

NEWSLETTER



Central Co-Op Nursery School Winter 2023/2024

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2023/2024

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Please feel free to reach out to members of the Board with any questions or concerns you might have.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

Find us on Social Media:



Central Cooperative Nursery School



@centralcoopnurseryschool





Letter from the Director

Suzanne Dionne | director@centralcoop.org

I would like to thank everybody for making this year so wonderful! Our amazing Teachers, the incredible Board of Directors, our families and of course the children. I am amazed at how seamlessly they have adjusted to all of the new routines and procedures. Thank you again for all of your patience and understanding when the church was dealing with the boiler issue.

We have had a successful first couple of months. The children, as I mentioned, have been nothing short of spectacular. They have learned about themselves, their friends and are now learning about all that fall has to offer! The teachers have kept them busy with fall scavenger hunts, math games, developing their fine motor strength with Play-Doh, painting and we have even been able to sneak in a couple of enrichment programs!!

Please check your FaceBook group daily to have a sneak peek into the classroom!!

We all had a great time celebrating Halloween... The teachers had special party games in their rooms and the kids had a blast! Thank you to all of the families who came to the Halloween Bash. It was so much fun! A huge thanks to our amazing volunteers and teachers for all of their help with setting up, serving and cleaning up!

The weather is getting chilly and we will be going out as long as it is not raining or too cold!! We will be going out if it is colder than 32 as long as it does not pose a health threat. The fresh air is very important in our fight against germs and we want to be sure to get as much outside time as possible. Please be sure to dress your child appropriately for the weather and have hats, mittens, boots and proper winter jackets. Please label all items to avoid items ending up in the wrong backpacks or being lost.

We were sad to have missed our Thanksgiving concerts and feasts but are looking forward to celebrating the holidays with our favorite preschoolers. Please be on the lookout for classroom party sign ups on the Facebook pages/emails. We will have our winter concerts December 21 and 22 at 11:15.

January 1, 2024 we will open registration for the 24-25 school year! Current families have priority until February 1 when we open registration to the public. If your child will be heading off to Kindergarten in the fall, registration will be in January for that as well. I will post dates when I have the information

Thank you all for all you are doing and have done to make this year so enjoyable! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me!

Suzanne
director@centralcoop.org or 978-758-2679



As we head into cold and flu season, please be mindful of sick children. We try hard to maintain healthy classrooms and can only do so if you keep your child home if they're showing signs of sickness.

Upcoming *Holiday* Concerts



With the holiday season upon us, our students are excited to WOW their family members with their singing skills during our scheduled holiday concerts!

We ask that parents and family members stand in the audience and watch the performances through their entirety and remain standing in the audience as our teachers and staff usher the children off the stage and back to their classes.

This will hopefully allow for the transition to be less chaotic for our students and help us keep them together in their groups.

THANK YOU!

Looking to get involved in the School?

There will be FOUR positions available on the Board of Directors for the next school year:



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- **President**
- **Fundraising**
- **Newsletter**
- **Maintenance** (Currently open position as well)

Reach out with any questions and mark your calendar for the open board meeting on 1/9/2024 at 7:30pm!

All are welcome to attend the Open Board Meeting. We would love to see and hear from fellow Co-op families!



Amazon Wish List



We recently launched a school-wide Amazon wish list of items that will directly benefit your children and our classrooms.

There is no pressure to contribute; however, the below QR link will direct you to the updated list



Scan me!

THANK YOU!

Shutterfly®

A portion of your total will be automatically donated to the Co-op, simple as that!!

