

"Kindness is like snow - it beautifies everything it covers." Khalil Gibran

Dear Tiny Thinkers Families,

Happy January to our wonderful preschool families! As we begin a new year, we're excited to continue fostering a love of learning and growth in all of our little ones. This month, we'll focus on setting new goals, embracing the winter season, and creating meaningful experiences that support both our children's development and the sense of community within our preschool. We're looking forward to another joyful month of discovery, creativity, and fun. Thank you for being a part of our preschool family. Here's to a bright and successful 2025!

In this month of January, we are going to be celebrating the 100th day of school! 100 days of school means our little ones are 100 days smarter! Our students will also be learning about Martin Luther King Jr.

We'd like to also thank all of Santa's elves that helped with our Holiday Program. Thank you so much parents for volunteering, we wouldn't be able to do what we do without you! If you'd like to participate in our many volunteer opportunities, please contact your child's teacher.

Here are some of the exciting things we have planned:

Upcoming Events:

- 1) New Years Day School Closed: We would like to inform you that School will be closed on New Years Day, Wednesday 1/1/2025. Classes will resume back to normal schedule on Thursday 1/2/2024. Please have a safe and fun New Years Day with family and friends.
- 2) <u>Martin Luther King Jr Day School Closed:</u> We would like to inform you that School will be closed on Martin Luther kind Jr Day Monday 1/20/2025. Classes will resume back to normal schedule on Tuesday 1/21/2025. Enjoy your 3-day weekend.
- 3) <u>Lunar New Year Parade-</u> Year of the snake: The students of Tiny Thinkers will be participating in a Lunar New Year Parade. Where they will display their creative lunar new year instruments. We also encourage students and staff to wear their traditional Chinese clothing or clothes that are red or gold in color.

Resources: In this section you will find important information which contains important resources for parents.

Finding the right school for your child:

Finding the right school for your child can be hard and scary at the same time. First 5 California encourages families the importance to start the process of finding and enrolling your child for TK or Kindergarten early.

A parent tip that is given to parents in the First 5 California is the following: "Be sure to enroll your child as early as possible to avoid a late start to the school year." The first days of school are an important period when everyone is learning and adjusting together. Schools are often closed during the summer, so be sure to complete your child's enrollment before the school year starts.

If you would like more information, please visit the first link provided on the list of websites. Also, when selecting the right school for your child there are some important points which you should keep in mind when looking for the right school for your child. First know your child's learning styles, understand your child's strengths and weaknesses, be willing to compromise, want more for

them and not you and finally best is not always best; to find out more on these points please visit the second link provided in the website list below. When looking at the right school for your child as a parent you need to please look at whether the school you looking to enroll your child will be able to meet your child's needs. A great place that can help you get guided into what are some of the needs that your child will need to be met is provided by the California Department of Education and you can find more information by visiting the third link provided in the list below. If you believe that the school isn't meeting the needs of your child, then please visit and read more about it in the fourth link that is provided in the link list below.

- Websites with great information please check out.
 - o https://www.first5california.com/en-us/articles/how-to-find-a-school-and-enroll-your-child-preschooler/
 - o https://www.methodschools.org/blog/5steptstoselectingaschoolsforyourchild
 - o https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/re/cagdevelopment.asp
 - o https://giftedguru.com/6-steps-to-take-when-school-isnt-meeting-the-needs-of-your-child/

We encourage parents and guardians to get involved and ask their children to participate, they have been learning in preschool. As always, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We are excited to continue working with you and your children to foster a love of learning and curiosity that will last a lifetime.

January Reminders

- Reminder the weather is still cold and make sure children are in weather appropriate clothes.
- Sign In and Out Please remember that it's required to sign your child in and out every day! It is part of our school policy and very important for the safety of your child that is in our care. If you are one of our CCRC families, please also sign on to the appropriate page
- Sick Policy- If your child is feeling sick or demonstrating any symptoms, please keep them at home and consult your physician before returning to school. If a child arrives at school with symptoms and is feeling uncomfortable the parents will be notified about the child's health. With the flu season still in effect we need to maintain the center and staff healthy so please take precautions during this time
- Reminder any school payments if made using a check please make sure to write in the MEMO part your child's Full first and last name & what you are paying.
- Reminder if your child gets hurt at home, please make sure to inform your teacher at drop-off time.
- Reminder, please contact your child's school if your child is out sick to help maintain a closer eye on all children at the center.
- Reminder toys are to be kept at home unless there is a shared day at school, we are not responsible for any lost or broken toys.

Please make a note! The school is unable to allow make-up or substitute days for times that a child is absent. There will be NO refund given for days not attended. We DO NOT pro-rate tuition for vacation, sickness, holidays, or school closures. Have any questions or concerns, please email or call.

North Hills

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Canoga Park

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Santa Clarita

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Teachers Corner

This month our focus topic will be:

<u>Theme:</u> Artic Animals; Outer Space; Dental Health; Nutrition

Letter: (LB & BF) Kk; LI (BB1 & BB2) Uu & Vv; Ww & Xx

Number: (LB & BF)10; 11(BB1 & BB2) 20 & 21; 22 & 23

Color: Red + Blue=Purple; Pink

Shape: Hexagon; Heptagon

Science: Polar Bear Bubbler Experiment; Dental Hygiene

Cooking: Rocketship Hotdog; Yogurt fruit Pops

Recyclable Project: Water Bottle PENGUIN; Water Bottle Tooth

Sign Language: Polar Bear, Ice; Star, Moon; Teeth, Toothbrush; Nutrition, Vegetables

Sight Words: Will & Be; Go & For

Spanish Vocabulario: Oso Polar, Zorro Ártico, Narval; Estrella, Luna; Diente, cepillo

de dientes, pasta de dientes; Nutrición

Canción en español: El bosque de la china; Cepilla Tus Dientes

Songs: Sun, Moon and Stars; Brush Your Teeth

<u>Character of Education:</u> "Love one another"; "Respect Nature"; "Believe in Yourself"; "Be Polite"

Sensory: Moon Sand Sensory experience; Cloud Dough Bin

Outdoor Painting: Color Mixing Fun on Foil

Outdoor Gross Motor Skills: Freeze Dance; Boom Chica Boom song dance



Happy Birthday to everyone born in January



On your special day, that is your birthday, we wish the best of wishes. We hope that you spend your special day with your loved ones and family. We hope that all your wishes come true.



Wed. 1/1/2025 New Years Day School Closed

Mon. 1/6/2025 100TH Day of School

Mon. 1/20/2025 Martin Luther King Jr Day School Closed

Wed. 1/29. 2025 Lunar New Year

Wed. 1/29/2025 Parade - Year of the Snake

WE WILL BE CLOSED ON

