

PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

December 3, 2021

Dear Parents,

I hope all of you had a blessed and restful Thanksgiving break!

As we started our week finishing the last two days in November, I cannot believe that December is here. We have many festive activities planned as we prepare for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our campus is beautifully decorated with wreaths, garlands, lights and poinsettias.

This month we will focus on the Core Value of "Love". "Love one another; as I have loved you". (John 13:34)

This week the preschool teachers talked about the first week of Advent. They set up their advent wreaths on the prayer table. The children made a wreath.

The Sunflower teachers introduced the letter "Gg" and the children added cut out grapes to their letter. The children also traced and colored the shape of the month, which is the "square". During Spanish, the children colored and counted snowmen.

The Buzzy Bee teachers introduced the letter "Dd" and number "7". The teachers read the letter books and sang the letter song. This week the Buzzy Bees traveled on Imaginary Airlines to "England". The children were able to taste English cookies and had decaffeinated tea.

Parents, in the spirit of giving and sharing, I want to thank you for giving your child a coin or dollar to donate to the Missionary Childhood Association. Our special coin jar is on a table as you enter the main entrance.

The preschool along with the upper graded school will participate in the Toys for Tots, toy drive. Please bring in a new, unwrapped game or toy that will not need batteries.

I want to thank the families who brought the muffins (Salinas, Mesnik, Burdine & Cochran) veggies (Williams) and fresh fruit (McGuire, Zaborowski &). We greatly appreciate all of your help. Thank you for donating all of the muffins, fresh veggies and fresh fruit.

You are invited to the Preschool Christmas Program on Friday, December 17th at 9:30 am out on the basketball court. Following the program, each class will have a small "Happy Birthday Jesus" celebration out on their playground. Mrs. Mendoza's class will have their celebration in the garden. We will continue the celebration of the birth of Jesus with a visit from the Three Wise Men. Please send a small, wrapped gift for your child, labeled with their name and that the gift be acceptable for school (ex. coloring book/crayons, books, dolls, stuffed animals etc...) Please do not send action figures, Barbie dolls, play weapons etc.. As the children enjoy their celebration, the Three Wise Men will visit to bring their gifts.

The teachers will be discreetly collecting the gifts, so that it will be a surprise for the children. We would like the gifts to be sent in no later than Tuesday, December 14.

On Friday, December 17, is a half day with No PM care. The preschool will close at noon. Please be sure to make pick up arrangements.

If your child is absent, please call or email the school at 619-641-7954 or preschooldir@nazarethschool.org

Parents, please keep your child home if she/he is presenting any of the following Covid-19 symptoms:

- Fever with or without chills
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Nasal Congestion
- Sore Throat
- Headache
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Fatigue
- New loss of taste or smell
- Muscle or body aches
- Poor feeding or poor appetite
- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have Covid-19

In order for your child to return to school he or she must be tested. If the test is negative, and your child's symptoms have improved and fever free for 24 hours with no medication, then your child may return. If you decide that you do not want to test your child, then your child must stay home for at least 10 days after symptom onset, regardless of vaccination status. Return on or after Day 11 with improving symptoms if fever free and no use of fever reducing medicines in the last 24 hours. (This information is on the Updated Childcare Decision Tree September 13, 2021) You are able to view and read the Decision Tree on our school website under Preschool. If your child has allergies, please be sure to bring in a doctor's note, otherwise we will send your child home.

Please be sure to check your child's file folder every day and return your family envelope by Thursday. Place it in your child's file folder.

Thank you and have a blessed weekend!

Dates to Remember:

Dec. 6- St. Nicholas Day

Dec. 8- Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Dec. 12- Dia de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Dec. 17- Preschool Christmas Program 9am / Half Day / NO PM Care

Sincerely,

Georgina Barragan

Nazareth Preschool Director