

# PLATO ACADEMY

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER

### DECEMBER 22, 2017

ANNNNNND... 2017 IS A WRAP! We hope that everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Happy December birthday to Jaylen! Each student is bringing home a gift bag. There are some for them and some for families.

It has been an awesome first part of our school year! We were commenting to each other how much the students have changed since that first week. We want to take time to thank you as parents for all of your help for instilling a sense of happiness and curiosity in your children. And for gently pushing them even if they say they don't want to come some days. They are gentle, respectful, loving, and caring members of our Plato community! All of the classes really enjoy seeing them around the school. We can't wait for the rest of the year to grow even more!

We have been getting comments from all over the school about our awesome performance last week at the Holiday Program. The boys and girls were so great and we are so proud of them! Thank you again for your assistance by practicing our songs outside of school. One event earlier that week that we think may have helped them with the experience of going onstage was a play that we saw at the Prairie Lakes facility. It was about Christmas and geared for young children. It wasn't too long and they were able to be audience members and see what a full size stage looked like. We hope to see more performances this year!

This week has been a winding down period for us and we have enjoyed having full exploration times without extra rehearsals. We baked cookies and worked on family gifts. We have a light table which enables us to explore with light, shadows, color, etc. IF YOU HAVE ANY OLD X-RAYS, PLEASE SEND THEM TO SCHOOL AND WE WILL SEE HOW THEY LOOK.

Since the class was still in the performing mood, we took the time on Wednesday to sing Christmas carols to the rest of the school. It was fun! Ms. Noel will try to put one of the videos on Shutterfly and watch for one on the Plato Facebook page.

WISHLIST. The below items are wanted for future various activities in the classroom. This list is for items that you may have around the house and don't use anymore. It is not intended for a family to go out and buy them new:

Old X-rays

Cream of tartar (for playdough)

Please contact us with any questions or concerns. Texting is best since we can usually reply quicker.

Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's life!

Again, we hope you have a great Winter Break and we return to school on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Ciao!

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