



Beginnergarten News

November was a busy month. A heartfelt thanks goes to everyone who was able to attend the Thanksgiving Feast. The children really enjoyed sharing their meal with you!

The month of December is all about Christmas. Throughout December we will be learning about the Christmas story. We will celebrate Jesus' birth through song, literature, classroom discussions, and even art. It is important that children know that Christmas is about Jesus.

The writing center will be very exciting this month. The children will play a Christmas alphabet bingo game, learn with letter mats, engage in an uppercase/lowercase gingerbread matching game, and will be able to spell out Christmas words with letter tiles. The children will explore Christmas through picture word cards and activity pages.

At the math center the children will sequence baby Jesus by size, play a Christmas cookie counting game, put together Christmas pictures by using magnetic shapes, play a nutcracker counting game, a Christmas ornament sorting game, and will participate in a Christmas pattern activity.

The science center this month will allow for the exploration of the scents of Christmas through scent bottles. The children will also learn about trees and engage in a variety of Christmas themed experiments.

Our dramatic play area will contain housekeeping with a cookie making station and other fun surprises. At our playdough center we will refine our cookie making skills by rolling out dough and cutting out Christmas cookie shapes.

The children will be making many Advent and Christmas art projects this month. A few of these projects are angels, candy canes, gingerbread men, ornaments, and trees. We will be making presents for our parents. They are a surprise, so please don't ask! The children are not going to tell! We will be practicing songs for the Christmas Program.

This is such an exciting time of year. The children can hardly wait for Christmas to arrive. Merry Christmas everyone!

Important Dates:

**Christmas Program- Monday, December 17th at 7pm in the church
Caroling at the Lutheran Home-**

Baby Jesus Party - Wednesday, December 19th at 1:00 pm during class

