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December News

Dear Parents:

It's hard to believe we are already about to begin the month of December! Thank-you for participating in our Parent-Teacher Interviews in such a positive way. It is important that you have gone over your child's Report Card, discussed successes and determined a goal or focus area for next term. Your child has been working hard on reflecting on his/her own learning over the past couple of weeks and already should have a good idea about what he/she wants to get better at. I am very please to see such avid young readers this year. Keep up the excellent effort at home with your Bookworms!

We will be focusing our Language Learning on Jan Brett books, letter writing, and finally for the last week we will celebrate the book "The Polar Express" before Christmas holidays. If you or your child have any that we could borrow, we will put them to good (and gentle!) use. Thank you in advance!

We are continuing our Math Unit on Numbers and will be focusing on different ways of demonstrating numbers using pictures, numbers or words. We will also be working on adding and subtracting to 18, and discussing several different mental math strategies.

The season of Advent is upon us and we have been learning about the Christmas story at prayer time. As always, the children are invited to bring any books, pictures, or other theme related materials they would like to share with the class.

At prayer time each morning we have begun saying special prayers during Circle time. Attached please find a prayer for each day of December. You may wish to include these prayers when your child says his/her night time prayer. Also attached please find a special Advent 'calendar" for your child to keep at home. We have discussed sharing our kindness and

doing good deeds each day as we prepare for Christmas in an effort to “give a gift” for baby Jesus. Your child is invited to color in a gift each day they do a kind deed. Keep this in a visible place over the month of December to remind your child of the ‘reason for the season’! Our school will be having weekly Advent celebrations that you may wish to ask your child about! Please refer to the attached Joy Box calendar for information on how it works as well as your scheduled day in December.

Scholastic book orders go out today. If you missed the Book Fair last week and wish to place an order please have it in by Fri. Dec. 2nd so I can mail it off. Thank-you!

We will have a class Christmas party on Friday Dec. 23rd in the afternoon. The students scheduled to bring snacks for the Christmas party are: Nicholas, Maea, Bradley, Mitchell, Dylan, and Evan. Please send a note in your child’s Agenda if you would like to send something in.

Have a wonderful and festive December and I wish you all peace and joy this holiday season!!

Have a terrific week!

Sincerely,



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