



December 2023

Newsletter

Merry Christmas and a Happy New
Year

Christmas Sing-Along and Potluck

The preschool and church are hosting their annual Christmas Sing-A-Long Friday, December 15th at 5:30pm. The preschool children will perform their songs starting at 5:30pm followed by our family potluck. Please sign up for the potluck on your classroom door. The church will also be hosting their Sing-A-Long following the potluck. We welcome all families to join in the fun singing and dancing. You may also see friends from the North Pole visiting us here at Good Sam. We look forward to this festive event.

The Giving Tree

Do you see the beautiful tree by our front doors? This is the preschool Giving Tree! The giving tree is a wonderful way to help celebrate the holidays in our classrooms. If you would like to participate, all you do is select the ornament with the gift you would like to donate to your child's classroom. Please bring the ornament to the office, along with a check made out to the preschool by December 22nd. You can also have us bill you. Thank you so much for your generosity.



New Tuition Rates

_This a friendly reminder that tuition rates go up 6% in the new year. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions

Cold Weather

The cold weather is here and we have seen many of our friends without jackets. Please make sure your child has the proper clothing. We suggest layers and jackets, if it gets warm, we will peel back the layers. It's only going to get colder as we get further into December and January.

RSV and Influenza

During Thanksgiving break our Infant/ Toddler wing was impacted by both RSV and Influenza. This is a friendly reminder with regards to ill children. If your child is experiencing any cold or flu like symptoms, your child should not attend preschool and should return once they are recovered or symptoms improve. Our preschool policy is 24-hour symptom free without medication.

Dates to Remember

- December 15th The Christmas Sing-along
 - 5:30pm Preschool Christmas Event
 - 6:00pm Potluck Begins
 - 6:30pm Christmas Sign-A-Long begins
 - 7:00pm Santa Claus arrives
- December 25th-January 5th School closed for the Christmas Break
- January 15th School closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February Upstairs parent teacher conferences



Teddy News

Welcome to December Teddy Bear families! We are so excited to let the holiday fun begin. The Teddys will indulge in Christmas art as well as sing and read books about the Christmas season.

This is a friendly reminder to please label all containers, water bottles, regular bottles, and any other items that are put in the fridge. Thank you for your cooperation.

We want to wish all our families a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Rainbow News

We hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. All of us in the Rainbow Room enjoyed the luncheon that our wonderful parents shared with us. Thank you so much.

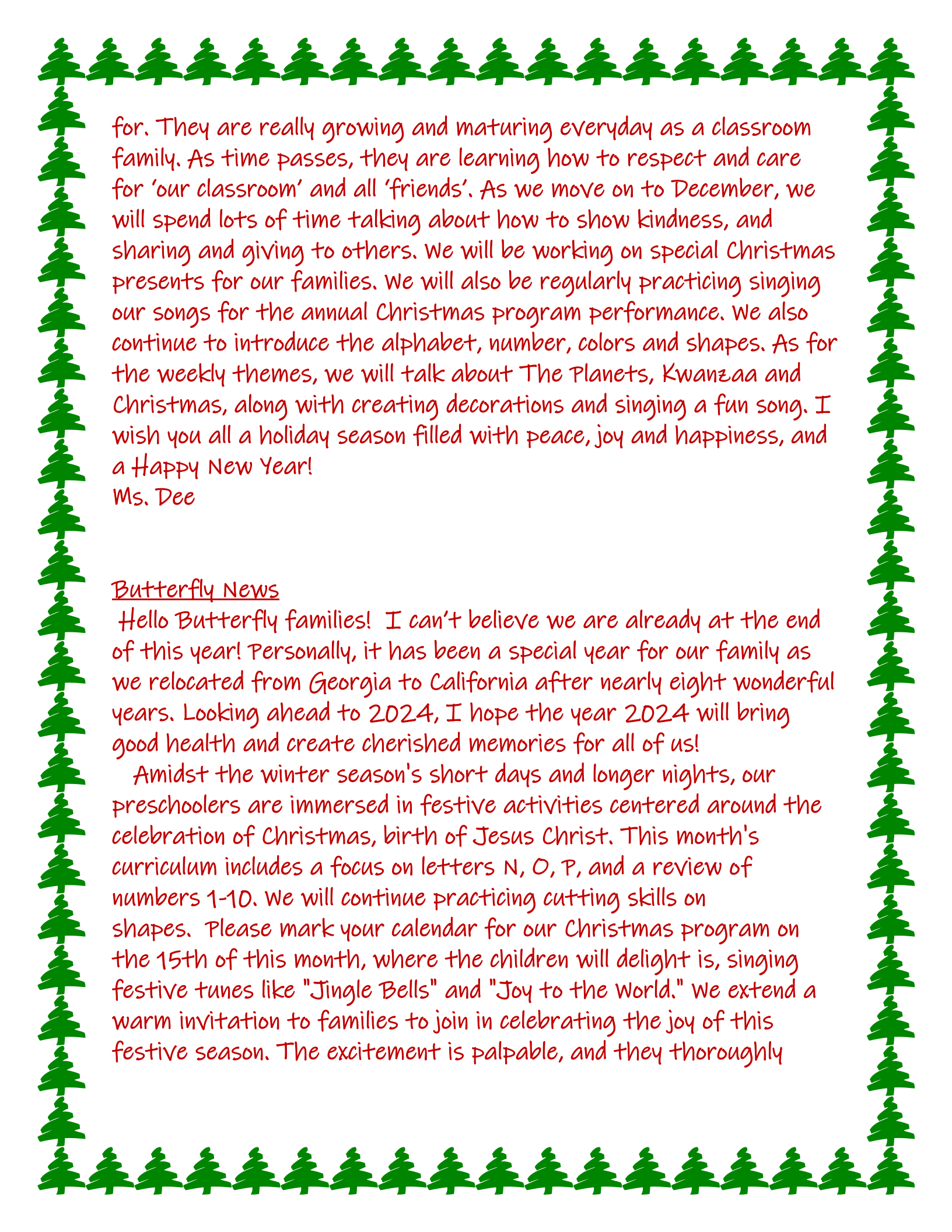
December will be an exciting month of fun for the 2's in our room. It will be a busy month full of special activities to prepare the kiddos for the holidays. The kids will be making Reindeers, Snowmen, Santas, Snowflakes, decorating Gingerbread Houses and many more holiday arts, plus a special surprise present for mom and dad.

