

#### "Every child is Gifted 💙 they just unwrap their packages at different times." - Unknown

#### Dear Tiny Thinkers Families,

Twinkling lights, cozy sweaters, and joyful giggles... December has tiptoed in at last the final, magical chapter of 2025! This month sparkles with celebrations from all around the world, each one filled with love, tradition, and togetherness. Tiny Thinkers sends warm, shimmering wishes to all who celebrate Hanukkah, Winter Solstice, Christmas Day, Kwanzaa, Ramadan, Diwali, or any special holiday your family holds close. May your season be bright, joyful, and safe. As we glide into this festive month, we want to gently remind our Tiny Thinkers families about the fun and exciting events we have planned. If your family is preparing for a holiday adventure, please let us know and kindly remember that Tiny Thinkers does not prorate tuition for vacation time.

We would also like to share a heartfelt thank-you with all the parents, family members, and friends who supported our annual food drive with such generosity. Your kindness, enthusiasm, and those extra magical touches truly make every event sparkle for our little learners.

Here are some of the delightful happenings we have planned:

#### 1. Wrapped Book Surprise

Our magical wrapped-book tradition is back! Please send a wrapped book for your child to receive from our jolly special guest Santa.

Label: To: (Child's First & Last Name), From: Santa

Due Date: Thursday, 12/18/2025

If your family is unable to participate, just let the office know we'll make sure every Tiny Thinker receives a gift. Donations of extra wrapped books (labeled "From: Santa") are always welcome. Thank you for spreading the cheer!

#### 2. Holiday Program & Santa's Visit

Our Holiday Program is just around the corner, and we can't wait to fill the morning with music, magic, and merry memories! This year, we are delighted to welcome families to attend in person. Due to limited space, we kindly ask that only two family members per child join us for the celebration.

Date: Friday, 12/19/2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Locations: Tiny Thinkers North Hills students will walk to visit our neighbors at New Horizons.

Tiny Thinkers Canoga Park will hold their program inside the children's classrooms.

Please remember to bring your child's wrapped and labeled book, as Santa will be joining us to share smiles, hand out gifts, and take a cheerful holiday photo with each Tiny Thinker. If you would like to volunteer during the event, please let your child's teacher know volunteers help make the magic happen!

#### 3. Holiday Potluck Celebration

Our Tiny Thinkers will enjoy a festive Holiday Potluck on Tuesday, 12/23/2025. A sign-up sheet will be shared one week beforehand so families can choose a dish to bring. Please have all food items delivered before 11:00 AM so our cheerful feast can begin right on time.

#### 4. Christmas Eve – Early Dismissal

On Wednesday, 12/24/2025, school will close promptly at 2:00 PM. Please arrive on time to avoid the late pick-up fee of \$1.00 per minute.

#### 5. Christmas Day & Day After – School Closed

Tiny Thinkers will be closed on Thursday, 12/25/2025, and Friday, 12/26/2025 in celebration of Christmas and to give our families a little extra holiday rest. Classes will resume on Monday, 12/29/2025.

#### New Year's Eve – Early Dismissal

On Wednesday, 12/31/2025, school will close at 2:00 PM. Please plan accordingly for timely pick-up.

#### 7. New Year's Day & Day After - School Closed

We will be closed on Thursday, 1/1/2026, and Friday, 1/2/2026 to welcome the New Year with rest and celebration. School will reopen on Monday, 1/5/2026.

Wishing all of our Tiny Thinkers families a season filled with peace, wonder, and treasured memories.

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

#### Polar Express Experience – Santa Clarita History Center

- What: A festive, family-friendly Polar Express—themed photo event in front of the historic 125-year-old Mogul 1629 steam engine. Families can take professional photos (or use their own camera), tour the caboose, and enjoy reading *The Polar Express*. SCVNews.com+2Santa Clarita Magazine+2
- When: Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. City of Santa Clarita
- Where: Santa Clarita History Center, Saugus Train Station (William S. Hart Regional Park). <u>SCVNews.com</u>
- Cost: \$25 per group (up to 8 people) for professional photos. Santa Clarita Valley Signal+1

#### 18th Annual Family Literacy Festival – Santa Clarita Public Library

- What: A free, family literacy festival hosted by the Santa Clarita Public Library. This year's theme is "Books Under the Big Top," with Storytime, arts & crafts, performances, and interactive book-based activities. santaclarita.librarycalendar.com+1
- When: Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. santaclarita.librarycalendar.com
- Where: Old Town Newhall Branch of the Santa Clarita Public Library. santaclarita.librarycalendar.com
- Cost: Free.

#### **December Reminders:**

- Any items lost will be displayed every day. If items displayed are left unclaimed for over 2 weeks, they will be donated to a local church or social service agency.
- Please make sure to always visit our website or our parent board for any upcoming events posted in our monthly newsletter.
- Please make sure that any source of medication, such as Tylenol, Motrin, Pedialyte, antibiotics, or medication prescribed by a physician or doctor, is brought in its original container, and that the consent for medication form is filled out. Please refrain from packing medication in your child's bag without notifying the teacher.
- Please follow our 24-Hour Rule: any child who has shown signs of illness in the previous 24 hours may not attend class. If your child is not well enough to participate in all aspects of the daily schedule, please keep your child at home.
- Based on Licensing: CDSS, it is important to make sure that all children have a fitted crib sheet [28 in x 52 in (71.1 cm x 132 cm)] and a small blanket to use during naptime.

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. If you 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:

Theme: Winter, Music & Movement, Holiday' Around the World, Christmas

<u>Letter:</u> Pp, Uu, Dd Number: 15, 16, 17, 18

Color: Red, Light Blue, Purple

Shape: Rectangle, Rhombus; Pentagon

Cooking: Snowman Pudding Cups; Graham Cracker Gingerbread House,

<u>Science:</u> Water Xylophone; Fireworks in a glass Sight Words: Are & Now; Is & How; Find & This

Spanish Vocabulario: Frio, Invierno; Guitara, Amigos, Navidad, Navidad, Regalos

Canción en español: Si tu tienes muchas ganas de aplaudir, Arroz con Leche, Feliz Navidad

Songs: We are Thankful, Stomp and Clap, Merry Christmas

Sensory: Paper Bin; Dirt & Mud Experience

Outdoor Gross Motor Skills: Catch the Ball with your Partner; Sack Potato; Partner Kicking Recyclable Project: Toilet Paper Roll TURKEY, Aluminum Can DRUMS, Newspaper STOCKING

Montessori Practical Life Skill: How to put on a jacket

# Happy Birthday to everyone born in this month of December

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.



**Sum. 12/21/2025** Winter Season Begins

Fri. 12/19/2025 Holiday Program & Santa's Visit 10:00 am

Tues. 12/23/2025 Holiday Potluck 11:00 a.m.

Wed. 12/24/2025 Christmas Eve School Closes at 2 p.m.

Thurs. 12/25/2025-Fri. 12/26/25 Christmas Break School Closed Wed. 12/31/2025 New Years Eve School Closes at 2p.m.

