



Bobbie Noonan's Child Care  
Palos Hills

**\*\*\*Pre-Kindergarten News\*\*\***  
*for the weeks of December 10<sup>th</sup> & December 17<sup>th</sup>*

- **Theme:** Christmas and Christmas Around the World
- **Introduce:** Qq & Rr/star & pentagon
- **Expressive Vocabulary:** quote: *to repeat someone's exact words*  
relinquish: *to give back; to give up*
- **Bits of Intelligence:** Birds

**Language Arts:** Feliz Navidad! Joyeux Noel! Frohliche Weihnachten! These next two weeks Mrs. Debbie will take the boys and girls on an imaginary trip around the world to see how Christmas is celebrated in other countries. We'll be making stops in Mexico, France, and Germany to learn about some of their holiday customs and traditions, and even practice saying Merry Christmas in their language! Of course our tour will end with the United States as we learn how this wonderful holiday is celebrated in our own country.

The Chimney

Here is the chimney (*make fist*)  
Here is the top (*cover fist with other hand*)  
Open the lid (*remove hand*)  
Out Santa will pop! (*pop up thumb*)



**Concept:** Mrs. Julie has many fun Christmas activities planned for the next two weeks. One of our main areas of concentration will be numbers and estimation. The children will be in for a surprise when they see what festive holiday items appear in the counting jar. We will also continue to work on compare and contrast using a sock and a Christmas stocking as well as a winter hat and Santa hat. A listening activity "What did you hear" will be introduced. I will have the children listen to three or four different sounds. Then they will close their eyes as I repeat one of the sounds and guess which one they hear.

**Craft & Writing:** Over the next two weeks Mrs. Tiffany will be introducing the letters Qq and Rr and the shapes star and pentagon. Some papers will include recognizing and tracing the upper and lower case letters and tracing our new shapes as well. The children will begin to work on a very special holiday project. It will arrive home in time for Christmas!

The children are also eagerly anticipating the arrival of that jolly old elf himself at our Christmas party on Friday, 12/21. Everyone will get the chance to see Santa and tell him what they want for Christmas! And even though we're not supposed to get gifts until the 25<sup>th</sup>, he just might have a little something special for each of us! The boys and girls are welcome to bring treats to pass out to their friends on this day as well. Please remember to adhere to our all natural food policy if sending edible items. We cannot serve or send home any food that contains sugar, additives or preservatives. There are 12 children in each homeroom.

**Important Dates:**

December 11.....**Happy Birthday Amelia Depke!**  
December 15.....Christmas Program at 1:30pm-  
Prairie Jr. High in Alsip. Please have your child there by 1:15

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December 19.....**Happy Birthday Diane Wrobel!**  
December 21.....Christmas Party  
December 23.....**Happy Birthday Tea Music!**  
December 24.....School open for Daycare only,  
closes at 3:00pm  
December 25.....Merry Christmas! **School closed**  
December 26-28.....**No pre school classes**/school open for day care only  
December 31.....School open for Daycare only,  
Closes at 3:00pm  
January 1.....Happy New Year! **School closed**  
January 2.....School open for all!!!

**Wishing each of you a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!**

**Mrs. Debbie, Mrs. Tiffany, Mrs. Julie**

**Daycare Parent Reminder-As long as the temperature is 20 degrees or above (with the wind chill) we'll continue to take the children outside in the afternoon. Please remember to send your child with snowpants and boots if there is snow. Thank you- we appreciate your cooperation!**

