



Pilgrim Preschool Newsletter

December 2017

FATHER'S/VIP NIGHT....

Thanks for a great Father's Night! It looked like everyone had a FUN time! If you had your picture taken they should be in soon.

CHRISTMAS GIVING...

Pilgrim Preschool is sponsoring two (2) area families in need. One family is from Delshire and the other is from CO Harrison. If you would like to donate a Christmas gift(s) for one of our needy families, please come to the office. We have a basket of "candy canes," each with a small gift request attached to it. After you have chosen one, please register whichever gift you have chosen on the sign-up sheet. Each gift should be returned to the office wrapped, with the candy cane attached to the outside of the gift. All gifts must be in the preschool office **no later than December 15th**. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES...

Our Christmas parties will be December 21st (3 day) and 22nd (2 Day). The children will have a very busy and exciting day. They will sing Christmas songs with Miss Lynne, take a ride through a winter wonderland, visit with Mr. & Mrs. Claus, and eat a yummy snack.

Parents may sign up at each classroom door to bring a special holiday snack or napkins. If you have already brought a snack please give others a chance. We are asking for specific "safe snacks," to eliminate any allergic reactions.

We will also need "elf" helpers for the Christmas party days. The elf helpers will not be in the classroom. They will be in the multi-purpose room helping with snack and assisting Mr. & Mrs. Claus. You may sign up to be an "elf" at each classroom as well. You will not receive a helper credit for that day, but you will have lots of fun. We always appreciate your help.

CHRISTMAS BREAK... Our last day of school will be December 21st (3 day) or 22nd (2 Day). We will be on Christmas Break from December 25th-January 5th. We will return to school on Monday January 8th.

Have a great Christmas Break! Relax and Enjoy time with family and friends!

SNOW PROCEDURES...

In the event Oak Hills Local School District cancels its classes due to inclement weather, our preschool will also be canceled. If Oak Hills is on a two-hour delay, our morning session will be canceled. It will not affect the PM session. If weather conditions worsen after school is in session and Oak Hills cancels afternoon kindergarten, we will not have afternoon classes at Pilgrim. Please listen to your local radio stations (102.7, 94.1, 107.1, 92.5, 700 WLW-AM) and Channel 12 WKRC for Oak Hills cancellation announcements. You may also log on to www.wkrc.com for a list of closings. If you have any questions please let us know. **Snow days** are also covered on page 10 of the Parent Handbook.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE POLICY....

With the cold weather upon us, we know it also brings many illnesses. Please be aware of our communicable disease policy. It is on page 14/15 of our Parent Handbook. Children must be symptom free (without medication) before they will be readmitted to school. This means no fever, or vomiting, or other symptoms within the last 24 hours. If you have any questions please call the office. Thank you for following our policy. We want to keep everyone healthy for the holidays.

If there is an illness going around the school, or your child's classroom we will post signs outside of each classroom.

FUN & QUICK CHRISTMAS RECIPE... Candy Ornaments

Knead 1 lb. store-bought sugar-cookie dough and 2/3 cup all-purpose flour. Roll to 1/4" thick. Cut ornament shapes with a 2-3/4" cutter; use a straw to remove a small circle at the top. Place 2" apart on cookie sheets

and bake at 350°F for 7 to 9 minutes. Tint store-bought or homemade Frosting the color you want. Frost the cookies and let dry at least 4 hours. Microwave Tootsie Roll Fruit Chews for a few seconds, then flatten with a rolling pin to 1/8" thick. Ask the kids to cut into strips with a pizza wheel. Secure on cookies with a drop of water. Thread twine or ribbon through holes if desired.

"POPCORN FUNDRAISER"

Our Popcorn Palace Fundraiser will come to a close on December 1st. Please make sure all orders are in by that date.

Thank you in advance for your participation. We are hoping it will be a huge success. We are expecting orders before Christmas Break.

SCHOLASTIC ORDER....

The orders are due by December 6th, in order to get it in by Christmas Break. The online code is H6NPN.

REMINDERS & FYI..

- Please put your child's name on his/her coat, hat, mittens, etc.
- Please make sure you have a change of clothes in your child's bag (including socks). Make sure they are appropriate for cold weather.
- Please DO NOT ENTER through the EXIT in the parking lot. This has become very dangerous. If you have a family member dropping off make sure they are aware of the drop off and pick up procedures.
- **In-House Registration information will go home as soon as we return from Christmas Break. Registration for new families will begin mid-January.**
- Check out Pilgrim Preschool's Facebook page.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FILL YOUR HEARTS WITH LOVE, LAUGHTER AND JOY.