

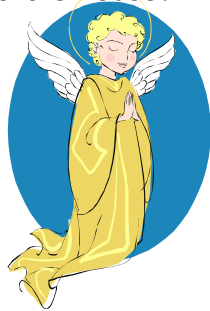


St. John Preschool
Wheaton, IL
November 29, 2009

Mrs. Scheel's Classroom Newsletter

Welcome Back!

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving break! I want to thank each of you for the kindness and well wishes for a happy birthday. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated. I have been having a great time over the past week planning for my time with our little ones and can't wait for you to see all that we will be packing into the next three weeks. It is such a blessed season! Please know as always that we would love to have you worship with us here at St. John. Our weekend services are Saturday evening at 6 and Sunday at 7:45, 9:00, and 11:15. We also have special Wednesday Advent services at 12:15 and 7. What better place to enjoy the blessed season than in the Lord's house!



Prayer for our school year

Dear Lord,
Grant that we may grow to know you better each day.
Help us to follow your example and to let your light shine through all that we say and do.
Amen

Circle Learning

This week we begin learning about the birth of our Lord. We will start with the angels and the important place they have in Jesus' story. We will be combining our over all theme with our Jesus time theme so the children will have even more time to learn and explore the wonderful lessons to be learned.

Jesus Time

We are officially moving into the New Testament and will start this week with our angel stories. We will begin with Gabriel's visit to Mary. We will also be covering Joseph's dreams and the multitude of angels visiting the shepherds. This is a wonderful opportunity to discuss how God used the angels as messengers and how He shared the great news of Jesus' coming.

Music and Movement

We continue to prepare for our exciting Christmas program on Monday, December 7th. We are working hard to learn some very special songs and poems and can't wait to share them with you soon! Also with the change in seasons we will be enjoying the use of our gym even more. We have such a fast moving day that we hate to lose too much of it in getting dressed and undressed for only a few minutes of outside play. But have no fear we will have lots of wonderful chances to move and exercise our little bodies.

December's Birthdays

13 - Seth

25 - Jackson



A Peek Ahead to Next Week

Shepherds and Sheep and how we are all invited to the stable to worship Christ!

Parent Corner

Our students will have the wonderful opportunity to take part in helping out with our Christmas Sharing event here at St. John. We will be heading downstairs this week to do a little "work" sorting donated food. We will be talking about how we take care of others and how good it is to help one another. As a little bonus, we will also be practicing our sorting skills as well as counting and using "reading" clues to identify the objects we are sorting. How fun it will be to wrap service and learning together.

*The preschool will also be supporting Christmas Sharing by collecting new hats and mittens. We will have a spot in the hall to hang any donations you would like to make. We also continue to accept food donations this week.

*Please continue to save toilet and wrapping paper tubes for our preschool projects.

Sing Along Fun Angels We have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing over the plains
And the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains
Gloria in excelsis Deo

*Come one come all to the
Preschool/Pre-Kindergarten
Christmas Program*

Monday, December 7th
6:30-7:30 p.m.
St. John Sanctuary

