



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Stages Theatre**  
February 3 & 4  
(older students only)

**No School**  
February 5  
ELEA Teacher Workshop

February 15  
Presidents Day

**Parent/Teacher  
Conferences**  
March 4 & 5

**Spring Break**  
March 29-April 4  
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Happy  
Valentines Day!  
February 14



# NORMANDALE PRESCHOOL

## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



**Join Normandale Preschool as  
we Support *Outreach Asia***

Normandale Preschool will be offering their support to Outreach Asia in the months of February and March of 2010. Outreach Asia is an organization founded by Mike and Gina Peck, one of our very own preschool families. Their mission is to improve the lives of the least fortunate in developing countries in Southeast Asia. Outreach Asia focuses their efforts on child and educational sponsorships, classroom needs, housing, water systems, livelihood programs and medical assistance.

In **February & March** we are asking students and families to bring new or gently used PENCILS, PENS, PENCIL SHARPENERS, CRAYONS, ERASERS, RULERS, CHILDREN'S SCISSORS and PLAIN COPY PAPER to help students as they learn in school.

Stop by the hallway display to learn more about our school project. Visit [www.outreachasia.org](http://www.outreachasia.org) for further opportunities available through Outreach Asia. Thank you for helping Normandale Preschool reach out to those most in need and to Mike and Gina Peck for all they do in the lives of children and families throughout the world.

### **January Fun**

In January many students wore their brightly colored pajamas as they celebrated Pajama Day! Several classrooms held a Teddy Bear Picnic



## TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

A picnic together  
With snow outside  
Is fun!



*The Snowy Day*  
by  
Ezra Jack Keats

where students had fun eating a special snack while holding their favorite stuffed teddy bear! Our oldest students worked together to make a yummy fruit salad and no one went hungry on the day students made home-made butter which they spread on toast and washed down with a cup of warm hot cocoa. We certainly kept busy in January! *(Below: Mrs. Griswold's class enjoys time with their teddy bears.)*



## Field Trip

### **THE SNOWY DAY** By: Ezra Jack Keats

Older preschool students will be going on a field trip to see *The Snowy Day* at Stages Theater at the beautiful Hopkins Center for the Arts. We anticipate much excitement as we ride the school bus to see this fun production.

#### **A few reminders before our fieldtrip**

Students must return their permission slips in order to attend the play. On February 3rd Mrs. Jarvis and Mrs. Griswold's p.m. classes should arrive to school at 11:15 a.m. and meet in the Fellowship Hall. Please eat lunch before you arrive.

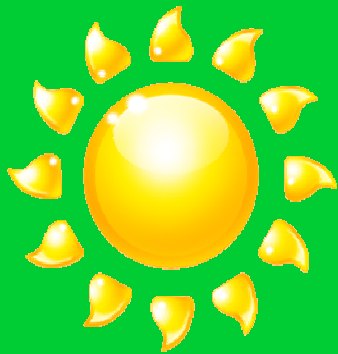
On February 4th Mrs. Koenig, Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Wroge's morning classes should arrive at 8:45 a.m. and go directly to their classrooms.

Don't forget to sign up for lunch/extended care if your morning student wishes to stay for the day.

Fun all day at  
Normandale Preschool!



SUMMER SUN



MANY HELPING HANDS  
AT NORMANDALE  
PRESCHOOL

Upon return, after checking in with your student's teacher, parents may take their child home from school.

## BITS AND PIECES

- Welcome Patty Crater and Pia Martello who, in February, begin their first term on the Normandale Preschool Committee.
- Our licensing requires that all snacks be purchased and not home made. When bringing juice for snack, bottles must be unopened.
- Thank you for parking only in designated areas and not by the curb being watchful of children who dart quickly to and from buildings and cars.
- Lunch for afternoon students begins at 11:45 a.m. Teachers need time to say goodbye to their morning students before our afternoon children arrive.
- Students may arrive 5 minutes before the start of school. Thank you for being considerate of the Normandale staff as they prepare for class.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### **Summer Camp Registration Begins in February**

Join us this summer for a fun filled outdoor adventure. Choose to come to one or all three weeks of summer fun! Classes run 9-1 Monday through Friday.

June 1-4      Bugs & An Adventure in Nature  
(Tuesday through Friday due to the holiday weekend)

June 7-10      Dinosaurs

June 14-17      Western Week

Registration forms can be found on line after February 14, 2010

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO...

**Virginia Faloon & Carol Uppgaard**, thank you for volunteering each week in our preschool classrooms. Our students benefit greatly from your help and wisdom!