



# JANUARY NEWS

## Winter Weather is Upon Us!

Too much rain and wind to play outside? Then it's time to play, play, play indoors! Search the web for some fun ideas for activities and play using household and craft items. "Indoor activities for toddlers and preschoolers" lists dozens of ideas. Enjoy!

### Did you know?

#### Important Upcoming Dates:

- January 17th **NO SCHOOL**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 21st **NO SCHOOL**  
President's Day

#### Classroom contact:

- Sherree Tatum, teacher
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  - text/call: 503-936-4676

Please text or call as soon as you know that your child is unable to attend a class or session. I will contact transportation if your child rides the bus to school.

### Parent Opportunities

#### Parent Training Just for you!

##### Behavior: Part 1 of a 2 Part Series

**Title:** Understanding that Behavior is Communication.....Why Your Child Engages in Behaviors

**When:** Two Opportunities!

Tuesday, January 25th at Noon **OR**  
Thursday, January 27th at 5:30 pm

**Where:** Zoom

<https://sces-k12-or-us.zoom.us/j/84624585756>

**Presented By:** Jessica Doze, EI/ECSE  
Behavior Specialist

**Keep an eye out for a flier on this training!**

### Strategies that work

#### Winning Cooperation

The following strategy for gaining cooperation with your child is quoted from the [Positive Discipline website](#).

Children feel encouraged when you understand and respect their point of view. Try these five steps:

1. Express understanding for the child's thoughts and feelings,
2. Show empathy without condoning
3. Share a time when you felt or behaved similarly.
4. Share your thoughts and feeling.
5. Focus on solutions together.

A free parent article with examples of how this works are available on the Positive Discipline website, click the links above. We use these strategies in our classroom.

