

Christmas

December 2017

Good Sam News

Oh, the weather outside is frightful,
But the fire is so delightful,
And since we've got no place to go,
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.

We want to take a moment to thank all of our Good Sam families for choosing us as your second home. We absolutely love each of your children. May God bless every one of you during this holiday season. We wish you all happiness and health in the New Year.

Thanksgiving Party

Thank you to all the parents who brought in food and helped at the party. The children had a great time! We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Giving Tree

The giving tree is back. Have you noticed it in the lobby? The tree is decorated with the teacher's wishes for their classrooms. If you would like to participate, all you do is pick the picture of the item off the tree and write the school a check for the amount. The school will place the orders for all the items donated by the parents in January. Thank you in advance for your

generous donations toward our classrooms.

Donation Tree

There is a donation tree in the Sanctuary for providing toys and gifts for very low-income children. Having your child choose a toy for a needy child can be a great learning experience about sharing and counting our blessings.

Christmas Program and Potluck December 8th at 5:30pm

It's hard to believe it's that time of year again! The children have been practicing their songs and are so excited to perform for their families. Please arrive at 5:15pm and drop your child off in their

classroom and proceed to the sanctuary. There will be a special guest visiting from the North Pole as well, and a potluck dinner afterwards. There are sign-up sheets in every class for a dish to share.

We hope to see all our children and parents there. They work very hard preparing for the program. We will also be making special surprise presents for our families for Christmas. Shh! We can't tell you what they are.

Tuition Increase

Reminder

This is just a friendly reminder that starting January 2018 tuition rates will be increased

around 4%. If you have questions, please stop by the office. The new rates can be found on our website:

goodsampreschool.org

Church Events

The church would like to invite you to join them for a few Christmas dates.

December 2nd is the annual church Christmas Sing-A-Long. Santa and friends will be there.

December 24th is the Christmas Eve Sunday service. This is a wonderful way to celebrate the holidays with friends and family.

We hope to see you there.

Parent Workshop

We hope everyone enjoyed the parent

workshop. We are excited to announce another upcoming workshop January 17th with Amy Sargent, the topic will be *Instilling Healthy Independence*.

Pizza My Heart

We would like to set up a Pizza My Heart fundraiser in the month of January or February. Please keep an eye out for more info.

Enrichment Programs

Did you know the Preschool offers two amazing enrichment programs on top of the gym and music class? There is a Chinese Mandarin class every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-9:30am. There is a \$100 charge per month. We also have a

Ballet class for boys and girls every Tuesday from 10-10:30, and this is only \$50 extra a month. If you are interested, please come see us in the office.

Dates To Remember

12/8 Christmas program and potluck @ 5:30pm

12/18-1/1 Christmas break/school closed

Flower News

Hello parents and happy holidays! The holiday season is upon us! We had a fantastic November. We introduced I & J and will be introducing K & L in December. Since the time change, we have spent a lot more time inside the classroom doing arts and crafts,

dancing and singing, and we have introduced yoga (it's a big hit with the children!). We have been going outside right after nap/afternoon snack and coming in by 5pm. Our Christmas program is coming up December 8th at 5:30pm. There will be a potluck following right after. Good Samaritan will be closed for two weeks for our holiday break, we will be closed December 18th through January 1st. Even though December will be a short two weeks, we will be very busy making our Christmas gifts as well as participating in all our activities and preparation for the Christmas program. We plan to introduce Elf on

the Shelf to our classroom.

In other news, Ms. Lupe will be leaving the Flower room to join the Butterfly room upstairs- I've had a really good time getting to know each child in our classroom these past few months and I will miss them very much. I will still be around to visit as much as I can to help ease the transition. Ms. Natalie will still be teaching the Flower Room along with Ms. Lyn. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to approach me. Thank you for being understanding, I will be missing my flowers very much.

We look forward to all the upcoming festivities December has to offer!

Ms. Lupe & Ms. Natalie

Rainbow News

Thank you very much to the families who joined us for the Thanksgiving pot luck. November flew by so quickly. December will be a very busy but short a month. The children have begun practicing their songs for the Christmas program. It will be a wonderful night and we hope you can all make it. We continue with learning our letters, numbers, and shapes. We will have many fun-filled Christmas activities this month as well.

We want to wish all out families and safe and happy holiday season.

Ms. Dee and Ms. Grace

Butterfly News

Hello everyone,

November was full of fun and exciting activities. We discussed the themes: Turkey, family, and friends, and Thanksgiving. We did enjoy a lot of fun art activities that are related to Thanksgiving. We talked about people in our family and why we are thankful to them. Our first science project was about sorting nature into different categories, for example, the different types of leaves. In social studies we learned about having

our own space. We also went on a field trip to the neighborhood park. The children loved it. They were such good listeners and followed all instructions well.

Our Thanksgiving feast was amazing. Thank you to all the parents that came and shared food.

In December we are going to learn the letters G and H, and the themes are Winter, Christmas, and New Year's. We planned so many fun activities for this month. Our children have been practicing their songs for our annual Christmas program. This is on Friday, December 6th at 5:30pm. We hope to see everyone there.

Ms. Sasmita and Ms. Ploy

Jelly News

November was such a fun month. We talked about Thanksgiving and our friends and families. We studied the changing colors of the leaves. We did counting with Ms. Sasamita and Ms. Ploy. We and learned about personal space with Ms. Esther. We made collages of people we love. If you weren't able to bring in pictures, there is still time for your child to be a part of our love book.

December is upon us, it will be a short school month. We do have many fun activities planned though. Our annual Christmas performance will be on

December 8th at 5:30pm. The children can't wait to sing their songs for you. There will also be a potluck dinner afterwards. Please sign up for a dish to share. Sign-ups are in the classroom. We hope you have a wonderful holiday season.

Ms. Jessica

Froggie News

Hello Froggie parents! November was filled with lots of fun and learning! Thank you to all the parents that chaperoned on our field trip to the Planetarium! It was really fun, and our kids enjoyed it 😊! And another thank you for coming to our Thanksgiving potluck and bringing yummy food 😊.

We learned about our solar system, which our kids really enjoyed. We made our solar system galaxy, learned fun facts about each planet, art activities, and made our Thankful turkey. As a class we spoke to our students that it's important to be thankful every day, not just one day. We should be thankful that we have our family, friends, and are healthy. They understood very well and shared what they are thankful for. We continued learning our numbers and letters. For the month of December, we will continue working on our letters Qq and Rr and numbers 16 and 17. We will also be playing fun

games so our kids can recognize their letters and numbers. We plan to implement fun Christmas activities and will be practicing our Christmas songs for our performance. We hope everyone will have a wonderful Holiday season.

Ms. Vanessa and
Ms. Esther