

## *December Newsletter*

*Bonjour everyone!*

*Aaah, December!...the month of winter and holidays! This season is filled with excitement and fun activities! As you can imagine, this month we will be working on Christmas around the world and Santa Claus vocabulary. If you have any concerns in regards to this, or if you would like us to celebrate other holidays in class, don't hesitate to let us know so that can include your traditions!*

*Christmas Concert – 4 yr. old.*

*The Christmas concert committee (Sarah, Meghan, Tara, Valérie, Désirée) are please to welcome you to the hall (beside the classroom) for the 4 yr. old. Christmas Concert is on Wednesday, December 14th at 6:30 pm.*

*Christmas Party – 3 yr. old.*

*Mme Cindy and I are please to welcome you in our classroom for little songs on December 15th at 10:00 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. everyone is invited (parents, grandparents, siblings, nannies, etc.). We will have a visit from the North Pole …*

### ***Theme this month for the 4 yr old:***

#### ***Christmas around the world and...***

*It's not everyone who celebrate Christmas the same way, we will acknowledge different celebrations around the world, like in Jerusalem they light a candle everyday for 8 days, in Poland they put hay under their tablecloth, in China they celebrate the celebration of light, Germany they wait until the first star before eating a big meal and in France they have a visit from St-Nicolas December 6<sup>th</sup> which he leaves candies in the children stocking. And I know all the adult want to be the Santa in Ireland, instead of cookies and milk the families leave a piece of pie and a beer.*

#### ***Visiting the North Pole***

*We will start our visit at the reindeers stable to meet Rudolph, after we will finish the week with a field trip at the Silvera Senior Home, where we will give love and performing songs for the elderly. Later on we will say "Bonjour" to Mrs. Claus in her kitchen, she may gives us a gingerbread cookie.*

### ***Theme this month for the 3 and 3/4 yr. old classes:***

***Writing to Santa*** to make sure he knows what we wish for Christmas and to make sure we are very good all through the year we will meet his helper "the Elf on the shelf". Also, we will decorate a gingerbread man cookie right after the puppet show. Finishing our month on a surprise visit from Santa, all parents are welcome an hour before the end of classes at 10:00 am and 1:45 pm.

## **Dates to remember**

*December 2: Field trip to Silvera Senior home – Confederation Park*

*December 8 and 9: Green Day*

*December 14: 4 yr. old – Christmas concert at 6:30 pm*

*December 15: 3 and 3/4 yr. old - Christmas party - Parents welcome 10:00 am and 1:45 pm*

***Donations for the less fortunate:*** December is upon us and as we reflect on the gratitude of our good tidings, we will also be supporting those in need. This year, we will collect food donations. There will be a box located outside the classroom. Deadline will be December 16. Happy holidays everyone!

*I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2017!*

*Madame Claudette*