

Mrs. Haun's December News



Thanksgiving was unique this year but still a blessed time for families. I hope you were able to enjoy time with your loved ones over the break.

Picture Day is here- Wednesday 12/1 & Thursday 12/2 with photo retakes available on Wednesday 12/8.

Our Christmas programs will be exclusive for our class and Mrs. Cain's classes this year. Children arrive at regular time with the programs beginning at 9:30 on Wednesday 12/15 for our MWF class and at 9:30 on Thursday 12/16 for our T/TH class.

Curriculum

December is here, and the holiday season is upon us. The nativity story, the importance of family, gentleness, 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", 12/1 (Wednesday) & 12/2 (Thursday).

This month features:

- letter: Bb, Jj
- number: 9 & 10
- 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.**