

Salem Methodist Preschool

January 2019



Calendar

Wed/Thurs/Fri
Jan 2/3/4 - Winter
Camp and Extended
Care

Mon Jan 7th - preschool
classes resumes
(Barrington 220 resumes
TU 1/8)

Week of Jan 7th -
placement
recommendations out to
current families

Jan 7 - Jan 18 - Little
Caesar's Pizza
fundraiser at Salem!

Wed Jan 9th - Stretch
N Grow

Mon Jan 14th - Tours
begin for prospective
families

Tues Jan 15th - Music
Classes

Wed Jan 16th - January
tuition due

Wed/Thurs Jan 16/17 -
Stretch N Grow

Fri Jan 18th - Little
Caesar's Pizza orders
due

Mon Jan 21st - **NO**
SCHOOL - Martin
Luther King Holiday

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday season! We are looking forward to seeing everyone very soon! Winter Camp and Extended care will be running on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Preschool programs resume on Monday, January 7th.

Thank you to everyone who brought treats, plates, napkins, cups, and punch for the Christmas receptions. We had special Christmas programs and I hope you enjoyed them as much as I did!

Cindy

PS. Please note that January tuition will now be due by **Wednesday January 16th** because of the late start after the holidays.



Pre K getting ready for their performance!

Thurs Jan 24th -
Community Meal at
Salem (5-7 pm)

Fri Jan 25th -
Registration requests
DUE to preschool office
for 2019-2020

Wed Jan 30th - Music
classes

Wed Jan 30th - Pizza
arrives for pickup
(beginning at 11:00 am)

Feb 11th - New family
registration

Feb 13 & 14 -
Valentine's Day parties

Mon Feb 18 - **NO**
SCHOOL - President's
Day (Note: Barrington
220 is off on Fri 2/15,
Salem is **IN** session)

Week of Feb 25 - Mar 1
-Book Fair

Thurs Feb 28 & Fri Mar
1 Parent Teacher
Conferences -
NO SCHOOL EXCEPT
EXTENDED CARE



4's Christmas Pageant!

It will be good to be back in a routine again. Please don't be surprised if your child has a little trouble separating from you - remember they have just spent over two weeks with the family and have new toys at home that they may not want to leave. It may take a little while for them to adjust, and we are ready to help with the transition.

Please read the registration section **CAREFULLY** in this newsletter. Please ask if you have any questions! We will be happy to schedule a visit for you so you can see a "future" class in action.

DO YOU NEED A RECEIPT FOR TAXES?
Please let the preschool office know and we will be
happy to complete one.

Winter Weather

Winter is here and the possibility of inclement weather needs to be addressed. It is time to use special caution as you pick up and drop off your child/ren in the parking lot. Our lot does "shrink" as the snow is plowed, so please build in time for parking.

The season also brings weather conditions which may require school cancellation. In case of unsafe winter conditions, Salem will close. We will make every effort to remain open in the case of severe cold weather conditions. Closing information will be sent out as soon as possible via School Rush, email and will also be listed on the website www.emergencyclosing.com. Missed days because of weather conditions will not be made up.

January is a GREAT Time to Add Enrichment Classes!

Looking for additional time in the afternoon or another day of preschool for your child? January is a perfect time to add more days or enrichment classes! Stop by the preschool office for more details!

Preschool Registration 2019-2020 School Year -

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is beginning soon. You will receive in-house registration request forms the week of January 14th. A box marked "Registration," located next to the tuition box outside of the preschool office, will be available for you to drop off your forms. Please note that we ask that you list **FIRST** and **SECOND** choices for class days and times. Each year many of the classes have too many requests and second choices need to be assigned using a lottery drawing for individual classes (a waitlist is formed for first choice).

Salem will continue to offer "traditional" and "enrichment" classes along with Stay 'N Play. We will also be continuing our extended care to families that need a longer day. Programming will begin at 7:00 am and run until 6:00 pm but flexibility for number of days and times continues to be available! Salem morning preschool times will continue to run from 9:00am-11:30 am, Stay 'N Play 11:30-1:00 and Enrichment from 12:30-2:00pm. Early Birds (8:00 am or earlier) will be available. We are excited to continue this programming at Salem!

