

**November 28 - December 2**

**Theme:** Family Traditions

**Prayer:** Thank You, God, For Loving Me  
When I Do The Things I Should.  
Thank You, God, For Loving Me  
Even When I'm Not Good.  
Thank You, God, For Loving Me! Amen



**Bible Verse :** "God loved us and sent His Son." John 3:16

**Letter of the week:** Jj

**Dates to remember:**

**December 14:** Christmas Program (in the gym) 6:30 p.m. Please bring a finger food or dessert to share. Children should be in the classroom no later than 6:25 p.m.

**December 16:** Class party.

**December 17:** Parent's night out. Free! 4:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Register by December 9<sup>th</sup>.

**December 19-20:** School closed. Parents Morning Out open 9:00am - 1:00p.m. Reservations required. Infant room \$25.00 per child, Preschool room \$23.00 per child.

**December 19 - January 2:** School closed for Christmas break.

**January 3:** School re-opens.

This week we will be discussing the Nativity and baby Jesus. As I read the Nativity story I will be emphasizing four main points. First, Baby Jesus came to Earth. Jesus became a child just like you. Second, the shepherds find Jesus. They tell others about Him, just as we should. Third, The wise men gave gifts to Jesus. We need to give to others. Fourth, Christ has come. The story is just beginning.

**Math:** The children will sort Christmas M&M's (green and red) and then graph them. The children will then place the correct number of M&M's on a 1-10 number line, create an AB (green/red) pattern with the candy, and then

using a Christmas tree learning mat place an M&M on the shaped ornaments. The class will complete activities in the math bins for reinforcement of graphing, colors, shapes, numbers 1-10, and patterns.

**Art:** The class will create a Jesus in a manger scene. The children will create several Christmas presents for their parents.

**Social Studies:** After reading "Twas the Night Before Christmas", we will discuss what traditions are shown in the poem and then we will discuss some of the class's family traditions.

**Language Arts:** Using sequencing cards, the children will sequence the Nativity and the poem "Twas the Night Before Christmas". The class will complete workbook pages for the letter Jj.

**Dramatic Play:** The children will be encouraged to recreate the Nativity using a Fisher-Price Little People nativity set. The class will create a winter scene using a snow scene with evergreens and figurines.

**Small Motor:** The children will complete Christmas puzzles with 24 pieces.

**Computer:** Using "Kid Pix Studio" the class will create a Christmas scene.

**Scholastic Book Orders:** Parents can go to [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com); access the "Parents" tab and view the current flyers available. Parents may order online with our access code and the books will be delivered to the school. Our access code is DXC44.

**A few of the books we will enjoy this week are:**

"Twas the Night Before Christmas" by: Clement Moore

"The Donkey's Dream" by: Barbara Berger

"Listen to the Silent Night" by: Dandi Mackall

"A Child was Born: A First Nativity book" by: Grace Maccarone

**Songs and Poems:**

The children will be practicing songs for their Christmas program which will be on December 14.