

St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

December 20 16

Upcoming Events

Chapel

Every Wednesday
9:30am- Frog, Giraffe and Elephant
class

10:00-Owl and Butterfly Class.
*Parents are always welcome to
attend.*

Dec 1

See's Candy pick up. See
Colleen in the office

Dec 16

Holiday Program at 6:30

Dec 23

Baby Jesus Birthday Party

Dec 26-Jan 2

Closed for Winter Break

Looking forward to next month

Jan 3

School reopens after
Christmas Break

Jan 12

PJ Story Night

Jan 16

School closed for MLK Day

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Director's News

Dear Families,

Welcome to December! Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with family, friends and good food!

So much is happening as we begin to get ready for Christmas! We are practicing our songs for our program and busy making decorations to make our school look great! We hope you have saved the date of our Christmas Program. You won't want to miss it! As a reminder, you will drop off your kids to us by 6:15, and then walk over to the church. We will come in class by class and entertain you with Holiday Songs. The program will end with a short skit featuring all the children as we celebrate the First Christmas. Afterwards we will come back to the school for cookies and cocoa.

We welcomed our new Owl Teacher, Ms. Jessy to our school. Ms. Jessy had subbed here years ago, and we were so happy to have her back on a permanent basis. She officially starts Dec 1st, but has been here the last few days getting to know the children and our routine. Please stop by and say hi!

Along with St. Michael's Church, the preschool is "adopting" several children for the holidays. A Christmas tree with the children's wishes is next to the sign in area. The needs are simple, and we hope that we can bless all of them. If you are able and wish to participate, please pick up a "wish" and let me know which tag you have taken. Wrapped gifts need to be returned to me by Dec 12th. Thank you for helping make a child's wish come true!

I wanted to let you know a little in advance to expect a tuition increase in the New Year. We anticipate an increase of between 2-4% of your current tuition. We hope you feel it is worth it, we still have one of the most reasonable school tuition's around. When the rates have been set by the board, you will be notified with a 30 day notice to increase.

This month is always so much fun. Gift making, tree trimming, visits with a special jolly fellow, just to name a few. One of the best parts of the holiday for me is to reflect on my many blessings. All of you wonderful families here at St. Michael's are included in those blessings! I hope your holidays are wonderful, thank you for all you do for us.

See you next month,

Ms. Colleen



Pre-K Frogs News

It is the most wonderful time of the year! It is so exciting for me to share my excitement and the anticipation of the Christmas season with your child. I'm looking forward to making many decorations and ornaments for your home that I am sure you will cherish for many years. We will also be making a gift for you as well. ☺

The Pre-K Frog class might even be getting a special visitor from the North Pole, we will have to wait and see! So here's to a fun filled month! Wishing all of my special families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

See you next year,

Love,
Ms. Diana



Pre-K Giraffe News

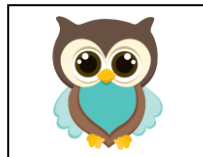
Hi Giraffe Families,

The children were really excited to implement the behavior chart this past month, which I feel has heightened the morale of the class. Everyone is encouraging each other to be a super student! I also have had the opportunity to see where each child is currently in the development and will adjust lesson plans accordingly. I am looking forward to all of the holiday crafts and talking more about why we actually celebrate Christmas. My hope for the New Year to come is for our communication to grow and relationships to strengthen. I can't stress it enough, a great way to stay updated is through the Remind app on your smartphone.

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven"
Ecclesiastes 3:1

With lots of love and happy holidays!
Ms. Shonece

Owl Class News



Hello Owl Families,

I have just begun to meet you and your wonderful children but I can tell we are going to have so much fun together. I officially start on Dec 1st, but have spent several mornings getting to know the routine and the children. I am excited to get to know everyone and to become a part of the St. Michael's family.

Please stop by and say hello if you haven't already. I look forward to meeting all of you.

This month I was able to plan with Ms. Miriam so the activities will be consistent with what they are used to. We will be spending our days getting ready for the Christmas program, decorating our classroom and learning about Christmas.

Merry Christmas to All!

Love,
Ms. Jessy

Chapel Topics

Dec 7 John the Baptist

Dec 14 Mary

Dec 21 Birth of Jesus



Elephant Class News

Hi Elephant Families,

November like all months, was busy for us here in the Elephant class! We've learned all about families; who lives in our family and how all families are different. We talked about our homes and things we are thankful for. In the coming month we will be reviewing our letters and learning about Christmas and how it is celebrated in different ways around the world. We will also be talking and celebrating the birth of baby Jesus. A few reminders for the coming months: we will have our Christmas program on Dec 16th at 6:30 and we are closed the week between Christmas and New Year. Please remember that the weather has changed, so make sure your child dresses accordingly.

