

## Message from Mrs. Tepe



Happy New Year! We here at Creative hope that the holidays were wonderful for you and your family and that 2026 enters with peace and joy. We can't wait to welcome all of you back on January 5<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to the children returning to school after the long holiday break. It is always heartwarming to see the children skip or run with exuberance into school after being away for so long. I hope they always find learning to be a joyful experience and Creative Preschool their "Happy Place".

The children will be participating in winter activities, usually indoors, as the cold months are upon us. Although we like to take advantage of warmer days when we get them. **Please make sure they always have warm coats with them! We do try to make it outside whenever possible.**

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year begins on January 5th. Priority registration for current and returning families is due on January 26th @3:30pm. Please make sure to turn your paperwork in promptly! We are blessed to fill our classrooms very quickly. Families are more likely to get their first choice of class day and time if they register in January!

Please spread the word to your friends and family who may be interested in Creative Preschool and all it has to offer! Registration paperwork can be found on our website at

<https://creativepreschoolcincinnati.com/enrollment.html>

## Co-Op Corner: A message from the Board President

We hope you had a wonderful holiday season with your families! As the New Year begins, we look forward to many fun and exciting times at Creative. Looking ahead, we will have several Board positions we need to fill for the 2026-2027 school year. If you would like more information regarding any of these positions or have any questions, please contact Kayla McGuire at [Creativepreschoolparentboard@yahoo.com](mailto:Creativepreschoolparentboard@yahoo.com).

Please spread the word to friends and family about registration for the 2026-2027 school year!

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES



<b>JANUARY</b>	
<b>1/5</b>	Classes Resume
<b>1/5</b>	Current and Returning family Registration Begins
<b>1/15</b>	Tuition Due
<b>1/19</b>	MLK/No School
<b>1/26</b>	Priority Registration Ends @ 3PM for current/returning families
<b>1/26</b>	Pizza Pajama Day MW & MWF
<b>1/27</b>	Pizza Pajama Day TH
<b>1/30</b>	Pizza Pajama Day FF



## News from Friday Friends



To start the new year, we will begin to practice recognizing and spelling our names, as well as counting the letters in our names. We will work on writing our names as well. It is helpful to have the children work at home on spelling and recognizing their names. With winter upon us we want to make sure we take care of the birds so we

will make a bird feeder using rice cakes, Crisco and bird seed. We will use our small muscles to spread the Crisco and use our eye-hand coordination to spoon on the birdseed. We are starting to learn about numbers 1-4. The art project will have the children “read” the number on each of the four paper mittens, numbered 1-4. They will then be asked to count and glue the correct number of corresponding winter fun foam objects. This activity will demonstrate your child’s ability to start to recognize the number symbols, counting skills, as well as his or her understanding of the value of each number. Towards the end of the month, we will have a pajama party in which the children can wear their favorite jammies to school.

In preparation for Valentine’s, we will marble paint a Valentine bag. We will use red, purple and white paint and of course marbles. While using our marble painting box we will release lots of energy as we discover how much we must shake to mix the colors! Once the bag is dry and decorated, we will use this bag to carry all the Valentine goodies that we hope to get at our party.

### FRIDAY FRIEND’S MONTHLY FOCUS

Numbers..... 1-4

Letters..... Spelling our names.

Vocabulary..... Birds, Mitten, Winter

## News from Three's



Welcome Back! We will be talking about the Winter season and how cold it is outside. Of course, we will also talk about how it can possibly snow and what we should wear when we go outside.

Since the ground will be frozen, we want to help the birds find food. We will make bird feeders that the children can hang on a tree branch or somewhere by their houses. The

art projects this month will be based on the Winter season and snow. We will have several fun projects that utilize our fine motor skills as well as number recognition and counting.

Towards the end of the month, we will have a pajama party in which the children can wear their favorite jammies to school. At the end of the month, we will start getting ready for Valentine’s Day. We are going to use red, purple, and white paint and marbles to make our Valentine bags.

### THREE'S MONTHLY FOCUS

Numbers..... 1-10

Letters..... Name Recognition

Vocabulary..... Snowman, Mitten, Winter

**Please make a note of the Important Dates listed on Page 1.**

## News from Four's



Happy New Year! We hope 2026 is filled with many blessings for all! We enjoyed our break, but it is so good to see the smiling faces of each of your children as they return!

With winter fully upon us, during the month of January we will be participating in celebrating the new year, making snow themed crafts as well as exploring sensory activities which are snow themed. Wild and tame animals will be introduced and explored, as well. Towards the end of the month, we will have a pajama party in which the children can wear their favorite jammies to school.

The children will be learning to recognize their last names in print and over the next few months they will be learning to recognize and recite their address – both “house number” and “street name.” Please begin to repeatedly recite your address with your child now. The expectations in the fours are growing greater as we prepare to head to Kindergarten in the fall. All children should be writing their name on their work. Again, practice at home is always helpful. Remember, capital letter first and the rest lowercase!

### FOUR'S MONTHLY FOCUS

**Letters...** Y, O, Q, P,

**Numbers...** Review 1-10, Beginning the teens

**Vocabulary...** dissolve, sequence, freeze, melt, small, medium, large, texture, address, hibernate, pattern, rhyme

## News from PreK



Happy New Year to each of you! We wish you all many blessings in 2026! We hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas break. It was good to have some time off; but it is also good to be together having fun again! We will start the new year off with a 2026 celebration!

