

Redeemer Christian School November 2018 Newsletter

Psalm 95:2 "Let us come into his presence with Thanksgiving: let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!"

LETTERS OF THE MONTH:







Director's Note:

Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to show our RCS little ones that it is gratifying to help others and to make someone's life brighter by giving to them. With all the happenings in the world these days, good days as well as bad days, with uncertain feelings, natural disasters, conflict amongst people, and sickness we know that we can re ly on God to be there with us through it all. It is such a comforting feeling that God helps us each day and we love to teach our children at RCS that he is always there to listen to us.

We like to teach the children that we are blessed to receive so much from God by having a family, a home to live in, clothes to wear and food to eat. For this, we are once again collecting donations of food for families in Roxbury who are in need of assistance. We are also this year for the first time collecting items for Lutheran World Relief so that the Redeemer Lutheran Church women can make baby care kits for those in need in impoverished countries. It is so important that our children learn to help others in need by our example! It is such a wonderful feeling to help others!

The RCS classes will gather together at our Thanksgiving Feast to share a meal (small treats made in each class) and hear the story of the First Thanksgiving!

We wish each of you a blessed Thanksgiving with your own families!

God Bless,

Cindy Stevens & the RCS Staff

November At A Glance

November 1st

* STARS class meets with Redeemer Lutheran Church "Young at Heart" for a fun time!

November 5th

* First Day of Beginning Bears Session II

November 8th & 9th

* NJ Teacher's Convention - No school

November 12th-16th

* Parent Teacher Conference Week

November 15th & 16th

Spirit Wear Days and Thanksgiving Feasts

November 21st - 23rd

* Thanksgiving Holiday - No school

November 26th

Registration starts for our <u>current RCS</u> families at 8:00a.m. for 2019-2020 school year.

RCS Reaches Out!

Roxbury Food Pantry - In the spirit of Thanksgiving and helping others, we will be collecting donations of food (anything canned, boxed, bottled (plastic) and bagged for families in Roxbury who are in need of assistance. These items can be sent in your child's tote bag if you wish to help. We would like to drop off the donations on Friday, November 16th. Thank you so much in advance!

Baby Items - For the first time we are collecting baby items throughout November for baby care kits made up by the Redeemer Lutheran Church Women. If you are able to help please send in any of the following baby items in your child's tote: cotton t-shirts (no onesies), gowns/sleepers, receiving blankets, cloth diapers, jackets, socks, dark hand towels, gentle soap, and diaper pins

Some details for November Activites are as follows:

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE: Nov. 12th-16th

You will be assigned a 15 minute conference time to talk with your child's teacher. Please let us know if you cannot be here for your scheduled time. Phone conferences can be done if you are unable to come in. We know that being here during the weekday is not always possible. This is a nice visit to connect with your child's teacher.

THANKSGIVING FEASTS: Nov. 15th & 16th

This is a fun time for each class to prepare a treat to share with all the classes. The children come together in our "Life Center" (gym) and sit at long tables to hear the story of the First Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims and Native Americans. We say grace and enjoy our "feast" together as each child is dressed as a Pilgrim or Native American. This is a wonderful time to acknowledge God's blessings to all of us! *Please note this is a student only event.

SPIRIT WEAR DAYS: Nov. 15th & 16th

Show your school spirit by wearing your RCS spirit wear or blue to school!

Reminders to Parents

** Birthday Parties - You are welcome to send a fun snack (nut free) in with your child to share. Please check with your child's teacher to choose a date.

Below are suggestions for nut free candy and snacks, please feel free to use these suggestions. (**Dunkin Donuts are not considered "nut free".)

Cheese and crackers Nabisco Teddy Grahams

Gold Fish Oreo Cookies

Ice Cream/popsicle Rice Crispy Treats
Sliced Fruit Sliced Vegetables

Jell-O and Jell-O Instant Pudding Cups

PLEASE READ LABELS. There may be other products that are safe.

- Labeling All clothing (coats, hats, gloves, etc.) should be clearly labeled.
- Change of Clothing Please make sure your child has an extra set of "weather appropriate" clothing at school in case of emergencies/spills. (Please include socks and underwear).
- ** RCS Website www.redeemerchristianschool.com Please check our website to view our calendar and school news.
- * Facebook Be sure to Us on Facebook-We occasionally post photos of school events!

RCS Fundraising Information Thank you...Thank you...Thank you...

Thank you to all that participated in the Fall fundraisers!

It was a great start to the year with three successful fundraisers under our belt. Our "Fall Mum Sale" brought in a whopping \$1130.25, great job, enjoy the beauty Fall has to offer! "Spirit Wear" earned the school \$283.38, showing your RCS pride! Lastly, "KidStuff Coupon Book Sale" had a \$800 return for RCS with not one but TWO big top-sales achievers, Morgan Friedrich and Emmett Higgins, enjoy those free books and all the fun opportunities they have to offer! To those parents that actively helped in the mums fundraiser, another big THANK YOU! Volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated! I would also like to personally thank all the parents for being so prompt in returning of any unpurchased KidStuff Books. Next "Available for Purchase" item to be sent home in the Original Works magnet; a great memento to capture these precious and fleeting moments with our little ones! Each magnet is \$6 or you can send the item back to RCS, your choice!

We will be running a keepsake and holiday fundraiser this winter season. The Original Works magnet, as stated above, and new this year... YANKEE CANDLE! Yankee Candle offers a wide array of products to choose from multiple manufactures, such as, Yankee Candle, Rubbermaid, Calphalon, and more! The Yankee Candle Fundraiser is open from now until January. Online purchasing with direct ship is available with this fundraiser. I have had many parent requests hoping for a fundraiser that could also serve the purpose of gift giving during the upcoming holiday season. I feel this is the best option and wanted to make sure you knew your requests did not go unheard!

Cheers to you and here's to a successful year in the making!

Sincerely,

Jessica Malcolm and Suzanne Echevarria, RCS Fundraiser Committee