Use this link:


Centralcoop.shutterflystorefront.com

Important Dates

December 2023













Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Tuition Due (6 th of 10 payments)	2
3	4	5	6	7 HAPPY Hanukkah 12/7-12/15 	8 SANTA FUND Gifts due today! 	9
10	11 Library Story Time 	12 Library Story Time 	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Festive/Ugly Sweater Day 	20 Festive/Ugly Sweater Day 	21 Holiday Concert 11:15 	22 Holiday Concert 11:15 	23 Winter Break 12/23-1/1 *NO School*
24/ 31 Winter Break 12/23- 1/1 *NO School*	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS 	26 HAPPY KWANZA 	27 Winter Break 12/23- 1/1 *NO School*	28 Winter Break 12/23- 1/1 *NO School*	29 Winter Break 12/23- 1/1 *NO School*	30 Winter Break 12/23- 1/1 *NO School*

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Happy New Year! 	1 Tuition Due (7 th of 10 payments) New Years Day *No School*	2 Back to School !! Registration begins for current families	3	4	5	6

7	8 Raffle Tickets go on SALE !! 	9 OPEN Board Meeting 7:30pm PJ Day 	10 PJ Day 	11	12	13
14	15 Martin Luther King Day *No School*	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Tuition Due (8 th of 10 payments) Registration Opens for new families	2	3
4	5 Dental Presentation  Daily Raffle Drawings START !! 2/5 - 2/16 	6 Dental Presentation  	7 	8 	9 	10
11	12 	13 Happy Birthday Mrs. Brackett 	14 	15 	16 Last Day of Raffle Drawings 	17
18	19 February Break *NO School*	20 February Break *NO School*	21 February Break *NO School*	22 February Break *NO School*	23 February Break *NO School*	24 February Break *NO School*
25	26	27	28	29		

Gift Card Raffle



Our gift card raffle is returning this year! We originally planned for this exciting fundraiser to be completed before the holidays, but we have decided to push it into the new year. Keep an eye out of raffle ticket sales and information!

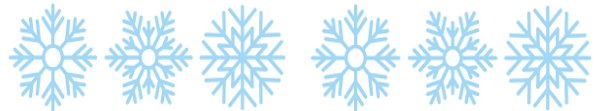
- Tickets go on Sale: **January 8th**
- Daily Drawings: **February 5th-16th**



Calendar Notes



ALL students will be picked up on **12/22** after the morning session and immediately following the holiday concert, **NO FULL DAY CLASSES ON THIS DAY.**



Please keep an eye on the weather as we enter into Winter!

- If Chelmsford Public cancels the day due to snow, Co-op will also be **CLOSED**
- If Chelmsford Public delays 2 hours due to snow, morning classes will be cancelled and full day drop off will be at 11am
- Keep an eye out for the class Facebook page, as we will post pertinent information regarding weather updates as well!

PRESCHOOL



Registration

If you have a returning student, Suzanne will start collecting your completed paperwork (packet will go home before the holiday vacation) on **1/2/2024** for the next school year.

Space for next year is limited and registration opens to the public on **February 1, 2024**



Huge SHOUTOUT to **Fernald Landscaping** for stepping in and building a small staircase in the new retaining wall on the playground. This new step will allow the children to access the new outdoor classroom section of the playground once completed !!



Important Note about Snacks

- All snacks and lunch items **MUST** be peanut and tree-nut **FREE**
- This includes items that “may contain” peanuts/tree nuts and items that were “processed in a facility” as peanuts and tree nuts
- **WHEN IN DOUBT, LEAVE IT OUT**



THANK YOU!!

Helpful Snack and Lunch Reminder

- Cutting foods lengthwise provides the safest shapes for our students
- Please consider this when packing food



Appropriate Dress

- Please dress your child in layers or send a sweatshirt in their backpack. We will be trying to keep windows open throughout the day to increase air flow and go outside as much as possible.
- Send hats and warm mittens for outdoor play.
- Please **LABEL** all items



Please **REMEMBER** to
LABEL LABEL LABEL!!!



A portion of your order will automatically be donated back to the Co-op! Just use the link below:

www.oliverslabels.com/centralcoop

All items **MUST** be labeled to ensure everything is sent home to the right household. Items such as lunchboxes, water bottles, jackets, hats, mittens etc.