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EXETER DAY SCHOOL

# November News

## Happy

## Thanksgiving



### From the Principal



I want to begin by thanking all of our families for being so conscientious about keeping children home who are not well. I am also pleased with the fact that the children are covering their coughs and washing their hands so automatically. So far, we have not had any more illness in the school than we usually do this time of year. However, in the past week we have had several children out with "the flu". Doctors are not testing for H1N1 but we are hearing that the regular flu is not out yet so any flu type illness is probably H1N1. Please keep all children home who have fever, cough, and headaches. These seem to be the most prevalent signs of the flu. Children should stay home for one full week after the first symptoms appear.

We have been having wonderfully warm days this past week but the cold days are coming. It will be quite chilly on the playground. Please remember to label all clothing. When shopping for outdoor wear keep in

mind that two piece snow suits work much better than one piece, gloves are very difficult for most children so please send them with mittens and you'll want boots that they can get on and off by themselves.

Thank you to everyone who sent in items from our Giving Tree. You were all so generous.

If you bring your child in late or pick them up early you must sign in or out at the office. The sign in/out book is outside the office door. If you drop off, write the sign-in time and if you pick up write in the sign-out time.

The school closes at 4:15 so all children should be picked from late day pick-up by 4:15. Anyone remaining after 4:15 will be charged a \$5.00 late fee.

### Parent Center

November is parent/teacher conference month. The school was closed for students on Tuesday, Nov. 10th. Some teachers have several classes and will need to conference on an additional day. There *will be* school for students on the other days with substitutes in the classrooms.

**Registration will open on Dec. 2th for next year's 3-Day four year old morning classes.** All other classes are open now. You may register your four year old for a 3-day afternoon class to hold a spot and then switch to mornings on Dec. 2nd if you want to

secure a spot in the school.

If your child meets the age cut-off you may register for 4 day or 5 day class now. You can talk to your child's teacher during conferences if you need guidance in making the decision. This is most helpful if you are considering giving your child an extra year before kindergarten.

If you have a younger child and did not received registration information please give us a call.

Proofs for the Holiday photos will be here Friday, Nov. 13th.

### Happy Birthday

We have several staff members celebrating birthdays this month.

Happy Birthday to:

- Mrs. Moreau
- Mrs. Anderson turns 50!!!
- Mrs. Harden
- Mrs. Al-Hashmi

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### The Giving Tree

- pipe cleaners (not sparkly)
- magnetic tape
- Bounty paper towels
- google eyes





## Out of the Mouths of Babes

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Classes were discussing fire safety and a boy said he had a fire extinguisher in his “upstairs basement.”

Mrs. Daigle held up a clothespin as asked what it was. “A clipper” a child responded. “Who do you do with them?” “You use them as handles!”

A girl was sitting on a playground ball. She asked Mrs. Styles “What am I sitting on?” Thinking that she was pretending, Mrs. Styles guessed, “Are you a bird sitting on an egg?” “No. This is a ball... now lets try it again!”

We have several boys named Ryan this year. Trying to explain which Ryan the child was talking about he told his teacher, “You know, the Ryan that lives here!”

Ms. A’s class was singing a song about traffic lights “... and yellow means go slow.” A child informed the classes “My daddy goes really fast through yellow lights!”

A boy playing in the dress up area was heard to say “I’m going to be a big

boy sister.”

Ms. A said “Oh, my goodness!” in response to someone. She was told that “O is a letter not a word!”

Out on the playground a helicopter was flying overhead to the hospital. A child declared that it was a “motorcycle in the sky.”

A girl told Ms. A, “I am going to be a doctor and a baseball team!”

A child’s mother came in to the classroom. Another child told her, “You look exactly different!”

On picture day I asked a girl if she brought her smile with her, “Yes, and my teeth came with it!” she replied.

## Parents Committee

The Innisbrook fundraiser was successful as usual. Thank you to all who participated. If you have any questions about your order please call Kirsten Lord at 772-3647

T-shirts/sweatshirts orders have been submitted. I will let you know when we have a ship date.

Unfortunately, we will not be entering a float in this year’s Exeter Parade. Everyone has busy schedules and no one was available to chair this committee.

Parents Committee will be having a cookie swap in December. Look for more information at a later date.

## Board of Directors

The Board is hosted our annual pot luck dinner on Friday, November 6th. We did not have the turnout that we usual have for this event so we are attributing it to the fact that we switched it to a Friday this year. We will go back to a Thursday next year. It was nice to see those of you who came. This is always a very enjoyable evening at the Day School.

**I will be posting the slide show on the web site in the near future.**

## From the Office

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The extracurricular programs for Rhythm of the World classes are Friday Dec. 12th and Monday Dec. 15th at 12:00 p.m.

Keep in mind that extended care is available during this busy time of year. You may sign your child up for a day or two to free yourself up for holiday shopping, cooking etc. Give us a call to sign them up. All ages may attend the extended care programs.

We still have a few openings in the

Babes on Stage class and Cooking class that begins in January. Please contact the school if you would like to enroll your child.



Mr. Lassonde still has availability for piano lessons on Tuesdays. If your child is at least four years old and you are interested please give him a call at 759-3443

## Special Events

### Speech Screenings



Nov. 16th and 17th

If you would like your child screened for speech or please send in your forms ASAP.

Holiday music programs with Mr. Lassonde are going to be Dec. 18th for our day classes and Dec. 18th for 3 and 5 day classes and Dec. 17th for the four day class. They will be during their regular school day. Specific times will go home later.

2-Day classes will have Holi-

## Mark Your Calendars



## Special Delivery



### Slipper Days

As our kick off to the winter season we will be having "Slipper Days" on Nov. 12 and 13. Children should bring slippers to wear to school that day and leave here for the winter to wear when they take their boots off. Please send in slippers that are easy for the children to get on and off themselves and easy to walk around in.

day Receptions in the classrooms on Dec. 17th.



### CONGRATULATIONS ....

to Marc and Jessica Dettore for the birth of their daughter, Caitlin Elizabeth. Big brother Michael is in Mrs. Daigle's Eagle class.

To Erik and Sarah Anderson for the birth of their son Reid Olds. Big

### November



Nov. 6– Pot Luck Dinner  
Nov. 10– Parent/Teacher Conferences  
(No school for students)  
Nov. 11– NO SCHOOL-Veteran's Day  
Nov. 12 & 13– Slipper Days  
Nov. 25-27– Thanksgiving Break

### December



Dec. 2— Registration for three-day 4 year old morning classes for current families.  
Dec. 11– Rhythm of the World program for Friday class.  
Dec. 14- Rhythm of the World program for Monday class.  
Dec. 17 - 4– Day Program, receptions for 2– day classes  
Dec. 18– 3 and 5 Day Holiday programs  
Dec. 21-Jan 1– Winter Break