

# The Ivy Ledger

Holiday 2018

## Notes from Marcy

As 2018 is coming to a close, it's been a pleasure getting to know all of you and your adorable children! I look forward to seeing their smiling faces each day and I'm so proud of everything that they have accomplished. It's wonderful watching them learn and participate in many different activities and projects weekly. In just three months, they have adjusted to school, made many new friends, and are mastering new skills every day.

Thank you for all of your support! We really appreciate everything you do for your children and our school. I am looking forward to an exciting and rewarding 2019 for all. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year from everyone at Ivy league Pre-School!



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## Dates to Remember

**Friday, Dec. 21** – Winter Recess – School Closed at end of day  
(School will be open for Business Calendar on 12/26, 12/27, 12/28)

**Wednesday, Jan. 2** – School Reopens

**Monday, Jan. 21** – Martin Luther King – School Closed  
(School will be open for Business Calendar)

**Monday, Feb. 18** – Presidents' Day – School Closed

[Now enrolling for January 2019 Mommy & Me, Transition, and 2 year old classes.](#)

[Registration for September 2019 begins Monday, January 7th. Please come to the school office to register.](#)



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## Ivy League Pre-School and Camp Open House

**Saturday, January 12th**

**Sunday, January 27th**

**11:00 AM—2:00 PM**

If you have any friends interested in Ivy League please spread the word!  
Ask us about our referral incentive program!



## New at Ivy League!!

Ivy League Pre-School has introduced a new program this year called The Business Calendar. The Business Calendar allows children to participate in more days of school with less school closures throughout the year. This calendar reflects days that we have typically been closed in the past such as Christmas Break and Spring Break. Beth Grossman is the teacher of the Business Calendar Program.

Mrs. Grossman has been a teacher since 1998. She has her Bachelor of Science degree in education from Boston University and her Masters degree from Columbia University in reading and curriculum. Mrs. Grossman runs a full day program, which encompasses circle time, academic activities, playtime, and lunch. The days run from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Before and after care are also available. Please be sure to view our Business Calendar Application online for programs and pricing information.

Mrs. Grossman has loved getting to know all of the children who have participated in this program. We all would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season and a very happy new year.



### 4's Mrs. Wallerstein and Mrs. Weinstock

The Thanksgiving Feast was so much fun,  
We laughed and learned and ate a ton.  
It feels like the cold weather is here to stay,  
We can't believe the holidays are only a few days away.  
We are learning colors, letters, and shapes too,  
Next we'll be learning numbers, it's something brand new.  
The holidays have arrived, it's time to cheer,  
Have a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season.  
See you next year!



### 3's Mrs. Schmid and Mrs. Hornstein

The past few months have been exciting and busy for the children in Mrs. Schmid and Mrs. Hornstein's class. We had a wonderful Thanksgiving Feast! The children had fun making their Native American costumes. We have completed our color unit and each child brought home their color book. The children learned all the colors and can even recognize the color words. Our class has been practicing recognizing and writing their names as well as learning the alphabet. The upcoming holidays have been keeping us very busy making crafts, shopping at our Holiday Fair and singing Hanukkah and Christmas songs. The class was extremely proud of the holiday gifts they made for their parents. We wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in 2019!

### Transition Ms. Julia & Ms. Lisa



We've had so much fun with our class,  
We can't believe how fast time has passed.  
We've made friends, learned and had fun along the way,  
And the best part is that we love to play!  
**Emma, Gabriella, Joseph, and Stella**  
We are so proud of how much you've grown.  
We will miss you and look forward to seeing all of you next year,  
Happy Holidays and we wish you the best in the New Year!



### 4's Mrs. Turtz and Mrs. Nortwich

Our school year began with the colorful days of fall,  
With apples and hayrides and pumpkins for all.  
With Mrs. Turtz and Mrs. Nortwich, we learned so much each day,  
Letters, sight words, and crafts, then we went off to play!  
Our Halloween Parade and trick-or-treating could not be beat,  
Each and every costume was a vision and a treat!  
Our Thanksgiving Feast and Celebration was so much fun,  
Classroom hunting and fishing, then, oh boy, eating a ton!  
Our Five Senses we used to find our Gingerbread Man,  
He's hiding in the classroom, "Can we find him? Yes, we can!"  
The magical holidays continue with so much to do,  
Christmas and Hanukkah gift-giving from—guess who?  
We'll have a Winter Wonderful show for parents and family, too,  
We look forward to singing and sharing, this special time with you!  
We wish everyone a wonderful holiday, filled with good health and good cheer,  
We also wish everyone a very Happy New Year!



### 3's Marcello and Mrs. Birenkrant

We've had the pleasure of working with your children for four months now and can't believe how much they've grown. They came to us in September with uncertainty, seeing some familiar faces and some new. In a short time they became comfortable with their surroundings, made new friends, and adjusted beautifully to the classroom routine. They've met firemen, sat in a fire truck, played on the playgrounds, went pumpkin picking, took a hayride, became a Pilgrim, a Native American, a shamash (center candle on the menorah) and a Christmas Elf!! All the while learning colors, letters, numbers, sounds and more! We are looking forward to a bright New Year filled with more exploration, discovery and developmental milestones! Wishing you all the peace, love and joy this holiday season brings along with health and prosperity in the new year.