I am very thankful this year to have such a great group of students as well as you great parents. Without your help and support I wouldn't have such a great class.

Love,
Ms. Miriam



Butterfly Class News

Hi Butterfly Families,

Happy Holidays! This last month the Butterflies had a great time with our gross motor skills! The Butterflies learned new songs, movements and dance steps. The highlight of this month was the fruit/veggie tasting and when Ms. Tiffany painted the Butterflies little feet!

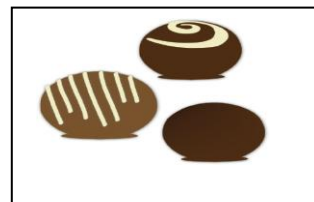
This month we are going to learn about Christmas around the world, celebrate Christmas and learn about baby Jesus. We are also practicing our songs for the Christmas program. We will continue to work on our social and emotional skills with skills such as using our words, being gentle with our hands and sharing with our friends. We will also spend time working on a special something for a special someone!

We hope that you and your family have a wonderful Christmas break and we will see you next year!

Have a great month,
Kittie and Tiffany

See's Candy Fundraiser

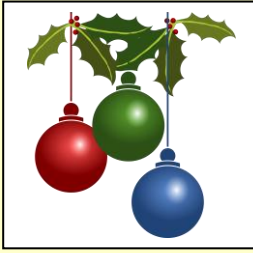
Our See's Candy Fundraiser did very well. As I am typing this, I don't have the exact total of monies raised (I have a few last minute orders) but it looks like we did very well! Thank you for participating. The top seller was Vivienne Leffler and family, 2nd and 3rd went to Hudson and Lucas Nguyen and family, and Sophia Ellis and family. All classes will be treated to a pizza party this month and the top 3 get special prizes!



December Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Sand' Peaches Milk	2 Mac and Cheese Carrots Applesauce Milk	
	5 Bow Tie Pasta with Meat Garden Salad Pineapple Milk	6 Baked Beans with Hot Dogs Cornbread Apple Milk	7 Teriyaki Chicken and Rice Green Beans Oranges Milk	8 Beef Stew with Potatoes Sliced Bread Peaches Milk	9 English Muffin Cheese Pizza Peas Pineapple Milk	
	12 Chicken Nuggets French Bread Garden Salad Peaches Milk	13 Bean and Cheese Burrito Mixed Veggies Oranges Milk	14 Chili with Meat and Cheese French Bread Apples Milk	15 Taco Salad with Meat and Cheese Tortillas Pears Milk	16 Turkey Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Mixed Veg Milk	
	19 Mac and Cheese Peas Bananas Milk	20 Spanish Rice with Meat and Cheese Spinach Apples Milk	21 Black Beans and Chicken Cornbread Oranges Milk	22 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Green Beans Applesauce Milk	23 Turkey Tacos with Meat, Cheese Garden Salad Bananas Milk	
	26	27	28	29	30	
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December Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Blueberry Muffins and Bananas Granola Bar with Apples	2 Oatmeal and Milk Graham Crackers with Cream Cheese and Bananas	
	5 Pancakes with Syrup and Milk Corn Chips with Guacamole and Salsa	6 Biscuits and Jelly with Apple Juice Tuna Salad with Wheat Crackers	7 Cheerios with Bananas and Milk Cheeze It Crackers and Pear Slices	8 Cinnamon Toast with Orange Juice Cornbread and Oranges	9 Yogurt with Granola and Peaches Pepper Slices with Hummus and Pita Chips	
	12 Waffles with Jam and Milk Celery and Carrots with Ranch and Rice Cakes	13 Life Cereal and Milk Trail Mix and Pears	14 Bagels and Cream Cheese with Pears Cinnamon Toast and Apples	15 Granola Bar and Applesauce Cheddar Cheese and Ritz	16 Oat Bran Muffins with Orange Slices Tortilla Rollups with Turkey and Cream Cheese	
	19 Oat Bran Muffins and Milk Graham Crackers with Cream Cheese and Bananas	20 Life Cereal with Bananas and Milk Cheese Quesadillas	21 English Muffins with Apple Slices Ritz Crackers and Cheddar	22 Waffles with Jelly and Fresh Pears Triscuit Crackers and Tuna Salad	23 Whole Grain Bagels with Cream Cheese and Orange Juice Ham Slices with Cream Cheese and French Bread	