Current students and siblings **MUST** have their forms and the **\$100 registration/supply fee (per child)** turned into the office on or before **FRIDAY, JANUARY 25th**.

I will not begin to open any forms until this date, but you may begin turning them in right away. If you need additional forms for siblings, please stop by the office. New family registration begins on February 11th.

Outdoor Play



DCFS requires that we have outdoor time every class day if it is not raining and the temperature is above 20 degrees (including wind chill factor).

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD HAS A HAT, MITTENS, BOOTS, and SNOWPANTS. These should ALL be LABELED!! Many times children will insist that something does not belong to them - especially when the item is new! When a class goes outside, everyone needs to go out. We do not have enough staff to allow a student to stay indoors when the class goes outside.

We have plenty of lululemon bags for snow gear storage if you need - stop by the office!

You can check the weather channel for weather temperatures. This is what we check each morning!

LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA FUNDRAISER!

Just in time for the big game in February! Check out a new fundraiser for the preschool. . . Little Caesars Pizza kits come frozen and ready to spread, add cheese, choice of toppings and bake right at home. Order forms will be distributed this week and will be due by Friday January 18th. The kits will be delivered on Wednesday, January 30th after 11:00 am.

Updating Information

Has your phone number, cell phone, email and/or address changed? If so, please notify the office immediately so that we can update your files! This is extremely important - especially if we need to get hold of you because of a sudden illness or accident.

If you have any additions for the pick up form, please see the office also. We will notify the classroom teacher(s).

Calling All Dads, Grandpas and guests!

Dads, Granddads and guests . . . This is your special day! Please mark your calendar **NOW** for a special event with your child. The preschool will be hosting "Donuts with Dad" on the following dates:

Wednesday, March 13th (8:30-9:00 am) in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, March 14th (8:30-9:00 am) in Fellowship Hall

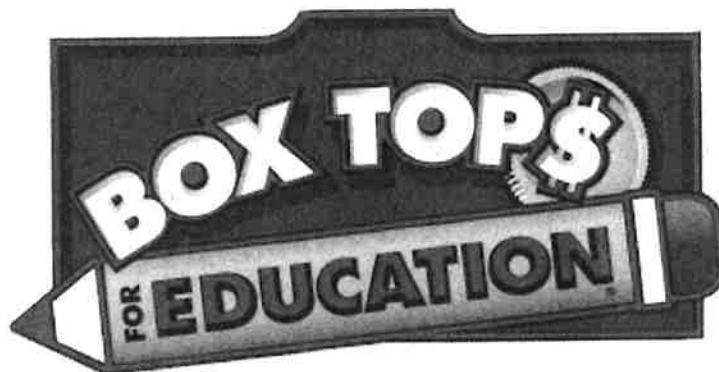
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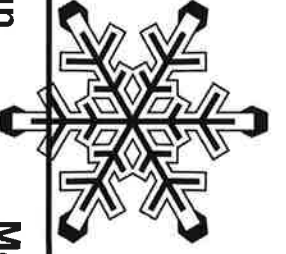
Please choose the date which will work best for your schedule! Watch for more details!



Keep those Box Tops for Education Coming!

Thanks for collecting Box Tops for Education tops! Each top is worth \$0.10 so keep collecting.





January 2019

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Dec 30	Dec 31	1	2	3	4	5
Salem Closed	Salem Closed	Happy New Year!	Winter Camp & Extended Care	Winter Camp & Extended Care	Winter Camp & Extended Care	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Preschool resumes		Stretch N Grow			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Music Classes	Stretch N Grow	Stretch N Grow	Little Caesar's pizza orders due to preschool office	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	MLK Holiday Salem Closed			Community Meal at Salem 5-7 pm	2019-2020 registration request forms due	
27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1	
			Music Classes Little Caesar's pizza orders arrive (11:00 am)			

