



Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church Nursery School

The Bear Facts

Director's Message



Wow, how the year has flown. I want to wish you all a happy and healthy 2012.

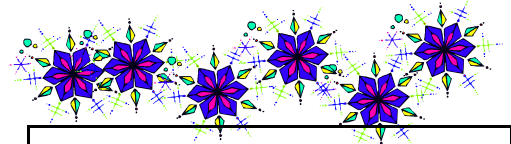
Old man winter is sure to raise his snowy head sometime this month or next. I want to remind you to review our policy regarding closings on pages 16-17 in the parent handbook. Please remember to send hats and mittens with your child as the teachers take the children out when it is cold.

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for January and February. Sign up sheets will be placed on the classroom door. Please note that each conference lasts 15 minutes. If your conference is over and you still have questions ask your teacher for another meeting. We have a truly remarkable staff here at Bradley Hills and they are more than willing to accommodate your needs. Please remember that conferences are for adults only and babysitting

arrangements should be made for siblings.

Check your child's calendar for any special events in January. School will be closed on Monday January 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day. We are looking forward to our annual Kaydee Puppet shows on the 25th, 26th and 27th. This year the children will be treated to a double-feature: "The Three Pigs" and "Rapunzel."

We are busy organizing classes for next year. We are in the process of going through all the applications, trying to accommodate as many applicants as possible. Acceptance/Wait List letters will be sent home by the end of January. If your child is applying to a private school for next year please put in any requests for letters of recommendation or evaluations as soon as possible. This will allow teachers ample time to thoughtfully prepare them.



THANK YOU!

All the staff would like to thank the Parents' Group for the beautiful poinsettias we received. They made festive additions to our homes and classrooms. BHPCNS parents are the best!



Finally, I want to thank the parents and children for the Christmas presents placed under our tree--Well over one hundred presents were donated. You helped make some child's Christmas happy. The community at BHPCNS is very generous and I thank you.

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Parents' Group Page

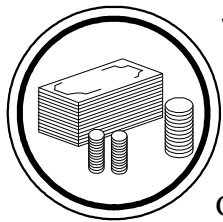
Dear Parents,

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break! Again, we would like to thank all the teachers and staff for their work putting together the Christmas program!

Just a few updates this month.



Our potty training seminar, hosted by Sally Neuberger, will be held on Thursday, February 2nd at 7pm. We will send out reminders as the date approaches.



We will be kicking off a new fundraiser in the next couple of months. A special thanks to Kimberly Sidhu for volunteering to head up this fundraiser. Information on this fundraiser will be coming soon.

We are also sponsoring a parenting class in the Spring. More details on this will be included in next month's newsletter.

Happy New Year!

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- ◆ Jan. 1 - Nathaniel Wagner
- ◆ Jan. 3 - Alex McCormick
- ◆ Jan. 3 - Joey McCormick
- ◆ Jan. 7 - Louisa Brown
- ◆ Jan. 7 - JP Welsh
- ◆ Jan. 8 - Paul Gandolfo
- ◆ Jan. 9 - Anne Butler
- ◆ Jan. 9 - Aubrie Chambers
- ◆ Jan. 9 - Jillian Reichard
- ◆ Jan. 15 - Allie Rhea
- ◆ Jan. 15 - Colten Thompson
- ◆ Jan. 16 - Jacob Strand
- ◆ Jan. 17 - Evie Stamos
- ◆ Jan. 20 - Lachlan Brodie
- ◆ Jan. 20 - Toby Magary
- ◆ Jan. 23 - Sam Pearce
- ◆ Jan. 24 - Brody William
- ◆ Jan. 25 - Nodoka Saita



Directory Corrections:



On page 17 under Gray, Brendan - correct 1st email address listed to bridgetbgray@gmail.com

On page 20 under Kim, Jake - new address is 12210 Greenbriar Branch Drive, Potomac, 20854

On page 28 under Rose, Kira - correct email address is jjrose2@verizon.net

Wait Don't Throw That Out!



