

Dear Parents, February 2015

Happy Groundhog Day!! Plan to go outside and look for your shadow with your child! Ask these questions: Is there a shadow today? Did it scare you? Or is that just silly? How does it move? Have fun!

The children are fascinated by our community helpers and have a lot of fun interacting with all the "props". This year we will have the fire department come and visit on February 9 at 10:00. The firefighters show us their equipment and give a tour of the truck. The main purpose of their visit is to help the children to not be afraid of the firemen. They are also reminded to call out for help in a fire and not to hide. Look for a reminder with the date. If the date is not your regular day, you may drop by with your child during the visit. (This is not a party day, if you want your child to stay all day, you will need to pay the drop-in fee of \$25)

At home you can talk about safety with your family. Check the smoke alarm (listen to it), look at your home from a child's point of view (on your knees) and see what hazards might be lurking. (plug covers, electric cords, space heaters, loose rugs, small items etc.) Talk with your child about how much you love them and you want them to be safe.

Another of our community helpers is doctors. Please remember to check our shot records. If you have had any shots since the beginning of PDO, please bring in a copy of your updated shot records. Your doctor can FAX them with *attention PDO* on the first page. 321-2087

We finish telling the story of *Noah and the Ark* this first week of February, then the walk with through Jesus' life begins. We will hear about Jesus' friends and how He died and rose again for all of us. Listen to your children tell you this wonderful Bible Truth.

Our Valentine Party on February 11. It will be from 10:00-11:00. <u>All</u> children are invited as well as any parent who would like to attend. The children can come and stay for the entire day. We will have games, a craft, a snack and a Valentine card exchange time. There will be a sign-up at each room for snacks and drinks. (If you have not had a turn to bring a snack or drinks, please let the teacher know so you will get first chance to sign-up) We ask when you send your valentines that you sign your child's name (or let the child), but do not individualize the recipient. You will be given the number of children in your class by your teacher. Please make at least one extra card in case of a drop-in.

<u>Fall pre-enrollment</u> begins, February 2, 2015 for all of you already in the program. Attached is the paperwork for next year.

Summer Enrollment is also attached the dates are Mondays: June 1, 15, 29, July 13, 27 & Aug. 10

May God bless you,

Your PDO family