

# **Growing with Grace**

Director's Newsletter



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Happy New Year and Welcome Back! We hope everyone enjoyed some long awaited celebrations with family and friends during the holidays. Grace Weekday Preschool was bustling with activity during Advent, including:

\*3-and-4-Year-Old Christmas Pageant...The children made a joyful noise filling the sanctuary with beautiful songs, as they told the story of Baby Jesus' birth. It was special to have family members in attendance.

\*Class Parties....a big thank you to those who helped to make extra special celebrations for the children.

\*Teacher Luncheon...The staff greatly enjoyed the delicious foods provided for our Christmas Luncheon in December. Thank you for your time in providing the goodies! We hope you had a wonderful holiday and we are looking forward to a wonderful 2024!

#### \*Music & More

Every Tuesday, 12:30—2:00 p.m., January 16th—April 16th. This extended day opportunity is open to students in our 4-year-old classes. At this time we only have 6 children signed up and we need 8 to run the program. The fee is \$140. Please come sign up!

#### \*Fitness & Fun

Every Thursday, 12:30—2:00 p.m., beginning January 18th—April 18th. This extended day opportunity is open to students in our 4-year-old classes. Come get fit with Ms. Manahl and Mrs. Scruby. The fee is \$140.



### \*\*Appropriate Dress\*\*

Winter has arrived!!! Children need to have appropriate outerwear!

Parents...please remember to send your child to school with a warm coat, hat, and mittens. We want everyone to enjoy grossmotor play outside and we want everyone to stay healthy! Also, please update their spare clothes bag in the classroom with warmer clothing.



#### **Inclement Weather**

The possibility of snow, ice, and other inclement weather conditions means the possibility of school closures or delays. If Fairfax County Public Schools (FPCS) are closed, GWP is closed. A delayed opening means GWP will open at 11:00 with a 1:00 dismissal. On these days, in lieu of sending in a snack, you may send in a small lunch for your child. Please refer to local TV, radio stations, Facebook, or go to www.fcps.edu for FCPS information. \* Please check your email for any last minute changes.\*



## \*2024-2025

## Registration...

Registration for the '24-'25 school year will open to current families on January 22 and to the public on January 29. Look for extended hours options\* at the 3-and-4-year-old levels! \*Pending expected Fairfax County approval