

# Mrs. Haun's December News



Thanksgiving was different this year but still a blessed time for families. I hope you were able to enjoy the videos posted on our learning site of the kids singing their songs. They are treasures! Our annual Butter Braid sale is still going on. The class with the most sales wins a pizza party, so help us to be a contender and buy a Butter Braid before December 13<sup>th</sup>!

Our Christmas programs will be exclusive for our class only this year due to current restrictions. Please plan on joining us on 12/16 at 11:00 for our MWF class and on 12/17 at 9:00 for our T TH class.

## Curriculum

December is here, and the holiday season is upon us. The nativity story, the importance of giving and the joy of Christ's birth will be our focus along with preparations for our Christmas program. We will have fun at our parade wearing our hats on "Hat Day", 12/3 (wed) & 12/4 (thur).

This month features:

- letter: Bb, Jj
- number: 8
- shape: Star, tree
- color: Silver, gold, red, green

Through art materials a child:

- Exercises imagination and creativity
- Enjoys the sensory experience of seeing and feeling
- Has outlets for emotional tension, frustration, and excitement
- Enjoys manipulation through rolling, squeezing, pounding, pushing, pulling, stroking
- Experiences the process usually more than the product
- Experiments with color, techniques, and design
- Learns an acceptable way to make a mess and enjoy the company of others at work nearby
- Sees/distinguishes shapes and colors against and next to each other
- Learns about color, shape, size, length, texture, negative space
- Develops small and large muscle coordination.

## HOME FUN

**\*Send out Christmas cards to friends and family. Children can add drawings, sign their names, and write letters and words to communicate. To add excitement, mail one to your child first.**

**\*Exercise your heart and body with Jumping Jacks! Chant "J,J, Jumping Jacks"; add variety by rolling a die and jumping that many times, counting out loud. Or try spelling out names.**

**\*Provide a calendar with meaningful dates written down. Use it to anticipate or remember special activities; count and cross off each day.**