

# DECEMBER 2021

Building the Foundation for Growth.



## 5 activities for winter

Our monthly themes for this month are Remembrance Day, Transportation and Community Helper. Here are some activities for the month of December that can be incorporated into daily routines to explore the monthly theme.

### **1. Paper Plate Haircuts**

One of the easiest yet fun crafts for Community Helper is this activity. Carefully teach how to use scissors to children. If it's too hard, they can always use their hands as well. Draw a funny face on the middle of the paper plate and have them start designing the hair on the top!

Source: <https://www.bitaa.com/activity/MzkxMzQ3Mnl1OW45dDczOHgyOTE-4NA==>

### **2. Hot Air Balloon Cup and Plate Craft**

Start explaining and showing children what a hot air balloon is and looks like.

Explain the science behind it! Start with decorating the cup and then the plate! It is a great decoration for the rainy season to bring some popping colors!

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### **3. Color Sorting Train**

This one always brings a giggle to the children. Create a rainbow train on the floor and have children find an object around the room. And start sorting it by color! Not all objects will have a solid color, have children explain which color they are sorting it by.

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## Important Dates

### **FRI DEC 17**

Last day of school before winter break

### **MON DEC 20 - FRI DEC 24**

Winter Break Care available for Out of School Care children at Parkland location

### **FRI DEC 24**

Christmas Eve, holiday Center close at 3:00pm

### **TUE JAN 4**

Center Re-open!

## Reminders

- Extra Clothing Updates:  
Please provide us with extra clothing for children (top to toe) and update the bag as we are approaching with chilly and wet weather!
- Winter Break Care is available starting Dec 20th – 24th for Out of School Care Program children with \$100 fee. **Please note, on 24th, the center will close at 3pm.**  
The Sign up is available in the classroom or via website. Center will re-open on the 4th of January!  
The theme is hibernation and winter animals. All groups will be exploring various winter animals and creative ideas of hibernation!
- Please review the Winter Extreme Weather Procedure Policy here: <http://parklandplayers.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Extreme-Weather-Letter-to-Parents.pdf>
- Scholastic flyers have been sent through Himama. Our class code is RC149292
- Please note, we are Nut free and low sugar facility. Please do not pack any nut or high sugar snacks, lunch, or drinks.

## Activities for Home and at School



### What is Remembrance Day? How can we teach our little ones?

There is an important day in November to know and remember. Remembrance Day is on November 11th to remember and honor the ones that sacrificed and served our country.

[Read More.](#)



Parkland Players Preschool class doing arts and crafts



### Firefighter Sensory Bin

To practice sensory skills and possibly incorporate math and literacy skills.

[Watch the video.](#)



Our preschool class during circle time



Our Pumpkin Patch!



Girls playing with blocks after school

## Program Highlights

This month we will be exploring hibernation!  
Happy Holidays to all Parkland Families!  
Winter Break Care is available for OSC

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