



# Apple Tree Connections

## Family Newsletter

December 2022



### *December Birthdays*

Happy Birthday to: Ilyyanna(1), Jemma R.(1), Breckyn(3), Maisie B.(4), Ava(4), Samuel(4), Miles P.(5), Miss Caryssa, Miss Jen C., Miss Dawn H., and Miss Kim B.

### *Center Reminders*

If you are planning on adding to your family, please ensure that you inform Apple Tree as soon as possible. The longer you wait to inform us, the tougher it will be to ensure placement for additional children. Our next infant opening is September 2023.

### *Apple of Our Eye*

Please fill out an "Apple of our Eye" certificate if you see something exceptional within our team. Our next team meeting will take place on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the center is closed this day for our team all day in-service meeting.

### *Turkey Lunch*

Thank you everyone that joined us for our Thanksgiving lunch. We were so excited to bring it back in person this year.

### *Drop off and Pick up*

Our parking lot is a one-way direction. Please exit near the dumpsters and around the corner. It is imperative that all families follow the one-way to ensure safety. Please share with family members who may pick up your child/ren. You may also use the parking spaces that are on the side of the lot.

### *Donations*

Thank you to the following families for their recent donations: Mevels- clothes, Bartelt- clothes and wipes, Baker- art supplies, Crisp- formula, Delaney- shoes

ATC is looking for boys pants size 4T and 5T, thank you!

### *Center Closed*

Apple Tree is closed on Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sign-up sheets for the holiday week will be posted soon. If your child's schedule will vary during the holiday season, please be sure to sign up accordingly so that our classrooms can be appropriately staffed, and team members can utilize vacation time as requested.

AASD resumes classes for grades K-12 on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. 4K is not in session and ATC is closed on that Monday in observation of the New Year. School-age parents, please arrange a different way for your children to get to and from school. The bus will still pick-up and drop-off by the drive way if you would like to utilize it as a way for your children to get to and from school.

### *Adopt-a-Family*

Each year, we adopt families to help make their holidays a little brighter. The Adopt-a-Family Tree is located in the lobby on the closet door. If you are able to purchase a gift, please bring the present along with the ornament and gift receipt back to ATC by Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, so we can wrap the gifts and deliver them to the families.

### *Dress Up Days*

- 1: National Christmas Lights Day – wear your favorite light color
- 12: National Poinsettia Day – wear green and red
- 16: National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day
- 19: Packer Day- wear your Green Bay Packer Gear
- 20: Tree Topper Day: wear your favorite holiday headpiece (Santa hat, headband, antlers)
- 21: Winter Solstice – wear your holiday or favorite pajamas
- 22: Winter Flannel – wear your favorite flannel or plaid
- 23: Grinch and Who Day – wear green, dress like the grinch or a who from whoville

### *Winter outside Procedures*

Please make sure your child has a warm jacket, hat, mittens, snow pants, and boots, since we do go outside each day if the weather permits. Please ensure all snow gear is labeled with your child's name as many children may have the same gear.

### *Pyramid Model*

This month we are focusing on our daily schedules in the classroom. These schedules are used to create routine and allow transitions to run smoothly within the room. There is a visual daily schedule and a written visual schedule posted. These ideas could also be used at home to help your days run more smoothly. Please see the ones posted in the classroom or check out the pyramid model tab on our website.