

# Newsletter

January 2026



## Happy New Year!

We're delighted to welcome you to 2026 and to another wonderful year of learning, creativity, and community at Dayspring Preschool. As we step into January, our hearts are full of anticipation for all the exciting adventures and discoveries that await your children in the months ahead.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous holiday gifts, thoughtful notes, and the steadfast support you provide every day. Your involvement enriches our school community and makes Dayspring a truly special place for all of us. We are grateful to partner with such caring families in nurturing your children's growth.

This month, our curriculum will focus on some fun and fascinating winter themes! We'll explore the world of penguins and their incredible migration journeys, learn about snow, snowmen and snowflakes bears and the science of hibernation, community helpers, and engage in special activities that honor the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. Each experience is designed to spark curiosity, foster kindness, and help our students appreciate the diversity around them.

Thank you for being such an important part of our Dayspring community. We look forward to a joyful January filled with exploration, creativity, and connection. Here's a fantastic start to 2026!

## Keeping Our School Healthy

We trust that all families enjoyed a restful and healthy break. As a reminder, students who are unwell or have been exposed to communicable illnesses should remain at home until they have fully recovered. Maintaining this practice is an essential preventative measure. We will continue to enforce our established illness policy to ensure the safety of all members of our school community. We appreciate your ongoing cooperation and support as we work collectively toward a safe and healthy return to school.

To further promote a healthy school environment, please remind your child about the importance of regular handwashing and proper respiratory etiquette, such as covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or their elbow. Kindly discourage the sharing of personal items like water bottles, and ensure your child receives sufficient rest and balanced nutrition. Prompt communication with the school regarding any symptoms of illness is also vital in supporting a safe environment for everyone.

# 2026-2027

## Summer and Fall programs!

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming enrollment season for our 2026 Summer and Fall programs! As we look ahead, we want to express our heartfelt thanks for your continued support and enthusiasm. Your involvement makes our community special, and we can't wait to share all the wonderful opportunities coming next year.

We are pleased to announce that the last day of school for the current academic year will be May 29th. As we look ahead, we are eagerly preparing for our upcoming Summer and Fall Programs.

Regular re-enrollment for both the Summer Program and the 2025–2026 Fall school year will take place in mid-January. Enrollment packets will be made available soon, and completed forms must be submitted by **Friday, February 27th**. We encourage all families to adhere to this deadline, as there has been considerable interest in our programs, and we want to ensure that our current families are given priority.

The following sessions will be available for the summer term, running from June 8th to July 31st:

<b>Session 1</b> June 8 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Session 2</b> June 22 <sup>nd</sup> - July 2 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>Session 3</b> July 6 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Session 4</b> July 20 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup>



### A Sincere Appreciation To ...

- Our families for their generous gifts, snacks, treats, and thoughtful cards
- All contributors to our collection supporting the Bay Area Crisis Nursery
- Parents who assisted with stage setup and takedown
- To Terry- Paige's grandma for donuts
- Friends of Dayspring provides baked goods for the holiday concerts
- The Dayspring Board of Directors for their considerate teacher treats and gifts
- Donna Lenhardt for leading December story time sessions
- Carol Gilliland from A Lovable Feast Catering for organizing the staff holiday dinner

### End of the Year Statements

Brightwheel plans to send parents a direct link to your year-end statement and will notify you when your tax statements are available. You can also print your statement from your Brightwheel account [Click here](#) for instructions..

# Your Feedback Matters

At Dayspring Preschool, we are committed to providing the highest quality education and care for your children. In our ongoing efforts to improve and adapt our services to best meet the needs of our students and families, we believe that your feedback is invaluable.

After our winter break, you will receive a link to our newly developed parent survey. This survey is designed to assess the quality of the services our program offers. We encourage all parents and guardians to participate, as your input will play a critical role in helping us identify strengths and areas for improvement.

The data and feedback collected through this survey will help Dayspring Preschool enhance our programs and address any areas of concern. Our goal is to use this information to ensure that we are providing the best possible service to our students and their families.

We truly appreciate your time and cooperation in completing the survey. Your honest feedback will help us continue to grow and serve our community better. Thank you for partnering with us in supporting the learning and development of your child.

1. Look out for the survey link in your email after winter break.
2. Take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire.
3. Submit your responses by the indicated deadline.

Should you have any questions about the survey or its purpose, please feel free to contact our office. We are grateful for your support and look forward to receiving your valuable feedback.



## Upcoming Closures

- **Winter Break:** December 22, 2025 – January 2, 2026 — Dayspring will be closed during this period. Classes will resume on **Monday, January 5, 2026**.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day:** Monday, January 19, 2026 — Dayspring will be closed in observance of the holiday.

Please mark your calendars accordingly. We wish everyone a restful break and look forward to seeing you in the new year!



## SNACK MENU

### January 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>WEEK 1</b>				
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
Life Cereal Apples Milk	String Cheese Oranges Water	Club Crackers Apples Milk	Chex Mix Raisins Milk	Pasta Dried Cranberries Milk
<b>WEEK 2</b>				
12	13	14	15	16
Graham Crackers Applesauce Water	Animal Crackers Carrots Milk	Greek Vanilla Yogurt Bananas Water	Pretzels Raisins Milk	Cheerios Bananas Milk
<b>WEEK 3</b>				
19	20	21	22	23
<b>MLK Holiday</b> <b>Dayspring</b> <b>Closed</b>	Pancakes Fruit Spread Milk	Fruit Bars Carrots Milk	Toast Fruit Spread Milk	Trail Mix Fruit Salad Milk
<b>WEEK 4</b>				
26	27	28	29	30
Goldfish Crackers Cucumbers Milk	Toast Fruit Spread Milk	Popcorn Apples Water	Pita Bread Hummus Milk	Bagel Bites Oranges Milk

We serve fresh fruit and vegetables whenever possible. Substitutions may occur based on availability.

Fat free or 1% milk is provided at lunchtime. Children bring their own lunches from home.