



# NORCO MONTESSORI ACADEMY

**“Where Your Kids Spread Their Wings”**



**“The greatest gift we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence”**

**Maria Montessori**



## A note to our families

We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with family and friends. As we look back on the last month of the year, our Christmas performance and Santa Visit was by far the highlight. The children did an amazing job performing for the large group of parents and families that attended and we are so proud of all of their hard work. Norco Montessori Academy would like to wish all of our families a Happy New Year and we cannot wait to see what 2026 will bring as we continue to learn and grow together.





### DID YOU KNOW?

Early literacy is crucial for young children because it lays the foundation for future academic success, cognitive development, and social-emotional well-being. Research shows that children who develop strong literacy skills early in life are more likely to succeed in school and have better long-term outcomes (Snow, Burns & Griffin, 1998). Early literacy involves more than just learning to read; it includes developing vocabulary, understanding story structure, and building phonological awareness, all of which are essential for language development and critical thinking.

## Happy Birthday

### January Birthdays:

Alondra I. 1/02

Kingston R. 1/15

Ms. Angie 1/16

Chloe H. 1/20



### Dates to Remember

#### January 1st

School closed for New Years Day

#### Jan 14th

Snow play Day  
@10am

# January Rhymes and Fingerplays

## "I'm a Little Snowman"

(Tune: I'm a Little Teapot)  
I'm a little snowman, round  
and fat,  
Here is my tummy and here  
is my hat.  
When the sun comes out, oh  
what a fright!  
I'll melt away 'til I'm a puddle  
so bright!

## Im A little Snowman

I'm a little snowman,  
look at me  
These are my buttons,  
one, two, three  
These are my eyes and  
this is my nose  
I wear a hat and scarf,  
brrr, it's cold

### Book Recommendations:

- Sneezy the Snowman By:  
Maureen wright
- How to Catch a Snowman:  
by Adam Wallace
- Winter Things: By Dr. Seuss



## January Curriculum:

### Pre-Primary

#### Week 1:

Winter Weather

#### Week 2:

Lets play in the snow

#### Week 3:

Animals that live in the  
snow

#### Week 4:

Friendship and kindness

### Advanced Primary

#### Week 1:

Zoology:

Animals eating Habit

#### Week 2:

Language:

Short Vowels

#### Week 3:

Zoology:

Birds

#### Week 4:

Botany:

Parts of the leaf

