



# Parent Connection



## Happy New Year!

We hope this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and happy after our Holiday vacation and looking forward to the New Year. We will be busy studying winter around the world for this month. On January 15th (Thursday) and 16th (Friday) we will also be celebrating A. A. Milne's (author of Winnie the Pooh) birthday, by hibernating (as most bears do this time of year) in our pajamas, and bringing our favorite stuffed bears (Kangas, Tiggers, and all other animals are welcome) for sharing time.

### Noteworthy News

Jan 8/9th: January Birthdays Party

Jan 15/16: A. A. Milne's Birthday-- Bring your PJs and bear (or other favorite stuffed animal) for sharing.

Jan 19: No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday

Jan 9 & 23: Nerf Skirmish, 7 and up, 6-8 pm

Jan 28: Kids in the Kitchen, 5-8 yr olds, 1-4:00pm

### A Note of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for a wonderful 2014. We look forward to a great 2015 as well. Thank you for all of your support!

### What's New

In December Ms. Katie graduated from WSU. Although we will miss her, we would like to extend a warm welcome to our new MWF AM Assistant, Ms. Aleshia Jones!

As a new semester begins we will have a new crop of WSU volunteers joining us in the classrooms. Please note that they are here strictly to interact under supervision with the children and are not at any time left alone in the company of the children.

### Teacher Reminder

Due to winter weather conditions we require that all children wear boots and hats in order to go outside. If the temperature outside is below 24 degrees or the wind is howling and it is just plain miserable we will not be going out. Please dress your child appropriately so we can all enjoy the snowy winters of Pullman. Don't forget to label clothes!

*If Pullman School District cancels school for the day due to inclement weather, then preschool classes will also be cancelled.*

**SCHOOL DELAYS DO NOT APPLY**

### Curriculum Corner

This month our theme is Winters Around the World. We will talk about winter in Pullman as well as winters in places such as the North Pole, Australia, and Antarctica. We started seeing social and emotional growth in December, and will continue to help the children try new activities, and peer interactions.

Throughout the month we will also discuss the importance of proper hand-washing, and snack etiquette.

