



DECEMBER PARENT LETTER

Greetings to everyone during this blessed Christmas Season!

Before I review our upcoming activities, I'd like to thank all of you for supporting our Thanksgiving Play & Feast. We had 2 wonderful days! The children did a terrific job and the food was delicious.

Now we are counting down to Christmas! I have a "Favorite Things" interview sheet for each of my staff. It lists everything they love. If you are looking for gift ideas and want a copy, please see me and I'd be happy to share their list with you. I will have several copies in my office.

The 4s and 5s Pre-K classes will learn about what a historical Christmas season was like at their "Cookies Over the Coals" field trips. This is a wonderful program sponsored by the Wethersfield Historical Society. The children experience how cookies were baked in the 1700's using coals, bricks and a skillet. They, also, are introduced to what Christmas would have been like if you were a child during that time. Please ask your child about their experience. They will be surprised by what they find in the stockings. Very different from stockings today!

BOOKFAIR: (December 3-7) Please stop by after drop-off or before/after pickup. Great Christmas gifts! Location is past the glass connector hallway. The **Out Reach Giftshop** will be open, too, for your shopping convenience. 😊

- Reminder: Next Parent committee meeting will be Tuesday, January 8 @ 9:00 a.m. downstairs in the Fireside Room (Your ideas and children are always welcome.) Coffee and Tea will be available. 😊

CLASSROOM PARTIES: Please check with your child's teacher for specifics to their parties. I know that they have classroom sign-ups posted and would appreciate your support. It's such a special time of year!

HAITI DONATIONS can be dropped off in the designated containers outside your child's classroom through December 14. This is a great activity to share with your children. Please include them in selecting items if you choose to participate.

FLU SHOTS REQUIRED BY DECEMBER 31. If your child does not have their flu shot and an authorization sheet or a waiver submitted and in our files on Wednesday, January 2, he/she **will not be allowed to attend their class until we receive it.** This is a State requirement. If you choose not to have your child immunized with the flu shot, you may sign a waiver to refuse it. You may pick up a medical or religious waiver from your child's teacher. Please be aware that the medical waiver must be signed by a physician and the religious waiver notarized and/or signed by anyone listed on the back of the form. Please come and talk to me if you have any questions.

Preschool REGISTRATION for the 2019/2020 school year begins on **Tuesday, January 8.** Current families, registered Parent/Tot families, alumni/returning families, and church families will be given priority when registering and will have **1 week to register** for next year. Everyone can register on-line but please indicate if you are a current or alumni family to identify you and give you priority. If you are planning to register for next year, **please register during this priority time.** (January 8-15) We've had multiple tours and calls for next year already!! We

don't want you to miss out! Spread the word to your friends that have little ones wanting to join us. We recommend that they schedule a tour. They can call Me or Pat @ 860-529-1575. All information will be posted on our website.

Inclement weather: Reminder that we follow the Wethersfield Public School closing and delay schedule. If they have a **90-minute delay** we will begin our morning sessions at **10:15**. If there's an early dismissal, all our afternoon classes, Afternoon Add-on, Lunch Bunch and Extended Session classes will be cancelled.

Embrace the season and enjoy the wonder through your little one's eyes. You will be blessed.

Wishing you...Health, Happiness and Joy throughout Christmas and into the coming year. Thank you for being a part of our Preschool Family.

If you do not have a church home, we would like to invite you to the upcoming special activities and services at First Church shown below.

Remember the Reason for the Season! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Love, Vickie

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT A GLANCE

Christmas Concert

Sunday, Dec. 9 | 4 p.m.

Christmas Pageant *Plus*

Sunday, Dec. 16 | 4:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Carol Sing (outside the church)

Monday, Dec. 24 | 5 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Monday, Dec. 24 | 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11 p.m.