



HAPPY NEW YEAR! JANUARY 2017

Greetings to everyone! hope and pray that all of you had a safe and restful Christmas & New Year's break. I had the blessing of celebrating the season with my family in CT. † was a great time. I am so thankful. :)

Here are a few highlights that are on the calendar for January:

- **REGISTRATION** begins on **January 9** for our 2017/2018 school year We have a **2 week/Priority Registration Period** for our existing families, alumni/returning families and families from our church. Anyone can sign up on January 9, but you will be prompted on-line if you are a *currently enrolled, returning alumni or new family*. Those who are new will not actually be plugged in until January 23 because that is when we open up registration to the public. So please **don't hesitate to register!** We've had a lot of interest this fall/winter and have given multiple tours to families interested in joining us. We want to give you and our returning families' priority to plug into the classes first. Last year, our morning classes were full within 2.5 weeks!
- **MS Regina** from the Wethersfield library will be visiting our 4s and Pre-K classes monthly for songs, games and stories. Dates: January 18, February 8, March 8, and April 19. These classes will end the year with a visit to the library. (details to come)
- **Lockdown drills** will be practiced on January 19 and 20. We refer to them as "hiding drills" to the children because we do not want them to ever be afraid. They continue to "hide" as a class in their designated spots until I "find" them. We end the month with fire drills on January 30 & 31.
- **EXTENDED SESSIONS/ABOVE AND BEYOND BEGIN Wednesday, January 4**
 - It's not too late to register for our monthly extended sessions. I know when you are in the 'vacation mode' that you might forget to register. You may register now on-line or in person. Just go to Pat's window to register if you prefer to register in person. Extended begins on January 4 and ends on January 31. These enrichment classes are so much fun and the lunch bunch fee is included in the price of each session. Please sign-up today!
 - Don't forget that Lunch Bunch and Early Morning Drop-off are available for you in the morning and scheduled Late Pick-up in the afternoon!
- **PRESCHOOL EXPO January 11 @ Rocky Hill Library 6:00- 7:30.** Spread the word to your family and friends to come see what we are doing at First Church Preschool!
- **Reminder to check your classroom calendars** for your child's classroom activities. It will always be the most current information.

Warmly, Vickie