



Christ Memorial Christian Preschool

January 2022 Newsletter

"and Jesus grew in wisdom and stature." Luke 2:52

In January we will finish our unit on *God and My Family* and move into learning about *God and My Neighborhood*. During January we will explore all things winter. We will also learn about neighborhoods and the people and helpers who make up a neighborhood. Our Bible stories will cover the childhood of Jesus, His neighborhood and the many ways He was a helper during his time on Earth.

The staff and I wish to thank all the families for the generous gifts and goodies. We appreciate the thoughtfulness and hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas! We wish all our preschool families a healthy and happy new year!

May God bless all of you!

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We will be having PAJAMA DAY in all classes upon our return from Winter Break.

4 YEAR OLD CLASSES - Monday, January 3rd

3 YEAR OLD CLASSES - Tuesday, January 4th

Progress Reports:

At the end of this month families will be receiving a mid-year progress report for their child from the teachers. The purpose of these reports is for you to understand how your child is progressing with the goals of preschool focusing on the main areas of development; social, emotional, physical, cognitive and language. We will hold parent teacher conferences in early February to review the material

shared in these progress reports
and answer any questions.



Calling All

Community

Helpers

We would like to invite all parents, grandparents, aunts or uncles who have a passion for their career in our neighborhood to share with our children. During the weeks of January 17th and 24th our children will be learning about Community Helpers. If you would be interested in visiting your child's classroom to share about your job please make arrangements with your child's teacher.





2022/23 Christ Memorial Christian Preschool Registration

Registration for the 2022/23 school year will begin on **Tuesday, January 25th at 9 am** for our returning preschool families. All remaining spaces will be available to the public beginning on **Wednesday, February 2nd at 9 am**. When registration opens you will complete a pre-registration form via our website to request a spot for the 2022/23 school year. Mrs. Gallagher will then provide families with the registration application on a first come first serve basis. Once you receive your registration application you will be instructed on how to pay the non-refundable registration fee; \$100 for returning families and \$125 for new families. Financial Assistance is Available. If you have any questions please ask Mrs. Gallagher.



Winter Reminders:

Winter Clothing - Attach all gloves and mittens to coats either with a string or clips. Also, please check your child's change of clothing bag - do they still fit and are they weather appropriate? With the colder weather many children need more than one mask each day. Please make sure your child has 3 extra masks in their spare clothing bag at all times.

Outside Play - Unless it is wet/raining and/or the feels like temperature is below freezing we will go outside to play. Please make sure your children come prepared with mittens, hats, boots, etc.

Inclement Weather Policy - If Howard County Public Schools are closed due to weather, we are also closed. If Howard County Public Schools are delayed either 1 or 2 hours we will open at 10:30 am and close at 12:30 pm. You will not receive direct notification from our school when there is a change to our schedule due to inclement weather. Please check the news outlets or Howard County Public Schools website to find out about closings and delays.



As part of our winter animals unit this month we will be welcoming a local nature group, Echoes of Nature, to share many of the animals of Winter with us in person as the present their program Journey into Winter.

4 year old Classes - Wednesday, January 12th

3 year old Classes - Thursday, January 13th

Pictures Needed in All Classrooms:

During our unit on Neighborhoods the children will be discussing their own homes. To help facilitate this discussion we are asking that all children bring in a picture of their home by **Thursday, January 13th.**



Christmas Donations

Thank you to all the families that donated to our collection of Christmas gifts for the Angel Tree Program and The Maryland Food Bank. With our items and those that were collected by the church members we were able to make a signification donation to the organization that was greatly appreciated.

Show & Tell

3 Year Old Classes:

January 6th - Something that is WHITE

January 13th - Something that is an OVAL

January 20th - Something that is GRAY

January 27th - A set of 5 things that are the SAME (Examples: Legos, Coins, Cotton Balls)

4 Year Old Classes:

January 7th - A Picture of a SNOWFLAKE

January 14th - A Picture of a BIRD

January 21st - A MAP

January 28th - A TOOL a Community Helper Would Use

Basic Concepts for January

2 Day Classes:

Numbers - 11 & 12

Colors - Blue, Gray, & White

Shape - Oval

Skills - Sorting & Patterns

3 & 5 Day Classes:

Numbers - Counting by 10s

Colors - Blue, Gray & White

Shape - Hexagon

Letters - K, L, U, &, V

Skills - Learning Your Address & Zippering