



Mrs. Kowalski's

# 3-Year-Old Preschool

## December Newsletter

*With December being a busy month preparing for Christmas, this will be the only newsletter sent home during the three weeks of school left before Christmas break. Please watch for other notes and handouts of upcoming information on other classroom and school events!*

### Jesus Time - The Nativity Story

- ◆ We have been counting down the days till Jesus' birthday with our Advent calendar. During this special time of year, we learn that Advent is the time when we get ready to celebrate Jesus' birthday on Christmas. Every day we take a different object out of a numbered pocket. After discussing the significance of the object, we add it to a nativity scene calendar.
- ◆ The Christmas story has come to life in our classroom as we have transformed our pretend center into a stable! The children are learning the lines from the story and enjoy playing all the different roles. They are able to dress up as a shepherd, an angel, the inn keeper, Mary or Joseph. The children have truly embraced the Christmas story through this experience.

### Christmas Program

- ◆ The children have been working very hard on learning the songs for this year's Christmas service. We have been practicing our songs everyday and we have even been going to the church to practice with the other classes. They are very excited to share their many songs with you!
- ◆ The program is at 11:30 am on Sunday, December 11th. Let us know if your child will be attending this special service. You may drop off your child in our classroom at 11:20 as we will enter and sit as a class. Please bring plate of mini sandwiches to share after the program. Hope to see you there!

### Other Classroom Activities

- ◆ We have been decorating our classroom with Christmas trees, angels and stars.
- ◆ We have also been working on making Christmas ornaments and gifts for our parents!

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### Important Dates:

- ☺ **December 3** Santa Paws Breakfast
- ☺ **December 10** Saturday Sitter Service
- ☺ **December 11, 11:30 am** ECEC Christmas Program
- ☺ **December 15, 9:00 am** Chapel - Mitten Tree Offering
- ☺ **December 19** Christmas Break

**\*School resumes  
Tuesday, January 3,  
2012\***

### Special Thank You!

Thank you to all the Grand-Friends who were able to visit our classroom. Hope you enjoyed your time with us!

### Christmas Party

Our class' Christmas party will Friday, December 16th from 10:15-11:00. Please watch for upcoming information!

Merry Christmas!!! - Becca and Noemi