

## February Extended Day

Dear families,

Extended day friends are very excited to finally have the opportunity to play in the snow. Outside they have enjoyed pulling one another on sleds, rolling the “biggest snowballs ever”, building snow forts, and constructing huge snowmen. It is wonderful to see the friends working together as a team rolling and lifting the snowballs into their proper places. We witnessed great problem solving occurring as friends tried to figure out how they would lift the head of the snowman all the way to the top or when deciding what items they could use for the eyes, nose, and mouth. Each friend gladly took on a different responsibility and busily began fulfilling their duty. It was a great cooperative effort, a wonderful learning experience, and most of all it was so much fun for everyone! The forecast has predicted more snow so I am excited to see what the friends will construct next.

The chilly weather is here so please remember to pack snow pants, hats, 2 pairs of waterproof mittens, boots, and an extra set of dry clothes (**socks**, underwear, shirt, pants). Even if there is not snow on the ground, this gear will provide warmth for the children as we enjoy our playground time. Extended day teachers will help keep track of all belongings the best we can by teaching children how to put their things away. Please help us by having your child practice being responsible at home as well. We will also give the children a plastic bag for their wet clothes to keep our backpacks and mail dry (please look for this bag in your child’s cubby at pick up time). Please remember to LABEL EVERYTHING in case any belongings get left behind!!! Thank you and I look forward to having your child join us in February. Located on the back of this newsletter is a monthly calendar listing the projects that we have planned for the month.

Stay warm,

Extended Day Coordinator, Wendy Hargreaves

