

NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER



Holy Cross Christian Nursery School

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November Happenings at Holy Cross...

Thanksgiving & Community Sing Time...

Thanksgiving is just around the corner! During Community Sing Time this month, we will sing songs and hear stories about the first Thanksgiving, Pilgrims and Native American Indians. The children will help Mrs.G read a Native American Indian story that uses *symbols* to tell the story! We will also listen to the story Stone Soup and talk about how when everyone works together, we can help each other and accomplish a lot! On the days we listen to this story, we will be collecting food for the Food Pantry here at Holy Cross Church. If you are able, please bring a non-perishable food item (see dates below). *Some suggested items would be; pasta, peanut butter, jelly, cans of gravy, bags or boxes of stuffing mix, cans of corn, peas/green beans, cranberry sauce, gallons of juice, foil baking trays.* We will also talk about the special things in our lives that make us feel thankful, throughout the entire month.

**** DON'T FORGET~ All children under 5 are required to have the flu vaccine before December 31st. Please bring documentation to the office as soon as your child has received their vaccination. Thank you! ****



Important Dates...



Please check your child's backpack on a daily basis for art work, and notices for important dates and information.

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| November 7 th - 11 th | ~ No School (*childcare open) |
| November 3 rd & 4 th | ~ Election Day at Holy Cross (see below) |
| November 14 th & 15 th | ~ Bring one non-perishable food item for the food bank (if you are able). |
| November 24 th & 25 th | ~ No School - Happy Thanksgiving! |

** If you need childcare for your child on any days, when school is closed (the week of November 7-11), please don't forget to let us know a.s.a.p. **



ELECTION DAY 2016!



We will be having a mock election on November 3rd and 4th, to teach the children here at Holy Cross about voting! We will be making the very important decision as to which is our favorite cookie.....Oreos or Chips Ahoy!! Each child will be offered one of each cookie at snack time and then they will fill out a voting ballot to choose their favorite! We'll let you know at the end of the day which one was the big winner!

Scholastic Book Fair



We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair during the 1st week of December! There will be lots of wonderful books to choose from just in time for Christmas! ☺

Reading to your preschool-aged child has numerous benefits: it builds strong relationships; it improves basic speech, communication and language skills; and studies have shown that children who are exposed to reading at an early age are more likely to do well in all facets of education. Our Scholastic Book Fair offers a great opportunity to pick out some books to share with your children! Plus, our school will receive a percentage of all sales.....so, encourage your child's love of reading and support our school at the same time!



Warm Clothes for Playground Fun...

The children will continue to visit the playground throughout the year. Please dress your children in appropriate clothing for the colder weather, including sturdy shoes, hats and mittens. The children love to play outdoors and it is healthy for them to be out in the fresh air. We will keep the children in only if it is raining, snowing, sleeting or the temperature drops below 35 degrees Fahrenheit. Please help us out and label all coats, hats, mittens, etc. with your child's name.

A Special Thank You to...

- ~ Anyone that supported the toy and book sale. All money raised will go toward making improvements on our playground!
- ~ All of the families that participated in our Trunk or Treat event! What fun days for everyone!!

**** *Parents, It is always a good idea to check the following website from time to time to be sure that none of your children's toys have been recalled. Go to; <http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/recall/recalls.htm> to find a list of child related product recalls.*

HAVE A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING!!