That's right, before you throw it out, think can Nursery School use it? Some of the items we are in constant need of are **baby food** & small peanut butter jars (with lids); oatmeal canisters; frozen juice containers; and cardboard rolls (from toilet paper, paper towels or wrapping paper).

Pop tabs from cans are also an ongoing collection project. These are collected and turned over to the Boy Scouts. They in turn turn them over to the Ronald McDonald house which recycles them as a fundraiser.

New on the list of trashy items are metal caps---the kind that come on some bottled sodas and most other bottled "adult" beverages. These are for a elementary school in Alexandria City.

Curious about those "Boxtops for Education" ---Bring them in too and we'll be sure to get them to a school that uses them.

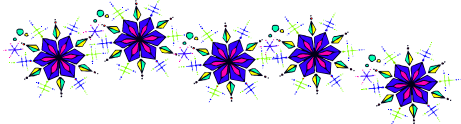
We have been collecting ink jet and toner cartridges as well as cell phones. **We are now collecting SMALL ELECTRONICS and Jewelry!** This includes cell phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, MP3 players and more! So, if you upgraded over the holidays, bring us your old stuff!





Science

Mrs. Mac & Cheese



Aa, aa, aaa-CHOO!!!! Germs and how we spread them will be our topic this month. We'll learn how germs make us sick and what we can do to keep those pesky little critters out of our bodies.

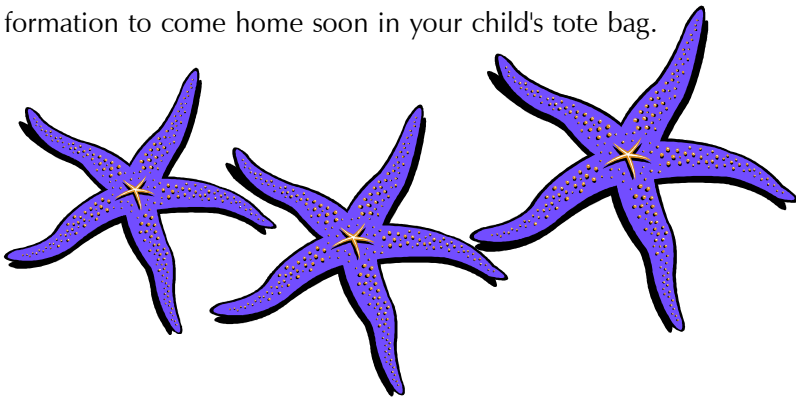
Registration Update

Acceptance and Waiting List letters for the 2012/13 school year will be sent home by the end of January. We have received a good number of applications and it looks like we'll have a full house next year. Thanks go to all the teachers for making Bradley Hills a place where children (and their parents) want to be.

Speaking of 2012/13: Tuition for the new school year will be finalized at the Nursery School Board meeting, January 11. The new rates will be reflected in the acceptance letters.

Make those CAMP plans NOW!

It's never too early to wonder how you're going to entertain your little one all summer long. Let us help you get off to an easy start! Shimmering Starfish, Dancing Dolphins, Frolicking Flounders and more will go on adventures both under the sea and at the beach---All done BHPCNS style! Your child will have a great camp experience full of crafts, games, songs and good old-fashioned fun. Camp will run Mondays through Thursdays, 9 a.m. till noon, the weeks of June 11, 18 and 25. Look for information to come home soon in your child's tote bag.



