



## The Playhouse Preschool – November 2007

From the Director:

Dear Playhouse Families,

As Thanksgiving quickly approaches, I feel compelled to express my gratitude to you for choosing the Playhouse and for giving the teachers and me the daily gift of nurturing a community of love and learning with your children.

As we complete our second month, progress has been made on all fronts. The toddlers are predicting their morning schedule and listening attentively to their story during snack time. The preschoolers are talking about feeling excluded and learning how to accept new friends into their smaller groups. The pre-K class has been cooking delicious recipes and charting and comparing the lengths of their first names. Katherine's is the longest with 9 letters.

I wish you all a bountiful Thanksgiving.

Peace & Love, Ida



### Scholastic Book Club

Ms. Betsy will accept your November orders through Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your order and I hope you all received a free Froggy book from the club. All students can take one as you enter/exit school. Your orders earn us free books. Thank you.

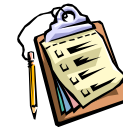
### Upcoming Closures & Trips

We are closed on November 12<sup>th</sup> for Veteran's Day. Ms. Donna will be away November 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. The Playhouse will close for Thanksgiving at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, November 21 and be close on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Ida will be in Mexico for a family wedding from December 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>. Christmas break begins on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> (no school) and we resume classes on

Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. I can't believe I'm talking about this.

### November Progress Reports

You can expect a short progress report by the end of November. It will discuss in a general way how your child has adjusted, what activities they enjoy and any questions/concerns his or her teachers may have.



### Parent Conferences

Parents are welcome to sign up for a meeting any Friday morning from 8:30 – 12:30. There doesn't need to be a specific concern; you may just want to hear how your child is doing in more detail. The sign up schedule is on the bulletin board as you enter preschool.

### **Class Lists**

Help yourself to class lists as you enter preschool. Some older children are asking each other for phone numbers so their moms can arrange a play date.



### **Seasonal Clothing**

Don't forget to change your "extra" bag of clothing to warmer items. Also, because we go out daily, please label and send hats and mittens when appropriate. We have extras, too.

### **Extended Day Sign-Up Sheet**

Please check and sign-up your child for lunch and play. Spots are limited and we cannot exceed 29 children total.

### **Our Pets**

Don't forget to welcome our 4 new aquatic frogs, donated by Ben and his mom, Lisa. Thank you, Lisa, for all your hard work.

Any family is welcome to take a guinea pig home on the week-end or for vacation breaks. Please let Ida know if you are interested. Thanksgiving is available.