



# Kite Tales

A Cary Park District Preschool Publication  
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*Mrs. Herbster and Mrs. McDonough's 4 M-W-F AM class with Ben Rea the Superintendent of Parks on a nature walk.*

## Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will take place in November. This is great time to talk to your child's teacher about his/her preschool experience and discuss any questions or concerns you may have. Feel free to bring your child(ren) to the conference. There will be an area set up for them to play while you conference with the teacher. Each teacher has been assigned a conference schedule. Please look at the schedule by her sign-in sheet. All are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. Please make every effort to arrive on time. Should the date or time not be conducive to your schedule, please see your child's teacher to make other arrangements.

## Outside Play

Outside play is an important part of our daily curriculum. We will go outside daily as long as the temperature, including wind chill, is above 30 degrees. Please dress your child for the weather. Self-help skills such as buttons, zippers and being able to prepare to go outside will be practiced on a daily basis. You may also want to make sure your child has a pair of mittens. Mittens are much easier for the children to put on than gloves.

## Preschool Bulletin Board

Visit the Preschool Bulletin Board on [www.carypark.com](http://www.carypark.com) to see new photo galleries, which will be updated each month.

## Important Reminders

No School: Thanksgiving break is from November 21 - 25. School will resume on Monday, November 28.

In fairness to all children, the Cary Park District Preschool adheres to a strict sick policy and strives to keep our school germ free. As the flu season approaches, germs can spread quickly in a school environment. Please keep in mind that one sick child will affect the rest of the children. If your child is not feeling well, please keep him/her home and call the Preschool so that the teachers are aware.

Thank you for continuing to help us keep the Preschool healthy this flu season.

Please remember to put your child's first and last names on all items your child brings into the classroom.

Scholastic Book Orders are due on November 7 and November 8.

Preschool Teachers' line is (847) 516-4073.

Preschool Director's line is (847) 639-7448.



Happy Birthday to our November birthdays:

Erica Bradley 11/1  
Harper Heath 11/6  
Michael Cruz 11/8  
Olivia Reisenbigler 11/9  
Mia Rugala 11/15

Watch for the Cary Park District Winter/Spring brochure to arrive in your mailbox soon. For a sneak peak, visit [www.carypark.com](http://www.carypark.com).

Visit the Preschool section of the Cary Park District website, [www.carypark.com](http://www.carypark.com). We are excited to offer an online bulletin board. You can download the parent handbook, forms, monthly calendars, newsletters and view photo galleries. While you are there, sign up to receive the Cary Park District e-newsletter to stay up to date on the latest promotions, surveys, news and activities available to your preschool aged children.

### Food Drive

The Cary Park District will be conducting a food drive from November 14 – December 26 for the local Cary Food Pantry, which serves families and individuals in the Cary-Grove area in their time of need. The pantry is always looking for donations of paper products, toiletries, laundry and cleaning supplies, baby food, diapers, canned foods, pasta, rice, healthy cereals and more. There will be an opportunity for your family to make a donation, if you wish. The Preschool will have a box set up in your child's classroom for donations. An additional donation area will also be set up at the Community Center. Thank you for your support.

### Mark Your Calendars!

Mark your calendars for these upcoming Park District events. These events are free of charge and no registration is necessary to participate.

#### Visit With Santa

Santa will be visiting to hear your child's wish list! Don't forget to bring your camera to capture the memories. All children must be accompanied by an adult.  
Wednesday, December 7  
5:30-7:30 PM  
Foxford Hills Golf Club

#### Holiday Walk Tree Lighting

Kick off the holiday season and join us for the lighting of the Jaycee Park Holiday Walk! Enjoy holiday lights, visit with Santa and his live reindeer, enjoy ice skating (weather permitting) and light refreshments.  
Saturday, December 10  
6:00-8:00 PM  
Jaycee Park

Thank You

For all the books generously donated to the Preschool library:

Rockets and Spaceships by Karen Wallace from Johnny Carey.

We would like to thank the Cary Fire Protection District who visited our Preschool and did a great job talking to the children about fire safety. The children were able to see how firefighters look and sound when wearing their protective uniforms and equipment. The children also had fun seeing the fire engine. We practiced how to Stop, Drop and Roll in our classrooms and learned what number to call in case of an emergency.

Thank you to Officer Szatkowski from the Cary Police Department and Officer Cruz (Michael's dad) for coming and talking to the children about staying safe on Halloween and stranger danger. The children enjoyed playing "Officer says", learning about staying safe and seeing the police vehicles.

Thank you again for taking the time; it's important for the children to learn that firefighters and police officers are also dads!