

# St. John Pre-Kindergarten Newsletter

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November 30 - December 4, 2009  
Week Thirteen



## Heart To Heart Teaching and Reaching For Jesus

### Gathering Time:

- ♥ Theme: Getting Ready for Christmas
- ♥ Advent, Angels

This week we will:

- ♥ Get our voices ready for our "Christmas Sing."
- ♥ We will begin to talk about the how the first Christmas came to be so long ago!

### Upcoming Dates

- ◆ IT'S ALMOST HERE!! Monday, Dec. 7 at 6:30 pm - PS/PK "Christmas Sing" in the St. John Sanctuary located on the main campus. **Doors will open at 6:15 pm at the church!**
- ◆ Next chapel - Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> and Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Please continue to bring canned and boxed dry goods to this chapel.
- ◆ No School - Christmas Break; December 21 - January 1. School back in session on January 4, 2010!

### Jesus Time:

Theme: The Angel Visits Mary

- ♥ Luke 1:26-33, 46-55

During our time together we will talk about how:

- ♥ Through the Angel Gabriel, God gave Mary the Good News message that soon Jesus, the Savior would be born.

### Music and Movement

This week our children will enjoy:

- ♥ Practicing their Christmas selections for the "Christmas Sing."
- ♥ Their music time with Miss Kindschi.

### Prayer for our year

Almighty God, heavenly Father you have blessed us with the joy and care of your children. As we work with these precious children, give us calm strength and patient wisdom that we may teach them with joy and in love, following the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

### Science Center:

Theme: Living or Not Living?

- ♥ This week our children will again continue to discuss the differences between living and non-living things as we watch our world around us change for the winter.

Theme: Measuring Tools

- ♥ This week our science explorers will once again work with rice. While using their hands and minds, the children will continue to search for hidden objects and then be asked to sort, count, and do various other tasks with what they find.

### Math Center:

This week our children will:

- ♥ Work on the concept "Parts and Whole" and complete a booklet on the math subject.
- ♥ Continue to work in small group settings on a variety of assorted centers around the room.

## Language Arts Time



Using the Reading Street Curriculum:

This week our children will:

- ♥ Read *A House for Hermit Crab*.
- ♥ Build their vocabulary using their new amazing words; *crab, shell, decorate, inside, empty, and outgrown*.
- ♥ Always continuing to work on the proper holding of writing tools and the printing of their names.

*“Jesus loves the little children.”*

## Language Arts Cont....

- ♥ Work on the first letter in the letter **Bb** booklet, work on the Letter **Bb** paper tiles, and work with the practice alphabet boards in small groups.
- ♥ Continue to practice writing their names legibly.
- ♥ Introduce a word web and elaborate on the word “house” with the children.
- ♥ Draw a picture of their home.

## Notes & News & More....

A quick few notes:

- ♥ Parents I bring yet another great “event” that will be happening in our building! The weekend of December 11/12 we will be hosting a program called “Christmas Sharing” where families from Wheaton can come and receive food, clothing and toys for Christmas. This year we have been told we will have over 175 families who have qualified for this program. Already your canned goods will help with the food part of this event. In the past our children contributed in another way, we gave hats and mittens for the children. So beginning November 30, the day we return from break, we will be collecting hats and mittens for our little friends. Look for the display when you come in after break. Thanks so much parents and children.
- ♥ When your child is sick or will miss school, please call 630.668.0701 touch \* 519 and leave me, Mrs. Gaede the message. I will call it in to the school office with the preschool absentee count. Thanks so much.
- ♥ Christmas Parties - Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, the last hour of each session! Parents needed to help with the afternoon group!

December Birthday - Hannah Bartlebaugh - December 31

## December Chapel Schedule:

Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:45am/ Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 pm (we will be still be collecting Canned Goods at this Chapel)