

# St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

## December 2019

### Upcoming Events

#### Chapel

Every *Tuesday*  
9:30am- Frog, Monkey and Elephant class  
10:00-Owl, Butterfly, Turtle and Ladybug  
Class.

*Parents are always welcome to attend*

#### Dec 2

See's Candy due

#### Dec 13

Christmas Program @ 6:30 in the church

#### Dec 24-Jan 1

Closed for Christmas Break

### Looking forward to next month

#### Jan 2

Reopen after Winter Break

#### Jan 20

Closed for MLK Birthday

*Merry Christmas*



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### Colleen's Corner

Dear Families,

Well November seemed to fly right by! No worries, we are in the best month of the year!! So much to look forward to. I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. While we were closed, one of our amazing parents, Sean Shirley, came in and installed laminate flooring in the Tiger Room! Thank you, Sean! We just have the Frog Room left to do, hopefully over Christmas Break!

For the last 2 years, we have used some of the proceeds from the See's Candy Fundraiser to purchase laminate flooring. This year we just get to buy new materials for the kids! How fun is that? Don't forget, the order forms and payment are due on Monday, Dec 2. Expect your candy to be here by Dec 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support, I wonder who the top seller will be????

Drum roll please.... our Annual Christmas Program is Friday, Dec 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Church. Please dress your child in their holiday clothes and have them back to us by 6:15. We will get them ready and come over for the best entertainment you have ever seen! They have been practicing so hard, I can't wait till you see them. After the program, we will come back to the preschool for crafts, and to the Parish Hall for snacks. All friends and family are welcome, but be advised that the parking lot gets full quickly. Plenty of parking on the street though!

This year has been eventful! We started the year licensed for 60, and we end the year licensed for 90! We opened 2 new classrooms, saw some staff leave, and then we saw them come back. We wished Ms. Shonece good luck as she opened St. John's Preschool. Throughout the year, we have always had the support of you amazing families. I am so thankful that we have such a "village" here. You and your children make coming to work fun! Thank you for a great year, and we are all looking forward to the New Year. May this holiday season bring you happiness and joy.

Merry Christmas

Until next month,  
Ms. Colleen



## Pre-K Frogs News

Hello Frog Families,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your loved ones. We sure do have a lot of things to be thankful for. This past month we continued to work in our workbooks on our letters and letter sounds.

It is the most magical time of the year! It is so exciting for me to share my excitement and the anticipation of the Christmas season with your child. We will be doing many Christmas crafts for you to cherish for years to come. We will also be talking about and celebrating the birth of baby Jesus. We might even have a special visitor from the North Pole.... we have to wait and see.

I am very thankful to have such a great group of kids as well as some awesome parents. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,  
Ms. Diana



## Pre-K Tiger News

Dear Tiger Families,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday with your loved ones. This past month we continued to work in our workbooks, work on letter recognition and letter sounds and we also talked about what we are thankful for. Thanks to everyone who brought fruit to share for our cornucopia friendship snack, they really loved it. I want to congratulate Travis; he can recognize all the letters of the alphabet! Good Job Travis!!

December is one of our favorite times of the year! Christmas is one of my favorite holidays with all the beautiful lights, decorations and the fun of Santa. This month we will be learning about the meaning of Christmas and the birth of baby Jesus. We will also be making many beautiful decorations for your home as well as a special gift for you to cherish for many years. I heard from Sparkle (our elf on the shelf) and she told me that we might have a special visitor from the North Pole coming to visit us here!

Wishing you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love,  
Ms. Misti



## Elephant Class News

Happy Holidays to all my Elephant families,

Wow, has time gone by quick! We are now in December and getting ready for our holiday fun. This month we will start with Christmas around the world, learning how others celebrate this special season. Then we will move into our Christmas fun! Making wreaths, trees, candy canes and so much more. Before our Christmas break, we will celebrate baby Jesus' birthday, where we read about the day our savior was born. I am so proud of how much our Pre-K friends have accomplished in their workbooks, and although we still have a lot to finish, they haven't stopped working hard on learning and writing new letters.

We have a few events going on this month such as our Christmas Program on the 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm. Our Christmas break starts on the 24<sup>th</sup> and we will return back to school on January 2, 2020! Feels strange to write that! I hope everyone has a great holiday season and you enjoy this time with your family and friends.

Love,  
Ms. Miriam

## Owl Class News



Hello Owl Families,

Gobble gobble! What a thankful month we had. We had so many fun-filled activities, lots of arts and crafts! Our classroom was full of turkeys ready for Thanksgiving! The Owls and I did an amazing science experiment called Glitter Germs. We dipped our fingers in water mixed with glitter. The glitter stayed stuck to our fingers! However, when we dipped our fingers in soap and then in the glitter water the glitter did not stick to our fingers! The kids were pretty amazed! Turkey plates was another great project. The Owls colored a paper plate with a brown crayon, then glued the eyes and beak and finished with the colorful feathers. The Owls also made turkey footprints. They used their hands to make the turkey footprints. We put the turkey footprints up in the classroom and it looked like the turkeys came to our class and made a mess!

