

Bethel Lutheran Preschool Newsletter

November 2018

Thanksgiving Unit

In November, we will begin our Thanksgiving unit. We will be learning about Pilgrims, Indians, and the first Thanksgiving, as well as the many things that we can thank God for today!

Bible Verse

Our Bible verse for November is: "In everything, give thanks." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Objectives

- To become acquainted with the letters Cc, Dd, Ee, and Ff
- To be aware of all that we have to be thankful for
- To learn about the first Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Feast

We will have our preschool Thanksgiving feast (featuring preschool snacks and served by our Bethel 6th through 8th graders) on Monday, November 19 for all Monday morning and afternoon classes, and Tuesday, November 20 for our Tuesday morning classes.

We would like to encourage the children to bring a canned or boxed food item to school anytime during the month of November to donate to Bethel Lutheran Church's food pantry. There will be baskets placed in the foyer on either side of the front doors where you can leave your items. Thank you, in advance, for helping those in need!

Missing Pictures and Picture Retakes

If you are missing school pictures or received the wrong package, please call Inter-State directly at 309-353-8321, and they will take care of the problems as quickly as possible.

Picture retakes are scheduled for Friday, November 16, in the grade school. If you would like retakes taken for your child, we ask that you make special arrangements to have him or her here that morning to have his or her picture taken. The photographers are just here briefly to finish up all retakes, so please make plans to be here between 8:30 and 9:00. Please remember to bring the original package of pictures you received or your order form if your child was absent. Thank you!

Alphabet Weeks

We began our alphabet weeks on October 15 with the letter "Aa" and will continue with a new letter each week until the end of the preschool school year. Students in the four-year-old and pre-K classes will be completing weekly activities in an alphabet book that they will bring home at the end of the year to share with you! All three-year-old students will be exposed to the alphabet letters through stories and activities in their classrooms.

Outside

As colder weather approaches, please be sure to have your child dress appropriately for going outside, as we will continue to use our playground until the temperatures drop below freezing. If your child has not yet mastered the skills of putting on and zipping/buttoning his or her coat, we would encourage you to practice those skills with them during the coming months.

Illness

Thank you for calling the school office (266-6592) to report your child's absence. The teacher appreciates this courtesy, as it often affects classroom preparation for the day. Please make sure that your child is fever-free for 24 hours before sending him or her back to school.

Blessing Blanket Squares

Please return your family's blessing blanket squares during the first week in November so that we can be sure to include it in our display!

Christmas Program

Christmas is quickly approaching! Please be sure to save these Christmas program dates on your calendar (the program will be held at 6:30 PM each evening in the church sanctuary):

- Monday, December 10: Monday/Wednesday/Friday, Monday/Wednesday, 4-day AM, and pre-K
- Tuesday, December 11: Tuesday/Thursday AM and all afternoon classes

Our last days of school before Christmas break will be as follows; school resumes on January 8:

- Wednesday, December 12: Monday/Wednesday/Friday, Monday/Wednesday, 4-day AM, pre-K, and all afternoon classes
- Thursday, December 13: Tuesday/Thursday classes

Thanksgiving Break

School will be closed Wednesday, November 21 through Sunday, November 25 for Thanksgiving break. Have a blessed Thanksgiving!