Nursery School Calendar

- ♦ **Jan. 2 (Mon.)** - TUITION DUE
- ♦ **Jan. 3 (Tues.)** - Classes resume; Music for TTh 3's & rooms 107 & 108 2's
- ♦ **Jan. 4 (Wed.)** - Science for MWF 3's & 4's
- ♦ **Jan. 5 (Thurs.)** - Science for TTh 3's & MTWThF 4's
- ♦ **Jan. 6 (Fri.)** - Music for MWF 3's & MF 2's
- ♦ **Jan. 9 (Mon.)** - Aerobics for MF 2's & all 4's (except room 111)
- ♦ **Jan. 10 (Tues.)** - Aerobics for TTh 2's & 3's
- ♦ **Jan. 11 (Wed.)** - Music for W 2's, MWF 4's & room 103 4's
- ♦ **Jan. 12 (Thurs.)** - Music for rooms 111 & 117 2's and rooms 102 & 113 4's
- ♦ **Jan. 16** - **SCHOOL CLOSED** (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
- ♦ **Jan. 17 (Tues.)** - John Henry England performs for TTh 3's and 2's
- ♦ **Jan. 18 (Wed.)** - Aerobics for MWF 3's, Wed. 2's & room 111 4's
- ♦ **Jan. 19 (Thurs.)** - Literature for TTh 3's and room 102 4's; Parent/Teacher Conferences for room 117 TTh 2's
- ♦ **Jan. 20 (Fri.)** - Literature for MWF 3's; Parent/Teacher Conferences for room 117 MF 2's
- ♦ **Jan. 23 (Mon.)** - Literature for all 4's (except room 102)
- ♦ **Jan. 25-27** - KayDee Puppet Shows for all classes
- ♦ **Jan. 31 (Tues.)** - Vision Screening for TTh 3's & MTWThF 4's

Coming in February:

*Vision Screening Continues
Valentine Parties
Wildlife Ambassadors
Parent/Teacher Conferences
School Pictures*



Songs We Sing

A selection of songs & fingerplays we sing at Nursery School

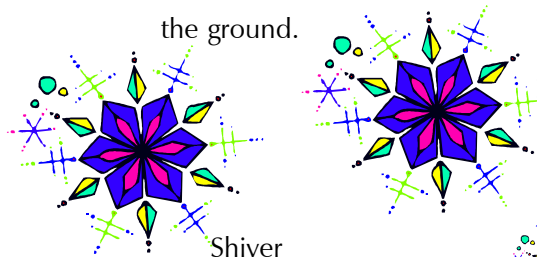
Snowman

I made a little snowman, he was so fat
and round,
I made him from a snowball I rolled
upon the ground.
I gave him eyes a nose and mouth, a
nice warm scarf of red,
I put some buttons on his vest and hat
upon his head.
Watch him while he melts down to
the ground.



Three Little Snowmen
(sing to the tune of "Three Blind Mice")
Three little snowmen, playing in the
snow, playing in the snow.
They all went out to have some fun.
The sun came out and melted one.
Did you ever see such a hot, hot sun?
Poor little snowman, poor little snow-
man.

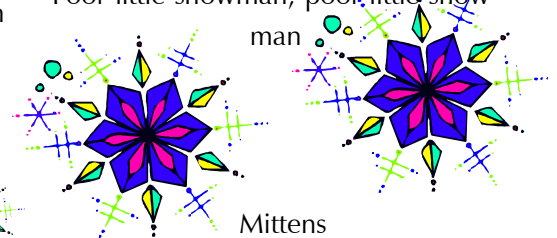
Two little snowmen...
One little snowman...
Poor little snowman, poor little snow-
man



Shiver

Shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver,
I always shiver when it's cold.
Shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver,
I always shiver when it's cold.
I get chattering teeth and frozen toes,
I get ten stiff fingers and a runny nose.
(sniff, sniff)
Shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver, shiver,
I always shiver when its cold.

Sleds
Here's a great big hill
With snow all over the sides.
Let's take our sleds up and down
the hill we'll slide!



Mittens

Thumbs in the thumb place,
fingers all together.
This is the song we sing in mitten
weather.
Doesn't matter whether they're
made of wool or leather.
Thumbs in the thumb place, fingers
all together.



Five Little Men All Made of Snow
Five little men all made of snow
Five little snowmen in a row
Out came the sun and it stayed all day.
One little snowman melted away.
Four little men all made of snow
Four little snowmen in a row...
Three little men...
Two little men...
One little man ...

