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Little Lambs

A Ministry of First Lutheran Church 6300 Southern Maryland Blvd. Huntingtown, Md 20639 410-257-3530

Dear Parents:

"Baby, it's cold outside", those words to that song have been running through my head this morning as I write my article. Winter is here! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas, a great New Year's Eve and enjoyed the December snow. On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank all the families that participated in our annual "Giving Tree" for our school and also the gifts to the staff. You are a very generous group and we truly appreciate your support and kindness to our ministry work here at Little Lambs.

January finds us discussing Winter and Transportation. Our letters are Jj, Vv, and Gg. We also have a review week in there. By the end of the month we will have covered almost 1/2 the alphabet! Our Bible Stories will be "Simeon and Anna meet Baby Jesus", "The Visit of the Wisemen", "Paul's Ship Wrecks in a Storm", and "Philip Tells the Good News About Jesus". Our color of the month is red.

We are looking forward to our annual Pajama Party. Please see side article. Information from your child's teacher about conferences will be sent home soon. Please remember there is no school on those days and you will need to make arrangements for your child during conference time. The staff is willing to work with your schedule as needed just discuss this with your child's teacher.

Stay warm,



Angie Hohl- Program Director

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, January 28 Conferences for 2 Day 3s, All Pre-K

Friday, January 29 Conferences for All 2s, 3 Day 3s

Parents that desire a conference with their child's teacher may sign up for a 10-15 minute conference. We are unable to provide child care and ask that you make other arrangements for your children during conference time. For those parents unable to attend on your child's scheduled day, please speak with your child's teacher to make arrangements for an appointment on another day.

Pajama Party

Our pajama parties are scheduled for the 14th and 15th of this month. Your child should come to school in PJ's. (It's okay if he/she doesn't want to do that, but bring them in case there is a change of heart) They may bring a blanket, a soft animal and or pillow, if desired. Please label everything. All items in a large bag will be very helpful. We do ask that you come in at dismissal time instead of dismissal to cars.

Jump Bunch

We are excited about this new activity at LLPS. The children have been having a great time. There are still openings available and we are able to offer the \$5.00 rate(per class) for the Pre-K classes and \$10.00 rate for the Three year old classes (includes lunch time as well). You don't have to sign up for the whole month for this special rate but priority is given to students who sign up in advance. Class sizes are limited. Please see Angie or Jenny for more details.

Inclement Weather

Preschool

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If Calvert County Public Schools are closed due to weather, LLPS will be closed. If they open 2 hours late, we will open on time unless we call you. If they close early, we will assess the situation and make phone calls as necessary.



Cold Weather

We try to go outside everyday that we can. Usually, if it is around 35 degrees or higher and not too blustery, we will get out for at least a "quick run". Please dress your child appropriately. If you want your child to wear mittens and/or a hat, please leave them on top of his/her coat instead of in the back pack.

Mark Your Calendars:

Thursday, January 14-PJ Party 2 Day 3s, All Pre-K

Friday, January 15-PJ Party All 2s, MWF 3s

Monday, January 18-LLPS Closed

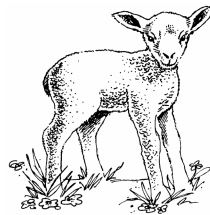
Thursday, January 21 Red Day 2 Day 3s, All Pre-K

Friday, January 22 Red Day All 2s, 3 Day 3s

Thursday, January 28 LLPS Closed-Conferences for 2 Day 3s, All Pre-K

Friday, January 29 LLPS Closed-Conferences for All 2s, 3 Day 3s

News for the 2s



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We hope all of our families had a blessed Christmas! The weather has gotten chilly so we will focus our attention to winter. We will talk about penguins and have a special visitor, Puffy Penguin. At table toys we will play with shaving cream snow and ice skate rinks. At the end of the month we will shift our attention to transportation. We will make some transportation crafts and sing about ways to get around. Please remember to tuck hats and mittens inside coat sleeves. It makes getting ready to go outside a bit easier. Also, practicing the flip over your head method of getting our coats on, helps us too! Stay Warm!

Rebekah, Maureen, Judy, Nancy, Michele and JoAnne

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." Matthew 2:1-2

News from the 3's

Winter is here and we will be exploring this wonderful season this month. We will be talking about what different animals do in the winter. Some thrive in the cold weather like polar bears and penguins and others hibernate. We will discuss their habitats and how some animals sleep through the cold weather while others get out and play. We give thanks to God for this fun season. Transportation will be explored also. Talk to your children when driving and ask them about the different forms of transportation. We will be asking how they got to school and how did the store get the food? We will focus on our cutting skills and begin learning how to hold a pencil correctly and tracing lines, while discovering many different shapes. The children are doing a great job putting on their coats at school many of them have become independent with this task and they are so proud of themselves. It brings us much joy to have your children in our class. Happy Winter!

Renee', Judy, Mary and Peggy

Pre-K You Say

Preschool

Happy New Year to all and welcome back! As we begin the month of January we will be talking about winter and all the beauty God gives us at this special time of year. You will be hearing about snow, ice, snowmen, igloos, polar bears, penguins, warm clothes, and much more! We will focus on helping your little ones prepare for the weather and independence as we work on getting our own coats, hats, gloves/mittens on, complete with zipping and buttoning! Math and science take on new approaches as we enlist the help of the elements to tie in our lessons using "snow" and ice. God's beauty will be seen as you look through the eyes of your youngster at the winter scenes depicted in art. As the month continues we will focus on transportation, learning different ways we can get around, from walking to flying and all ways in-between. There will be lessons on how weather conditions can affect the way we travel. This month is filled with so much information your children will amaze you!

Happy 2010,

Kathy Sue , Angie, Lorraine and Jeri