

February 2017



Dear Parents,

January was a busy month settling back into a routine after the holidays. The children had lots of fun learning about winter and playing in the snow on the days that were warm enough for us to get outside.

For the month of February, we will be focusing on friends and families. As part of this process we will be reading stories, singing songs and doing art related activities. During this time the children will be making each other valentines as well as, for their families. Please have your child wear red, pink or purple colors on Valentine's Day, February 14, for their class party. If your child does not attend on this day, he/she is welcome to bring in his/her valentines at any time prior to that.

Additionally, it looks like winter is here to stay so we will try to get outside and enjoy the snow before spring finally arrives.

Our Cold Weather Policy is as follows:

In the case of extreme cold weather, the daycare will close only when the elementary school we are in closes. Outdoor play is essential to a child's development and is part of our daily program. Children will be expected to have suitable clothing and be in suitable health to participate in outdoor play. In cold weather the amount of time the children spend outdoors is reduced. Children are kept indoors on days when the temperature is extremely cold (-14 with no wind-chill). We ensure that all children are dressed in the proper protective clothing.

Until next month,

REMINDERS:

- **We will be closed on Monday, February 20 for the Family Day holiday. If your child will not be attending that week please let Michelle know, so we can adjust scheduling as needed.**
- **Tax Receipts will be available February 28/17.**
- If you will be requiring childcare over the summer, please speak with Michelle.

The Staff of Mother Nature's Preschool