

Winter 2023

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Happy 2023 to Our ECNS Families!

As we look to a new year and think about New Year Resolutions, our staff wants to share with our families that our goals of "Helping our children grow ... emotionally, socially, physically, intellectually, and spiritually" are the basis of what we do every day at ECNS as your children learn and play.

Wishing all our families a Happy and Blessed 2023!

Kathy Horning, Director



Classroom Goals for the New Year

2 year old playgroups:

- Mrs. Stoddard and Mrs. Vizcaino would like their playgroup to play together and share!
- Mrs. Elicker and Mrs. Ellison would like their playgroup to simply LOVE coming to preschool and have fun playing together!

3 year old classes:

- Mrs. Elicker and Mrs. Vizcaino would like their class to continue building their social skills during dramatic play.
- Mrs. Lelious and Mrs. Worman would like their class to continue to build a sense of "classroom community" by fostering friendships and social skills like sharing, asking, and waiting turns.





4 year old classes:

- Mrs. Horning and Mrs. Dearborn We are proud to announce the members of our zipper club has greatly increased in 2023!! Our winter goal is independence in dressing for winter weather and being responsible of winter items.
- Mrs. Schramm and Mrs. Gartley would like their class to work towards zipping their coats independently.
- Mrs. Reigle and Mrs. Ellison would like their class to work together as a community especially on tasks such as cleaning up the room after play.
- Mrs. Reigle and Mrs Lighty would like their class to enjoy more art experiences and explore their creativity!

NAEYC NOTES:

School Readiness:

As we prepare for conferences at preschool our teachers will be excited to share all the ways your child has grown and flourished. NAEYC has an informative article on school readiness which supports ECNS' philosophy of early learning. Check it out before you meet with your child's teacher.

https://www.naeyc.org/our-work/families/readinessnot-state-knowledge-state-mind



FAMILY TIME:

Looking for some nature inspired activities to do inside or outside? Check out <u>Littlepine Learners</u> for some new ideas. Find ice sculptures, snow gardens, and penguin rocks all in her suggested winter activities.





ECNS Board News

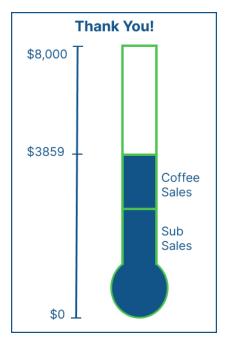
Recruiting New ECNS Board Members

The ECNS Board of Directors is looking to fill four vacancies for the 2023-24 school year. We welcome any family members, friends and community members to consider joining.

Our Board meets 5 times per school year (Sep, Nov, Jan, Mar, and May.) Each member is asked to serve a 3 year term and serve on one committee.

If you or someone you know would be interested in serving ECNS while benefitting our preschoolers, please contact the membership chairperson, Marj Stoddard (mstoddard@etowncns.org.)

Fundraisers & Events:



A big THANK YOU to all who participated in our Lancaster County Coffee Roasters fundraiser! We sold 265 bagged and 220 boxed items—raising \$1790 for our school! What an INCREDIBLE outcome!

We have a few fundraisers and events remaining to help us reach our annual fundraising goal of \$8000. Our hope continues: participate in the ones that interest you and your family and comfortably sit the others out.

Upcoming events:

Sunday, February 5 - 1pm to 3pm - Bowling at Clearview Lanes. RSVP required.

Mid-February - ECNS Spirit Wear Sale

March 7-9 - Teddy Bear Portraits (taken during students' regular class times)

March/April (with delivery in time for Easter) - Stauffers of Kissel Hill Flower Sale

April/May - Dutch Wonderland Ticket Sale

May - Ice Cream Social

Your support is INVALUABLE to us. Thank you so much for your ONGOING support.