### 2's Mrs. Delaney, Mrs. Braverman and Mrs. Grossman



Our school is off to a great start,  
Your children are sharing and caring with all of their heart.  
We are learning about the weather, our colors and so much more,  
Oh how they love when Mr. Dragon comes knocking at their door.  
The children take such pride in their projects which fill them with delight,  
And we think they are really out of sight.  
Halloween was so much fun and the treats were great,  
Our Halloween parade was really first rate!  
We are so excited that the holidays are here,  
And we would like to wish you a joyous Holiday and Happy New Year!

### 2's Mrs. Delaney T/Th Class

I'm so excited to begin a new 2 year old class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I'm looking forward to working with the siblings of my recent students! I have so many fun projects planned and am excited to teach them to recognize their names, colors, shapes, and most of all I'm excited to get to know them!  
Have a wonderful holiday season and a very Happy New Year!



### Reindeer Cookies

1 package sugar cookie dough (Pillsbury)

Give each child a chunk of dough

Roll it out and use a heart shape cookie cutter

2 chocolate chips for eyes

1 red M&M for the nose

2 pretzel twists for ears



### Music with Miss Sherri



It has been a great month of learning new songs, as well as traditional holiday ditties with the children and teachers at Ivy League. Songs include the Dreidle song, Jingle Bells, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer and many others. The children are highly focused, listening, and are being challenged in both the right and left hemispheres of their brains. Children who are normally very quiet are singing out in full voices. We play a variety of non-pitched rhythm instruments together, dance with scarves, prance and have a super fun time. Much thanks to all of the wonderful participatory teachers who support and encourage the students to be not only esteemed academics but also creative, respectful, and expressive budding musicians.

Miss Sherri is the Director of Honey Child Music, a certified P-3 certified teacher and music Specialist for over 17 years. She is available for Birthday Parties, Private Piano Lessons, Voice Lessons, and works one on one with children with special needs.

### Spanish with Señora Spinner



Bienvenidos to Spanish Class! We started off this year learning how to greet each other in Spanish by saying Buenos Días and asking ¿Cómo estás? The children really enjoy singing our new Spanish song! I've introduced new colors, shapes, and numbers in Spanish and I have been reinforcing them through games, songs, and worksheets. It's so important for children to have fun while they are learning! I look forward to watching the children grow in Spanish Class this year.

### Computers with Ms. Julia

iRead, iLearn, iThink, iDiscover  
The keyboard, the mouse, the CPU, and  
the monitor.

Learning the computer  
And all of its parts,  
Has been so much fun  
Right from the start.

### After School Programs

#### Yoga with Miss Marci:

Yoga is not only for adults! Starting yoga at an early age encourages self-esteem and body awareness with a physical activity that's not competitive. This ancient practice increases flexibility, coordination, and increases concentration. During the class the children learned techniques for self-health, relaxation and inner fulfillment. They enjoyed participating in fun strength building poses as well as breathing techniques to help increase calmness. Come see what the buzz is all about!



#### Sports & Games with Mr. John:

Your child will exercise, play, and learn about teamwork! Many sports will be introduced while they gain strength, balance, agility, and flexibility in a fun and positive environment.



**Classes almost full!**  
**Call to enroll today! 732-446-0401**

### Potato Latkes

2 cups peeled and shredded potatoes  
1 tablespoon grated onion  
3 eggs, beaten  
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/2 cup vegetable oil for frying



Place the potatoes in a cheesecloth and wring, extracting as much moisture as possible.

In a medium bowl stir the potatoes, onion, eggs, flour and salt together.

In a large heavy-bottomed skillet over medium-high heat, heat the oil until hot. Place large spoonfuls of the potato mixture into the hot oil, pressing down on them to form 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick patties. Brown on one side, turn and brown on the other. Let drain on paper towels. Serve hot!

## IVY LEAGUE PRE-SCHOOL PTA HAPPENINGS

Our Holiday Shoppe was a HUGE success! All of our students had a great time shopping for themselves and family members. A BIG thank you to all of our parents and teachers who assisted and volunteered their time -- we could not have done it without you! We will be using the money we raised to make generous donations to local charities and those in need. In addition, a portion of the proceeds will also be set aside for a special treat for our Ivy League students.

*We have MANY exciting events currently being planned.  
Please continue to check your e-mail for more information.*



# Ivy League Day Camp

**Continue Your Child's Ivy League Experience All Year Round!!**

At Ivy League Day Camp every day is a new adventure! Our camp program is based on an 8 week running session with flexibility. Meaning, you can choose to attend camp for the full 8 weeks, minimum of 4 weeks or anything in between. For ages 2 through 15, Ivy League offers an extraordinary range of premier sports, arts, aquatics and adventure activities to appeal to the interests and abilities of all campers. Throughout the summer campers have daily opportunities to play, learn and have incredible amounts of FUN!

**3, 4 and 5 Day Programs**

**Mini Day and Full Day Programs**

**Hot/Cold Lunch Served Daily**

**Programs for ages 2 - 15**

**American Red Cross Swim Instruction EVERY DAY**

**Door-to-Door and Central Pick Up**

**Age Appropriate Athletic & Creative Activities**

**13 Acre Campus with 5 Heated Pools, Athletic Fields, Mini Golf Course, Gymnastics Pavilion, Air-Conditioned Facilities, Go Carts, Archery, Rock Wall, Bumper Boats and much more!**

## OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, January 12th

Sunday, January 27th

11:00 - 2:00 PM

*Come tour our Camp facility and meet our Camp Directors.*

2019/2020 Ivy League Pre-School students and siblings receive **15% tuition discount** (7% for half year students).

Call (732) 446-7035 or stop by the Camp office for more Information.  
[www.ivyleaguedaycamp.com](http://www.ivyleaguedaycamp.com)

