



January 2025

December went so fast. We just want to thank everyone that came out to our concert and Christmas party afterwards. We hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

During the month of December, the children had fun exploring gingerbread and creating cookies and donuts in our Bakery. We hope they all had fun during our **Grinch Day**. We hope you all enjoyed all the special activities to kick off the holidays.

At the start of the year, we began learning letters, patterns, and sight words. To build on this progress, we will now be adding a math component to our circle time. The children will continue practicing counting, and we will introduce ten frames and a "Number of the Day" activity.

This month we will be focusing on Arctic Animals, Snow, Ice and Winter. With all the snow we will bring some into the classroom to play and explore with it in a warm space.



Please ensure that your child comes each day with snow pants, mittens and a hat. We do go outside as long as it is warmer than -15, otherwise we will go to the gym for some fun activities. Just so you are aware, if the weather does get to -35 or colder we will cancel classes. A message will be sent on Brightwheel.

Teddy Bear

We will be having a Teddy Bear day on January 29th and 30th. Children are encouraged to bring their favorite stuffed animal. We are going to do some fun crafts around teddy bears and have a teddy bear picnic. Mr. Matt will be joining us for music on those days as well.

Handle with Care

If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, I would like to provide additional support at school. I understand that you are not always able to share details and that is okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning, or weekend, send me a message on Brightwheel stating Handle with Care. Nothing else will be said or asked. This will let us know that your child may need extra time, patience, or help during their time at school.



1. **Open House Extravaganza: A Date to Remember!**

Save the date! Our Open House is coming up on February 13th from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. We'd love for you to invite friends and family to join us for an hour of fun, learning, and a glimpse into the vibrant world of Blue Quill Playschool. This is a wonderful chance to meet our teachers, explore the classroom, and ask any questions you may have. Returning students who will be joining us next year will be able to enroll on February 1st 2025.

2. **Social Media Buzz: Connect with Us!**

We invite you to join us in fostering community engagement by connecting with Blue Quill Playschool on social media! Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/societyofbluequillplayschool Instagram at @bluequillplayschool, Stay up-to-date on the latest happenings, share your thoughts, and join the conversation. Your active participation online helps us spread the word about our Open House and highlights the amazing experiences our little ones enjoy each day.

3. **Google Review**

As we continue our quest to welcome new families to our playschool, we would greatly appreciate it if you could leave us a Google review. Your support boosts our visibility and strengthens our online presence. Thank you for helping our community grow!

4. **Heartfelt Thanks to Our Amazing Volunteers!**

A big shout-out to all the parents who have generously volunteered their time and talents to Blue Quill Playschool. Your dedication is the heartbeat of our community, and we are truly grateful for the positive impact you bring to our school environment.

5. **Last Call for Volunteers: Cleaning Night Opportunity!**

While all board positions are now filled, we want to extend an invitation to parents who have yet to take on a board role or two cleaning nights. Join us to be part of the behind-the-scenes magic that keeps our playschool thriving. To sign up or learn more, please contact the school's housekeeping chair at housekeeping@bluequillplayschool.ca

Thank you for your ongoing support, and Happy New Year!