



# LILLIPUT NEWSLETTER

## JANUARY 2012

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and **Happy New Year!!!**  
We hope your Holidays were peaceful and relaxing with time to enjoy your precious children. We missed you all and are glad to have you back for the rest of the school year!

**Many thanks** to all the parents who sent us such lovely and thoughtful gifts, Holiday cards and/or good wishes for the holidays. We all appreciate your thoughtfulness at this busy time of year.

Thank you,  
The Staff at Lilliput



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 1st .....New Years Day  
Jan 2.....closed last day of Vacation  
Jan 3.....Back to School  
Jan 16th...closed, Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Jan 25 & 26.....School Picture Days

### TAX TIME IS HERE!

**Tuition may be tax deductible** Check with your accountant to see if you can deduct your payments here at Lilliput

Our tax ID #is: **04-3162-287**



### SEATBELTS & CARSEATS SAFETY

Safety is one of our first priorities with every child. In the car line Lilliput teachers are required to correctly help your child into the appropriate car seat & see that they are in tightly & securely. If you have other wishes for your child's car seat sitting position, you need to park & put your child in yourself. The Lilliput teachers know they are not allowed to put a child into any car if they are not securing them in an appropriate car seat.





## SCHOOL PICTURES

Lilliput offers class and individual pictures taken by **Henry Grampietro**. Henry has taken pictures for us for the past 23 years. If you would like to see a sample of his work, stop by the office any time or visit his website at: [www.grampietro.com](http://www.grampietro.com)

He will be at Lilliput Wednesday January 25 & Thursday 26. Your child's picture day will be a day your child usually attends class. Watch for the picture envelope to come home soon in your child's backpack along with the prices and schedule for your child.

There will be a retake day TBA after pictures are returned for those who are absent on picture day or whose parents would like a retake photo.



## DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

We take the children outside for exercising & fresh air, to play & run on the playground every day we can even when it's cold and when it's snowy out! Children who are dressed properly love it!

Please dress your child according to the weather so they will be comfortable & enjoy being outside for the full time the class spends on the playground & on the porch.



## TUITION REMINDER:

9 Installment payment plan: a payment is due on or before *January 1st*.

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We give a 5 day grace period after which a standard \$15.00 late fee is assessed. If you pay late you are responsible for paying the late fee.

## SPARE CLOTHES IN THE BACKPACKS

We ask parents to have a full change of clothes(socks, underwear, pants & shirt)in a labeled Ziploc bag for their child in their child's back pack at all times. If you haven't already done so, we want to remind you it may be time to change those clothes to winter clothes and maybe a bigger size.

Accidents happen whether it's getting carried away at the water table, spilling juice at snack time, falling in mud on the playground or a bathroom accident, and when children can change into their own clothes they are much happier!

We do have school spare clothes but the selection has dwindled over the years. If you have any gently used clothes you no longer need we are looking for :



- girls pants in sizes 3T, 4T, 5/6 & 7
- boys pants in sizes 3T, 4T, 5/6 & 7



### THE GIFT OF TIME VS. CHALLENGING YOUR CHILD TO BE THEIR BEST

We have been educating & caring for children professionally since 1985 and have a highly educated, & dedicated teaching staff. Many of our teachers have their Masters degree in education. Combined we have over 281 years of teaching experience here at Lilliput!

We are seeing a common trend with parents who want to push their child ahead in school whether they are ready or not to be pushed. **Fostering a love for learning and motivating students is a delicate process.** We want to use our combined teaching knowledge & experience with children to help you know



if your child is ready to be pushed ahead or given the gift of repeating a year

before they move on to the next grade. I have never heard a parents say they regret giving their child an extra year but I have heard them say they regret pushing them ahead.

### NO TIME-CONSUMING OR COSTLY FUNDRAISERS

This is the first year in 26 years Lilliput has not done any shopping fundraisers. No Innisbrook, cookies or other products to buy or sell. We realize the economy is difficult & did not want to add any financial burden on any family to donate or sell for us. Instead we are Collecting **Box Tops** & have **other FREE fundraisers** we are asking you to participate in so that we can do special things activities with the children that are not in our budget. For example having a Puppeteers come again or the lizard man & his reptile friends visit or other extra circular activities.



Collecting **Box Tops** will not cost you a dime but will give us a dime! Just clip or tear off any box Top coupons from products you typically uses & save them for us.



Sign up your **Price Chopper Advantage Card!!!** At no cost you, you can help us do more for the students. Out of almost 300 students we have only 32 parent's who re-enrolled their **Advantage Card** with Lilliput. You can do it online, at the store, or we will do it for you.

**Lilliput's Price Chopper code is: 39652**

## FIRE SAFETY

We are excited! the Shrewsbury Fire department will be visiting Lilliput on January 11th & 12th to give a presentation to each class. They will be dressing up in their equipment, discussing fire safety at an age appropriate level for the classes they visit, & we are hoping they will bring the fire truck!

For this to be more beneficial to your child & family the firefighters recommend you talk about fire safety in your home with your child. They also advise you to designate a predetermined "safe place" to meet out in your yard if you ever have a fire in your house.



Thank you for collecting box tops. This month we received 450! Our boxtop winner for December was Gregory Welch from Ms. Jeffrey's room. Gregory won **50 travel games and activities** from Usborne books.

Attached to this newsletter please find the January Boxtop collection sheet and directions

## TRINITY OPTICAL COMPANY



Voted Best Optical Shop in Metro West, 10 years in a row!

Bring in your prescription & find the best frame & lens for your vision with us. See better than you have in years. We cater to you & your family 's vision needs.

**For Lilliput families, 20% off your optical order, just mention this add.**

**Location:** Nob Scot Shopping Plaza in Framingham MA

**Address:** 778 Water Street, Framingham.MA

**Phone:** 508-788-0472

## Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage

Amulya Mahal, the proud parent of a Lilliput graduate is a real estate agent working at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, of Shrewsbury.

If you are in the market to buy a new home or sell your existing home please contact Amulya. She will work with you to make the home buying and selling process



both profitable and satisfying and tailored to your individual needs. You may contact her via email or cell. She is looking forward to helping Lilliput families and meeting your real estate goals.

Amulya Mahal

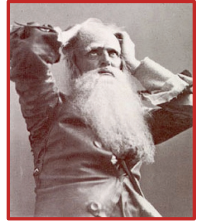
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## PLUMBING

Are you pulling out your hair and turning grey over plumbing and heating problems? For your plumbing, heating and gas fitting needs call:



**Jason Ravitz, Master Plumber.**

508-523-3004

MPL# 13672

## SHREWSBURY CHILD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Please join us for our January Neighborhood Tour at SHARC. The tour will begin at 10am and will be about an hour. The children can try out the Under 10 Tennis while the Mom's learn about aquatics, youth programs and nutrition in our Tennis Hallway. You will spend 30 minutes in the court/hallway while the children play tennis and other games to keep them entertained by one of the SHARC staff members. The younger children can stay with the mom's. After half an hour we will all move to the Birthday Party Hallway for craft time. Mom's can take a tour of the club if they like and enjoy craft time with the kids. Space is limited, so please register at [Scdckids@scdc.org](mailto:Scdckids@scdc.org). Please include the name(s) and age(s) of the little ones that will be attending.

Wednesday, January 11th 10a.m.

Shrewsbury Health and Racquet Club

(SHARC)

3 Tennis Drive

Shrewsbury, MA