During circle time we talked about what we are thankful for. And, of course most responses were their mommies' and daddies'. Well, I am thankful for such a great group of smart Owls in my class! Now that Thanksgiving has ended let's start getting into the Christmas spirit! I have some fun and exciting activities, planned, so get ready!

Always,

Mr. Louis

### *Chapel Topics*

Dec 3 John the Baptist

Dec 10-Mary

Dec 17-The Birth of Jesus

## Ladybug Class



Dear Ladybug Families,

Hello and Happy Holidays! I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and enjoyed some time with your loved ones. Here in the Ladybug class we definitely have grown close over the past several weeks. They have been learning the meaning of the word "Thankful", sharing their family with all of us, and we had our very own Thanksgiving lunch where we prayed and passed food around.

Every month we have several letters that we focus on and review everyday during circle time as well as shapes and colors. It is important that they recognize not only the letters in their name, but all the letters of the alphabet. I know our schedules are very busy as parents, but something as simple as asking your child what letter they are working on that week could help your child remember the letter, what sound it makes, or what starts with that letter. These are all things we talk about during circle time.

We are now entering the Christmas season, which means fun crafts, the use of imagination, and of course music rehearsals for our yearly Christmas Program. This year, the Christmas program will be on Friday Dec 16<sup>th</sup>. We hope you can all make it and see your little one shine.

Don't forget our Christmas break, I hope you are all able to enjoy time with family and friends.

See you in the New Year!!

Love, Ms. Jessy



## Turtle Class News



### Hello Turtle Families

Happy Holidays! Last month the turtles welcomed new friends to our classroom. We had fun exploring the classroom, they sure love the loft! We really enjoyed our Thanksgiving feast, pumpkin pie tasting and painting our turkeys.

This month we're going to learn about Christmas, and Baby Jesus. It is a short month and we are going to be very busy! We will be working on making gifts for our families, and enjoying lots of Christmas crafts.

Thank you to the families for purchasing toys for our classroom from the toy-raiser. We were able to get three new toys for the class. Also, thank you for the wonderful gift cards for our classroom, we really appreciate it.

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

Love,  
Ms. Kittie

## Butterfly Bulletin



Hello Butterfly Families!

Happy Holidays! Last month we had a lot of fun moving our bodies and playing outside in the wonderful fall weather. We also really enjoyed our Thanksgiving feast, the pumpkin pie tasting and the feather and corn painting!

We have lots of fun planned for December! We are going to learn about Christmas, Baby Jesus and even learn a little about Christmas around the world. We are also going to focus on social and emotional skills. This includes helping our butterflies react appropriately when they get upset, using our words, using gentle hands and turning taking with our friends. Most exciting we will be working on special Christmas gifts for our parents.

Everyone is welcome to join us for our Christmas Program, Dec 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Your little ones are working hard to learn their songs. Looking forward to a great month!  
Love,

Miss Keri



# December Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	2 Rotini Pasta with Meat Sauce Green Beans Pineapple Milk	3 Sloppy Joes Peas & Carrots Oranges Milk	4 Mac and Cheese Corn Mixed Fruit Milk	5 Spanish Rice Salad Apples Milk	6 Beanie Weenies Wheat Bread Applesauce Milk		
	9 Tacos Garden Salad Mixed Fruit Milk	10 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Peas Oranges Milk	11 Enchilada Casserole Salad Pineapple Milk	12 Cheese Zombies Tomato Soup Apples Milk	13 Chicken Nuggets Peas Pears Milk		
	16 Chili Mac Corn Pears Milk	17 Pizza Rounds Green Beans Peaches Milk	18 Bean and Cheese Burrito Oranges Milk	19 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Bread Apples Milk	20 Tuna Sandwich Veg Sticks Applesauce Milk		
	23 Meatball with Rice Mixed Veggies Pineapple Milk	ST. MICHAEL'S IS CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK					
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# December Snack Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	2 Cinnamon Raisin Toast with Jam and Milk  Almond Butter and Ritz with Bananas	3 French Toast Sticks and Pears  Cereal Bars and Apples	4 Blueberry Muffins and Milk  Cinnamon Toast with Applesauce	5 Graham Crackers and Cr. Cheese and Oranges  Cheez Its and Fruit	6 Biscuits with Almond Butter and Oranges  Trail Mix and Orange Juice		
	9 Yogurt with Granola  Cheese Quesadillas	10 Chex Cereal and Milk  Refried Beans and Cheese and Chips	11 Scrambled Eggs with OJ  Granola Bars and Fresh Fruit	12 English Muffins with Melted Cheese  String Cheese and Apples	13 Granola bars and Oranges  Blueberry Muffins and Milk		
	16 Cheerios with Milk  Salami and Cheese with Ritz Crackers	17 Waffles and Orange Juice  Veggie Sticks Wheat Crackers	18 Biscuits and Jelly with Apples  Almond Butter Wrap	19 Cinnamon Toast and Oranges  Nillas and Bananas	20 Belvitas and Apples  Trail Mix and Pears		
	23 Apple Cinnamon Pancakes and Milk  Egg Salad and Crackers	MERRY CHRISTMAS! SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!					