



Agape Montessori School

December Newsletter

Christmas/New Year Holidays

The school will be closed from Tuesday, December 24th through Wednesday, January 1st. We will reopen on Thursday, January 2nd. As stated in our policy document, full tuition is due during this time. Some of our families are eligible to take their annual vacation. I will reach out to any family who is eligible to see if you wish to take it.

Holiday Program, Activities, and Party

We are very excited to be heading into the Holiday Season. We know this is a busy time and want to make it enjoyable for you and your child.

- **The Christmas program Rehearsal and Performance (Children's House ONLY):** We are very excited about our upcoming Christmas program for all Children's House students. This year we will be celebrating "**Legends of Christmas**" full of Christmas Carols, poems, and stories. The rehearsal and program will be held in Uphaus Hall (the medium sized sanctuary) at College Church of the Nazarene located at 2020 E. Sheridan St in Olathe.
 - o Christmas Program Rehearsal: Friday, Dec. 13th from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Please feed your child before the rehearsal.
 - o Christmas Program: Monday, Dec. 16th 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Please have your child to the church by 6:45 p.m. We encourage all children to dress in their Christmas best. Also, since there is limited seating, we ask that you limit invited guests to no more than 6 members per child.
- **Agape Christmas Party:** All classes will host a party from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 20th. We hope that you will be able to join us. We will sing songs, read Christmas stories, play games, and make fun crafts during this time of celebration. A Signup Genius will be sent out in early December.
- **PJ Day:** December 23rd is our last school day of 2019. We will have a fun day by everyone wearing their PJ's. This is also an in-service day so there will be no formal school this day.

Inclement Weather Policy

With the snowy season already upon us, I want to remind you of our policy concerning school closures due to inclement weather. We make every effort to be open on snow days no matter what the school districts decide. However, we must shut down for 3 reasons: The Governor of Kansas declares a state of emergency; the city of Olathe instructs us to close, or if we cannot get enough staff in to work due to impassable roads. If Agape is going to close for inclement weather, we will send out a mass email through Sandbox and post the closing on our website and Facebook page.

The website is www.agape-montessori.com

Dressing for the Season

If the weather is 40 degrees or less, the State of Kansas requires children to wear heavy jackets/coats, hats, and gloves. The State also requires that children spend time outside everyday if the temperature is above 20 degrees. Please make sure your child has the necessary accessories to go outside to play.

Scholastic Book Orders

Books make great gifts! Make sure to place your Scholastic book order by December 11th. Visit www.scholastic.com/bookclubs, click "Connect to Your Teacher" and use our class code: **GXDDD**

We enjoy serving you and wish you all a very happy and safe holiday season.
Mr. Shea