

# Pratt Newsletter

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Community Education

SCHOOL AGE CARE

Minneapolis Kids



Kids

Welcome:

Before School

6:30-8:55

After School

3:30-6:00

## Classroom News

With the weather changing please remember to have your child dress warmly. We go outside each morning and each afternoon.

Your kids will need their outside clothes so do not bring them to their lockers before coming to Mpls Kids.

We have been enjoying a variety of art, science, math, physical, and social activities. Some favorites are legos, light up legos, stomp rockets, Playdough, the digital microscope, and dramatic play.

In October we learned about bats and nocturnal

creatures, all about bones, spiders and reptiles. We also focused on peace and mediation. The kids have been practicing quiet mediation and reflections each day and have gotten very good at being tranquil.



## NON SCHOOL DAYS

For non school days Pratt students combine with Dowling students at Dowling. Please remember to sign your child up at least two weeks in advance if you need care.

Thursday **November 1st:**  
**Bell Museum Fieldtrip**  
2088 Larpenteur Ave. W St.  
Paul MN 55113

Friday **November 2nd:**  
**Fall Festival On site**

Wednesday **November 21st:**  
**Service Project On site**

## Accreditation and DHS Certification

Pratt Minneapolis Kids is accredited through the Minnesota Afterschool Accreditation Program (MAAP), and a certified Center (DHS). We are excited to be recognized as a program that promotes quality based on researched best practices in the field of School Age Care.

Some of these areas include relationships, safety, health and nutrition, indoor space and environment, programming and activities, and supporting and inspiring learning. Quality school age care programs have been shown to improve academic performance, self esteem, and avoidance of future harmful activities.

## Staff

Tom Orbison, Maggie Hartzell, and Holly Hoffman are Pratt's wonderful CCA's. They all bring a fun and joyful energy to the program. They are energetic and enthusiastic. Together we form a great team. If you have any questions, concerns, or requests just let us know. We are interested in providing child driven programming here at Pratt.

## MPS 2018 Referendum

The MPS Strong Referendum is one important piece to creating a strong sustainable school district for the communities of Minneapolis. If passed, the referendum will give MPS access to an additional \$30 million of revenue. The funds will be used across the district to improve student achievement and well-being through equitable investments in literacy, social emotional learning, and support services.

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2018 Referendum