). We’ll be making cookies (**measuring and counting**), gingerbread houses, candy trees and simple decorations (**lots of creative fine motor tracing, cutting, gluing**). The Gingerbread Baby will come to life in the 4 day class (**literacy**)! **Please watch your class message board and teacher emails so that you do not miss a thing!**

This month the Fours’ teachers will use the research based Early Screening Inventory (ESI) to individually screen each child. This is a brief developmental screening instrument that looks at speech, language, cognition, perception and gross and fine motor skills. It helps us make sure that your child’s development is on track in these areas. It was developed by the authors of the Work Sampling Assessment System that we have been using for several years. The results will be shared with you at Fours conferences in January.

WINTER WEATHER ALERT

We follow the Scituate Public Schools for school closings due to inclement weather. NO school in Scituate means NO school at Erdman. A one hour delay in Scituate means a one hour delay at Erdman. More than a one hour delay means no morning classes at Erdman and no Lunch Bunch but **afternoon classes will be held beginning at 1:00.**

It is your responsibility to access this information via the Scituate school's website www.scituate.k12.ma.us. If Erdman must cancel for another reason you will be notified via email.

REMINDERS

Please dress your child warmly as the playground is cold and windy. We go out every day that the temperature with wind chill is 20 degrees or above. If it is below 20 at 9:00 AM we will start inside but will go out later if the temp rises so please bring all of your child's gear.

You may access the Weather Channel app for the "feels like" temperature. Layers are great. **Hats, mittens (the best are water resistant – please NO GLOVES), snow (not rain) boots and snow pants are necessary and should be in your child's school bag every day** from now until spring! Children may bring slippers to wear in class.

Please label everything! Spending a few minutes helping your child learn to manage winter clothing increases self-confidence and decreases frustration. Children love to feel in control! Thank you ☺

Now that the cold season is here please consider what is best for your child. If your child has a persistent cough, an excessive running nose that requires constant attention or is just not "feeling themselves" an extra day or two of rest may be best. Children must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

OPENINGS & OPPORTUNITIES

- The annual **Kindergarten Information Evening** with Scituate Kindergarten teachers is planned for Tuesday, January 7 @ 6:30 PM in the Wampatuck School Cafeteria. Information about registration, curriculum, expectations, routines and policies will be available
- We currently have **a few openings in 3's and 4's classes** for next fall. It's not too late for your friends to arrange a visit to learn more about our school. Thank you for spreading the word about "learning by doing" at Erdman!

PAC NEWS

Thank you for supporting our Helping Hands program and for being Lunch Bunch volunteers. We appreciate your help and generosity very much!

Please visit the Bannister Bookshop in the entryway. These are gently loved donated books that sell for \$1. The proceeds help us buy new books for the Erdman Library. Feel free to donate from your own collection as well.

We appreciate the donation that Elizabeth Horne and Stephanie Olsen made to Erdman from their portrait sessions. Thank you so much!!!

HELPING HANDS

There are new "hands" on the entry calendar so please take a peek to see if there is anything you could contribute! Also, please recycle your **plastic shopping bags** to Erdman. We use them every day and our supply is running low!

We especially need a **handy parent or two** who would be willing to take on a few simple repair projects for Lunch Bunch credit. Please let Debby know if you are available!

HOLIDAY WISHES

During this busy and often stressful time, we hope you will find a few quiet moments to spend with your child each day - read a book, play a game, do a puzzle. Quality time with you is the best gift you can give. You will both feel renewed.

All of us at Erdman send our very best wishes for a happy, healthy holiday season to all of our families and friends. You make Erdman a very special place! We look forward to having you with us in 2020!



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