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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed the holidays and sincerely thank you for all the Christmas gifts and well wishes. January is typically a very busy month, and this year is no exception. Please read below so you are informed about the many happenings. Also remember to notify the preschool office if any of your emergency numbers or medical insurance information have recently changed.

Registration

Registration materials were emailed to you. Please complete your registration form and email it to Julie Moore at treasurer@concordiapreschool.org, or you can bring in the completed paper copy to the preschool. Julie will send you an invoice for the \$75 registration fee once she receives your form. Priority registration for our current (in-house) families, including siblings, will run through this week. We will open to new families on Monday, Jan 12. Please note, we have increased our class offerings for 2 year olds to include 2, 3 or 5 days. If you know of new families looking for a preschool, please recommend us! I am happy to give tours and information. If you have any questions about registration or class offerings, please do not hesitate to ask.

Bad Weather Closings

I make the decision to close our school based on weather reports and recommendations from State Officials. We use the Call Multiplier system to inform you of weather related closings and important messages. The earliest the system would call you is 6:30 am, the latest is 9 pm. Typically, we will only send the message to the "Main" phone you listed on your emergency phone tree. If we have an emergency and need to cancel close to or during school hours, we will call all of your emergency numbers. We do also list our delay/closing on the WSTW/WDEL Snowwatch websites. On those sites, we are listed under childcare centers not schools. If you have any questions or need to make changes to any of your listed emergency numbers, please see me or email Julie Moore at treasurer@concordiapreschool.org. Our teachers do their best to email you and post in their groups as well.

Friday Specials

The new session of Friday Specials will begin this Friday, January 9 and run through April 17. The total cost is \$228 for the 12 week session. We will not have specials on 2/20 due to the Art Fair, or 4/3 and 4/10 due to Easter break. There is still room in soccer and dance for those who would like to participate. Those who registered already will receive an invoice for payment. Please pay prior to the first class.

Scholastic Book Order

A scholastic flyer is coming home soon. Attached to it, you will find instructions for you to place your orders online. (There are more selections online than in the paper flyers). PLEASE use your child's first and last name when ordering. You are also able to return the paper form to school. All orders should be placed by Friday, January 30.

Art Fair Social

Back by popular demand, this year's Art Fair will be on Friday, Feb.20 from 6 to 7:30 pm. Please come to see beautiful art projects made by the students and socialize with each other and your teachers. Admission is free. There will be a bake sale with nut-free goodies made by the teachers to benefit our financial aid fund. You won't want to miss this fun family event!!

Spring Conference dates

Spring conferences will take place on Monday, March 30 and Tuesday, March 31. We will not have school on either of these dates. Please mark the dates on your calendar.

Camp Concordia

Save the dates! Camp will run for 2 weeks this year Tuesday-Friday. The hours are 9-12. Week 1- 5/26-5/29. Week 2- 6/2-6/5. Themes to be announced soon.

Registration for camp will begin on Wednesday, April 15 at drop off. Please hand your form (available closer to the date) to a staff member in the car line or email it to director@concordiapreschool.org. **All current Concordia students (2 year old classes too!) are eligible to attend camp.**

FYI- Camp typically fills up on the first morning of registration.

Yours in mittens and paper snowflakes,
Helen Spillan

Important Upcoming Dates:

1/9	New session of Friday Specials begins
1/12	Advisory Board Meeting 7 pm
1/19	MLK Holiday, NO School
1/30	Scholastic Book order due
2/16	President's Day, NO School
2/17	Teacher In-Service Day, NO School
2/20	Art Fair 6-7:30 pm (drop in)