



Pitts Baptist CDC News

December 2017 Edition

December Events

December 12: Christmas Program 6:30 PM

Please pick up your child by 6:00 pm and drop them off with their teachers in the CORE hallway by 6:15 pm.

December 15: Class Christmas Parties w/ Santa

December 25 & 26: Christmas Holiday: CLOSED

January 1: New Year's Holiday: CLOSED

Parents,

Please remember to call and let an administrator know when your child is out sick.

We appreciate you keeping us informed about your child's well being, so we can plan accordingly.



For Unto You
Is BORN This Day
In The
CITY OF DAVID
A
SAVIOR
Who Is
**CHRIST
THE LORD**
Luke 2:11



Congratulations to all of our staff who are celebrating anniversaries this month!!

Ms. Lori-7 years

December Employee of the Month



Congratulations to Ms. Sarah for being our employee of the month for December! Ms. Sarah has been teaching at our Center for over 12 years now and is such a treasure to us. She genuinely loves the children in her classroom and works hard to plan fun and age appropriate activities for them to enjoy. She has a sweet and Christ-like spirit that radiates from her.

Infants

Throughout November, we enjoyed exploring pumpkins and going outside to learn about the change in weather. We certainly felt the necessity of warmer clothes. We also learned that it is important to say a prayer of thanks to God for all He has given us.

We are excited to learn about Christmas. We will talk about the real meaning of Christmas, as well as some fun traditions, too! Please be sure to bring a coat as we will go outside when possible.

Crawlers

We celebrated our families by creating family trees and talking about our homes. We learned all about the good food God gives us as we explored a cornucopia and looked at pictures of so many yummy foods. We dove into cranberry sauce and had a blast!

Throughout December we will be talking about stars and preparing to celebrate Jesus' birth! We will continue to work towards sharing and using gentle hands with our friends.

Please be sure the extra clothes at school are weather appropriate and that there is a coat for the chilly days.

Young Toddlers

Our Young Toddlers have been getting to know their new teachers this month as well as some new friends who recently transitioned into the class. November included handprint turkey art, painting with shaving cream and using our imaginations as we played in a big box. With Christmas around the corner, we have lots of fun things planned, including ornament making, making snow, and also making our own silly putty. We'll talk about how Jesus was a baby, while rocking our baby dolls and sing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus as well. Remember, we go outside to play twice each day. Your child will need a warm coat to allow them to play comfortably.

Older Toddlers

We had such a great November as we learned about Moses, Zacchaeus and David. We made thankful turkeys, tissue paper scarecrows and painted turkey feet. We learned signs for "beautiful" and "joy."

December will be so much fun with us! We are really beginning to learn and to be able to retell some of the bible story. This will make a memorable month as we learn the story of Jesus' birth! We will create Christmas trees, explore jingle bells and recreate the story of the Birth of Jesus.

Please be sure there is a warm change of clothes in each child's cubby and a warm coat for outdoor play!

Twos

November was such a fun time of learning as we used leaves to create turkey tracks, talked about how Jesus fed 5,000 people with 2 fish & 5 loaves of bread and set aside time to give thanks to God for all He gives us.

December will be full of such fun experiences as we make ornaments for the tree, participate in the Christmas Program and learn the true meaning of Christmas.

Early Preschool

November was a fun month as we spent it on the farm. We learned about the animals, crops and farmer life. We also had fun talking all about turkeys. We made turkeys and pretended to be turkeys, too! We have really been trying to remember to say "please" and "thank you."

We are so excited to prepare for Christmas! We are decorating and making ornaments, we will learn about the First Christmas and why it is so very important.

Please be sure to have a coat and hat at school every day. Sometimes the mornings or afternoons turn unexpectedly chilly and we plan to go outside each day!

Preschool

November was such a sweet time of reflecting on all we have for which to be thankful. God has given us so much! We learned about families, our families and the first family.

December will be all about Christmas and celebrating the Birth of Jesus. We will also talk about community helpers and how important they are to our community. We will continue to focus on a new letter each week. We learn what it looks like, it's sound and some things that start with that letter.

Please remember to check your child's folder each day.

Also, please be sure there is a full change of weather appropriate clothing at school, just in case!

Pre-Kindergarten

November was full of fun as we talked about all we are thankful for. We do have so much to thank God for!

As we move into December, we are excited to discuss the Birth of Jesus, the real meaning of Christmas. We will continue our journey down Alphabet Lane with M,N,O,P. We are also learning concepts of numbers 18, 19, 20 and 21. We continually review shapes and colors. You wouldn't believe all we have already learned this year!

Please be sure to check your child's folder daily and be certain that there is a full change of weather appropriate clothing at school. Thank you!

School Age

November was super fun in after school as we learned some new games, played in shaving cream and had a turkey contest.

December's focus will be on the reason for Christmas. We will learn about the First Christmas and it's eternal significance. We are excitedly preparing to perform in the Christmas Program.

If your children bring toys, games, etc, please understand that they do so at their own risk. We cannot accept responsibility for the safe keeping of items brought from home.

As a reminder, we take the children outside daily. Please keep this in mind as you dress your child each day. Children should be dressed in weather appropriate clothing and have a coat, hat, gloves, etc. for cold weather. Our teachers are sensitive to the children's response to the temperature and adjust their outside time accordingly. In extreme temperatures, a walk outside may be most appropriate. Some parents believe that cold weather can make children sick. Research actually proves otherwise as germs can be contained in the classroom and breathing in fresh air can help your child's immune system!

Half-Day Preschool

It was so much fun to start November off with a visit from the Fire Department as we learned about community helpers! We are learning ways to be helpers, too! Then we finished out the month by talking about families. We learned the Bible verse: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good." Psalm 118:1

We are excited to perform for you in the Christmas program. Please dress your child in fun Christmas attire and bring sunglasses, hat and mittens.

We will spend this month learning the true meaning of Christmas. May we always remember why Christmas is so special!

Half-Day Pre-K

In November, we learned about the very first Thanksgiving and talked about all we have for which to be so thankful. We had so much fun creating potato turkeys, too!

We are looking forward to learning about Jesus' Birth, the true meaning of Christmas. We will learn about so many different kinds of transportation and will finish preparing to perform for you in the Christmas Program. Please dress your child in Christmas colors for the program. We will participate in a "follow the star" parade and will learn all about L, M & N.

It's time for mistletoe, Santa, presents, and Christmas carols. At Pitts Baptist Child Development Center, we embrace these aspects of Christmas. But, the reason for this exciting time of year must always be at the forefront of our teaching. The Birth of Christ, the Savior, born to save mankind from our sins, is our main focus during Christmas. So even though you'll see Santa, Rudolph, and Frosty, you'll see Jesus as our central focus. Here's the story from the New International Version, Luke 2:6-11.

While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord!

