



Pitts Baptist CDC News

December 2019 Edition

December Events

December 16: Christmas Program 6:30 PM

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

December 20: Class Christmas Parties w/ Santa 3pm

Santa will visit with classes in order from youngest to oldest.

December 24 & 25: Christmas Holiday: CLOSED

January 1: New Year's Holiday: CLOSED



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

Ms. Heather M- 2 years

Ms. Lori- 9 years



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.

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!

Young Infants

In November we talked about all the things we are thankful for. We read stories about Fall and looked at the Fall colors of red, yellow, brown and orange.

In December

We will talk about baby Jesus' coming and we will celebrate his birthday together. We will continue to use signs in our classroom daily. We will especially concentrate on using signs for "more" and "all done."

Please plan to dress your child in Christmas pajamas for the Christmas program on December 16.

Older Infants

We have really been practicing eating off of our own plates at lunchtime. Our friends are doing great with this! They also love to raise their hands and say, "Amen!" at the end of our prayers.

We will continue to encourage using a spoon to eat and using signs to communicate, especially the signs for "milk," "more," "eat" and "all done."

Additionally, we will continue demonstrating the use of gentle touches with our friends as we play cooperatively more and more.

Please be sure the extra clothes at school are weather and size appropriate. Also, please remember to update your child's feeding chart as their nutritional needs change.

We are beyond excited to experience our friends' first Christmas and the opportunity to get to share the story of baby Jesus with them!

Young Toddlers

We had such a wonderful November! We learned all about pumpkins, Fall weather, camping and the many ways we can show our thanks! We had a great time making S'mores trail mix and finger painting a big pumpkin together.

We will continue to focus on using our words. We use signs on a regular basis while we are still grasping for effective communication. We use signs for "please," "more," "water" and "all done" regularly.

We are so excited to begin preparing for Christmas and are looking forward to having a Birthday Party for Jesus!

Older Toddlers

Last month we learned about giving thanks! We are so thankful for our families, friends, and food! We enjoyed learning about turkeys and our families. Our goals this month will be learning all about Christmas trees, stars, and Jesus' birthday! We will also work using our words and learning new sign language. Parents, please remember to take home your child's blanket on Friday to be washed and bring it back in on Monday.

Early Preschool A

Our November learning focused on all the different colors and shapes, of which we have mastered! We also talked about what we are most thankful for. We explored corn and leaves and painted with legos, blocks, feathers and leaves.

We are excited to talk about the real reason for Christmas and celebrate with our friends. We will explore stars, talk about Jesus' family and celebrate His birthday.

Please be sure to check the folders located near the door each day for important papers and information.

Early Preschool B

We are learning so much! We prepared for Thanksgiving by talking and learning about Fall and what it means to be thankful! We loved learning about David and his life, especially how he thanked God with a song. Throughout the month of November, we used our imaginations to pretend play with friends. We pretended to be doctors and dentists often and learned about the letters A-F and the numbers 1-6.

Throughout December we will focus on preparing for Christmas. We will talk about baby Jesus and his birth. We will learn about the letters G & H and the numbers 7 and 8.

Please be sure there is a heavy jacket, hat and gloves at school each day as we will go outside to play in the morning and afternoon when it is possible, even if it's a bit chilly!

Preschool A

Last month, we enjoyed learning all about community helpers. We learned who in our community is a helper and how they help. We had fun dressing like our favorite community helper in our Dramatic Play center. We also talked about turkey, pilgrims, and Native Americans. We talked all about the different things we are thankful for. In December, we'll be getting into the Christmas spirit. It will be an exciting and fun filled month. We will be learning about the birth of Jesus, the true reason for this special time of year. We are also continuing to work on our letters and will focus on G, H, and I.

Preschool B

Last week, we learned about David and how he was anointed to be king, fought a giant, played for King Saul and became friends with Johnathan. The kids are having so much fun looking for the letters in their names, practicing writing their names, and learning to recognize what letters are missing from their names. We did fun art activities and oral conversations about what we are thankful for. This month, we will learn about the birth of Jesus and the reason we celebrate Christmas. We will continue to work on name recognition by doing fun activities like name/ letter building, letter search, and surprise letter find.

Pre-Kindergarten A

We had great fun learning our colors in Spanish! We spent much of November discussing what we are most thankful for and ways to be kind to those around us.

This month we will practice writing first and last names, using scissors with precision, focus on the sounds and shape of the letters M, N and O and talk about the real meaning of Christmas. We will also introduce new Spanish words.

Please be sure to bring a small nap time blanket, as it must fit inside our cubbies alongside coats, hats and gloves throughout the Winter season.

Pre-Kindergarten B

November was a month of being grateful for all of our blessings. Our turkey projects were a huge success. Thanks for all of your participation. They look awesome! In December, we will introduce the letters Nn, Oo, Pp & Qq and their sight words. We will work on the twenty family and count to 30. We will also introduce counting to 100 by 10's. We are all doing a great job writing our names and letters. We will work on writing numbers 1,2,3, & 4. What fun we will have this month as we celebrate all things Christmas. Also, we will learn the true meaning of Christmas as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. We look for to ringing in the new year with discovering how to take care of ourselves and stay healthy!

School-Age

Throughout November, we enjoyed celebrating National Doughnut Day as well as Thanksgiving. We have talked about who Jesus is and about our need for Him.

Throughout December we will spend time each day in an Advent series, preparing our hearts and minds to celebrate Christmas.

Be sure to continually check the board and sign up for full days, as needed.

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!

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