

Welcome December! It's always an exciting month for the children with decorating classroom Christmas trees, singing songs and reading a variety of books about this special season, and creating special gifts just for you! We wish your family a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy new year!

THE "HOLIDAY TRAIN"

Sunday, December 8th at 5:45pm

See the lights, enjoy some cocoa and holiday music! More details about this local annual event can be found on the Village of Hartland website. Non-perishable food donations are welcome to help support two local food pantries.

"CHRISTMAS JINGLES" Wednesday, Dec. 11th

It's time for some holiday fun! Mrs. Jan Meisel (a former Wee Know teacher) will host a morning of holiday songs and interactive musical activities with each classroom! HO..HO..HO!!

<u>Christmas Jammies & Cookies</u>

Wednesday, Dec. 18 & Thursday, Dec. 19

You heard right! Wear your Christmas jammies to school on these days as we celebrate the season with cookie decorating in each classroom!

SEVERE WEATHER & SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Winter has arrived, and so has the season of unpredictable weather. We always try to remain open, however, in the event of severe weather or hazardous conditions, our school may close. Closing information will be listed on TV channels 4, 6 and 12 and their websites, <u>Classroom</u> Facebook pages, school voicemail and an email will be sent to all families.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER AND FALL 2025

Registration will be starting in late January for currently enrolled, alumni and new families. Kettle Moraine district 4K families may choose "Wee Know" for their child's morning 4-K program (at no cost) with an option for wrap around care if needed. 4K children from other districts can also attend but must privately pay. Summer and Fall registration forms and information on Wee Know 4K options will be distributed in mid-January. Please contact our office if you need ANY assistance.



BLUEBIRD NEWS

From Mrs. S & Ms. Heather

We started November learning about germs and how to wash them away. Ask your child about the new song we sang about washing hands, and the fun experiments we did. Next, we explored our 5 senses with fun art and small group activities like taste testing and guessing what scents were in smelling jars. The final two weeks, we focused on turkeys and giving thanks. Lots of turkey art was created and silly books like <u>Turkey Trouble</u> were a hit in the classroom. Thank you for attending conferences this month, it was great to connect with everyone! We hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving. We are thankful for each one of our families, and each child in the Bluebird classroom.

DECEMBER THEMES

Dec. 2-6

Gingerbread; "Hh"

A variety of gingerbread man books will be read this week! We will also make gingerbread man cookies and build a class gingerbread house. At our art table, the children will begin making ornaments to decorate our class Christmas tree.





Sights & Sounds of Christmas; "li" #

We will take this week to explore the sights and sounds of Christmas. We will sing popular songs like "Jingle Bells" and put up our classroom Christmas tree.





Christmas Trees and Ornaments; "li" #9

The children will continue to create ornaments and Christmas tree art to decorate our tree over and over! We'll also read some fun holiday books like <u>Mooseltoe!</u> Remember to wear your Christmas jammies on Wednesday and Thursday! We will be busy decorating Christmas cookies and will watch a short children's Christmas favorite!

Dec. 23-Jan. 3

Children's Choice & Happy New Year

These will be festive days of holiday cheer! The Bluebirds will talk about New Year's and make fun art like fireworks and noise makers.



CLASSROOM CELEBRATIONS

Our classroom will come alive as we celebrate the holiday season. We will also be very, very busy working on our top secret Christmas presents for our families.....Shhh! Don't tell anyone! We will be stressing the "magic of the season". Look for our holiday decorations in our Facebook posts, listen for new Christmas songs we learn and wrap your arms around your little Bluebird for a nice warm touch!

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Now that the days are getting colder, please note we try and go outside if the temperature is 20 degrees or above (this includes wind chill). Hats and mittens are recommended, as well. Mittens are easier and preferred. When the snow flies, boots and snow pants will be required to play outside. **Remember to label**

all clothing and both boots & mittens!!