Please join us on our Annual Christmas Program on the 15th at 5:30 pm. in the Sanctuary. We could not be more excited to see the kids perform. Wishing all our families a very wonderful, safe Holiday and a spectacular Happy New Year!!!

Ms. Perla and Ms. Grace

Dinosaur Room News

Hello Dino room families. After the excitement of Halloween, November flew by really fast. November was filled with many exciting activities and now December is already here! The Dino Room has had so much fun this past month learning about what it means to be thankful and sharing what we are especially thankful



for. They are really growing and maturing everyday as a classroom family. As time passes, they are learning how to respect and care for 'our classroom' and all 'friends'. As we move on to December, we will spend lots of time talking about how to show kindness, and sharing and giving to others. We will be working on special Christmas presents for our families. We will also be regularly practicing singing our songs for the annual Christmas program performance. We also continue to introduce the alphabet, number, colors and shapes. As for the weekly themes, we will talk about The Planets, Kwanzaa and Christmas, along with creating decorations and singing a fun song. I wish you all a holiday season filled with peace, joy and happiness, and a Happy New Year!

Ms. Dee

Butterfly News

Hello Butterfly families! I can't believe we are already at the end of this year! Personally, it has been a special year for our family as we relocated from Georgia to California after nearly eight wonderful years. Looking ahead to 2024, I hope the year 2024 will bring good health and create cherished memories for all of us!

Amidst the winter season's short days and longer nights, our preschoolers are immersed in festive activities centered around the celebration of Christmas, birth of Jesus Christ. This month's curriculum includes a focus on letters N, O, P, and a review of numbers 1-10. We will continue practicing cutting skills on shapes. Please mark your calendar for our Christmas program on the 15th of this month, where the children will delight in, singing festive tunes like "Jingle Bells" and "Joy to the World." We extend a warm invitation to families to join in celebrating the joy of this festive season. The excitement is palpable, and they thoroughly



enjoy sharing these joyful moments with everyone! Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year 2024!
Ms. Lakshmi

Froggie News

Thank you for joining us at our Thanksgiving feast! As we move into December, we're excited for all things Christmas: Making gingerbread, snowmen, and spreading kindness. We will continue reviewing numbers 1-30, and enjoy it while doing fun learning activities to review numbers. While we identify letters A-N, we will continue to practice letter recognition and writing. This will include name tracing and identifying (phonics) sound for letters A-Z.

Mark your calendars for our annual Christmas program on December 15th at 5:30pm. It will be a joyous evening with music and dancing and a potluck that follows.

School will be closed December 25th-January 5th.
Happy Holidays, Ms. Maria