

The Alpacas Class Newsletter

January 2021

Alpaca Families,

We made it! Let's all take a (socially distanced) communal breath and rejoice in the fact that we made it through 2020! It really sent us for a loop at the very end there, but we did it! So, round of applause, and congratulations to us! Now, all we can do is look forward upon all the wonderful and positive things that January and 2021 itself has in store for us. December allowed us to finish up the theme of Showtime, which the Alpacas thoroughly enjoyed. I look forward to linking pieces of the previous theme to all our themes in the future. The next CSW theme that we will delve into is: "All Aboard- Buses, Boats, Planes, and Trains." January is going to be packed full of exciting new books, songs, questions, activities, etc. I cannot wait to get started! Transportation is an incredibly broad and interesting subject for children, and I'm certain that the Alpacas will use their bold imaginations to create many different exciting situations for dramatic play. During Week 1, we will discuss not only the different types of transportation, but also the places we go on those various types of transportation. It is important for us to explore the entire concept, rather than just focusing on the time spent on a particular mode of transportation. Week 2 will be a comparison of air, water, and land transport. Then we will refine our options and focus on the types of transport found in our community. This will allow us to revisit the theme of "community" once again. Week 3 and 4 will focus on bus travel. We will consider what people do on the bus, where they go, how they pay, etc. These weeks will set us up for the "field trip" that we are hoping to take during week 4.

A few gentle reminders: As always, please make sure that your child is prepared for the Winter weather that is upon us. If the temperature allows for it, we try to get outside as much as possible. I have stated before that it is perfectly fine to leave a hat and gloves at school, but I completely understand if you would like them to travel home each night instead. Also, please make sure that your child has multiple (at least 2) masks each day. I understand that this may be a lot to ask, but it is very difficult for 4- and 5-year old to keep the masks clean and dry throughout the day. I really appreciate the amazing job that they have done so far, and all the help that we have received from the parents. We are all doing our very best to keep everyone safe and healthy in this chaotic time.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to email me at Alpacarams@gmail.com, or speak with either Miss Kim or Miss Lisa. We are here to help.



Sincerely, Miss Molly & Alpacas Staff



Curriculum Themes:

- All Aboard- Transportation

Birthdays:



Ms. Lynda- 1/14

Important Dates

Friday, Jan 1st

Valley School Closed

"Happy New Year"

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Monday, Jan 18th

Martin Luther King Jr's
Day