During the month of January, we will be participating in activities with winter and will study arctic animals and animals who hibernate.

We will continue practicing our writing skills with a writing prompt about a melted snowman based off the book, “Sneezy the Snowman” by Maureen Wright. We will also keep working on our alphabet books when we discuss new letters each week. Look for information to come home about a Pizza Pajama Party later this month when we talk about the letter ‘P’!

### PREK MONTHLY FOCUS

**Letters...** Y, O, Q, P, I

**Numbers...** Beginning the teens

**Vocabulary...** dissolve, hibernate, evaporate, address, continents, north, south, east, west and tame animals

## **Inclement Weather**

In the case of inclement weather, Creative will **follow Oak Hills School.**

### ***Oak Hills Delay-***

- Creative's morning classes will be CANCELED.
- Afternoon classes will begin on schedule.

### ***Oak Hills Closed-***

- Creative will be closed

Delays and Closings are also posted to the Creative Preschool Facebook page.



## **COLD WEATHER REMINDER!!!!**

As the temperature allows, we will enjoy the playground as long as we can! Please dress your child accordingly. Coats, mittens, and hats are helpful!

When the temps become too cold, we will be spending more time indoors for Motor Skills. All the children will be participating in activities which will help them to grow their coordination, body awareness and spatial awareness.



## Snack Time:



While treats are super fun, it is our goal to provide a sound foundation in education and best practices for a healthy lifestyle. We ask, therefore, that you provide safe and healthy snack choices for our preschool-age children. Please consider high fiber and low sugar alternatives while planning for snack. When providing snack please keep these requirements in mind:

- Be sure to consider food allergies, when in doubt check with your child's teacher.
- Snacks MUST, because of licensing requirements, be bakery, restaurant, or store bought and brought to school in unopened packages.
- No snack which has been prepared at home can be consumed at school!
- Snacks should be healthy and safe choices for the preschool child. Please refer to the snack list below for some suggestions.
- Please do not send in cookies, donuts, cupcakes, or other high-sugar foods.
- Drinks may include any 100% fruit juice boxes.
- Cups and napkins will be provided by the school; eating utensils, plates, and bowls are not.

### Healthy Snack Suggestions:

- raisins or dried fruit pouches
- cheese sticks
- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- whole grain cracker packs
- Goldfish/Cheeze-it cracker bags
- graham cracker packs
- pretzel mini bags
- applesauce pouches
- frozen or canned fruit in natural juice
- granola bars or Nutrigrain Bars
- yogurt
- peanut butter cracker packs
- multigrain/low sugar cereal mini boxes
- PopChip or Pirates Bootie mini bags
- popcorn bags
- vegetable or sweet potato chips or straws mini bags.

## Registration 2026-2027

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD! NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION BEGINS ON JANUARY 5th. Registration paperwork can be found at <https://creativepreschoolcincinnati.com/enrollment.html>

Please tell your friends and family and post on your personal Facebook page that Creative is now registering NEW STUDENTS for the 2026-2027 school year!

Priority Registration for CURRENT AND RETURNING families for the 2026-2027 school year will also take place on January 5<sup>th</sup>-26th:



- Priority registration packets will be sent home ONLY to current 3-year old's and current 4's who are continuing to Pre-K.
- Others can get one from the office that week.
- Please remember that PreK is intended for children who are older and/or ready for more academic challenge and structure than our Four-Year-Old classes provide, and no child will be accepted into PreK without recommendation and signature of the current year teacher.
- Children who are not yet 4 years of age by September 30, 2026 and wish to be accepted into the 4s program will be accepted only upon teacher or director recommendation, as well.

Creative Preschool registration for FIRST TIME ENROLLING families begins January 5:

- Families may register their child(ren) by making 2 class time choices and by turning in their completed registration forms and the \$100 registration fee.
- Forms will be numbered in the order that they are received AFTER current and returning families have registered and been assigned to a class (see information below)
- NEW students will be assigned to their first or second choice class, if available, in numbered order.
- Confirmation of class placement for new families will begin no later than the week of March 30th.
- Registration fees will be refunded only if families do not receive their first or second choice for class day/time and choose to withdraw.

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PRIORITY REGISTRATION STATUS, COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORMS AND THE \$100 REGISTRATION FEE, MADE PAYABLE TO CREATIVE PRESCHOOL MUST BE TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM ON JANUARY 26! Confirmation of class placement will come home through your child's cubby beginning on the week of March 16th. If you do not receive yours that week, please check with Mrs. Tepe.

**Please be sure to check out our website for the latest news & calendar updates and “Like” us on Facebook.**



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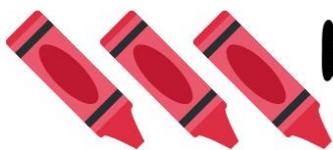
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begins January 5th**



**Priority Registration for current families  
January 5th-26th, 2026**

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Registration info

<https://creativepreschoolcincinnati.com/REGISTRATION%20FORMS%202026-2027.pdf>

**If you would like to schedule a tour you can reach us at:**

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