



Purple Room Newsletter
December 2017

December will be full of warmth and cheer in the Purple Room!
The children are very excited about the holiday gifts and cards they will be creating for all of you. We are talking about the element of surprise and that it is fun and okay to keep a *good* secret. Shhhhh.....

It seems we are always trying to catch that gingerbread man! We will compare and contrast different versions of "The Gingerbread Man" story, and sequence the events. Our sensory table will take on the look and scent of a bakery, with gingerbread mix, cookie cutters and baking tools. Hands on activities will include cinnamon play dough with gingerbread man mats and accessories and lacing and decorating a gingerbread man take home project. More fun will be had when we go on a scavenger hunt throughout the school! We will follow clues in search of that quick fellow. A favorite tradition, we will decorate our own graham cracker gingerbread houses, sure to be a special addition to your holiday décor. Please watch for your candy ticket, which will indicate the item your child wishes to donate. We ask that items be in *by Monday, December 11th*. Thank you!

Our last days before the holiday break will be all fun and games. The children will enjoy playing games in small groups, such as Chutes and Ladders, Zingo, Candy Land, encouraging taking turns and patience. The children will have opportunities to easel paint with bell adorned brushes, explore magnets and bells, bead pipe cleaner ornaments, discover treasures in ice with eyedroppers and water, create salt dough ornaments, just to name a few festive activities.

We would like to thank you for coming in to meet with us during conference week last month. It was nice to see you all and it gave us the opportunity to give you a closer look at your child's growth and interests. It is so important to have strong communication between home and school. We are so enjoying this class!

Baby, it's cold outside! Please be sure to send your child into school with a warm jacket, hat, gloves, boots, and snow pants (when needed). If it is possible, it may help to keep a second set of boots and snow pants at school. We go out to the playground most days.

Warmest wishes to you and yours for a delightful holiday season and Happy New Year~
Meredith and Ann

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| Dates: | 12/1 Yoga | 12/14 Holiday Story Time 4pm with Pastor Allison |
| | 12/8 Movie Night at SNS | 12/22 Last Day before Holiday Break |
| | 12/11 Music | 1/2 School Reopens |