

January 2020 Newsletter



Holy Cross Christian Nursery School

### January Happenings at Holy Cross...

#### Community Sing...

In January the children will focus on Peace, Being Kind and Staying Healthy. We will hear stories about New Year's, Martin Luther King Jr., Winter Fun, and Hopscotch (from Meridian Healthcare) will visit! Some of the stories we will hear are <u>Young Martin Luther King, Jr</u>, <u>The Snow Tree</u>, and <u>The Mitten</u>, which we will act out. When we learn about Martin Luther King Jr., we will talk about peace and kindness. Our goal is to show the children that we are special just the way we are and that it doesn't matter what's on the outside but it is what's on the inside that counts. What a great way to begin a new year!



### Important Dates in January 2020...

January 6 – Welcome back from our break!

January 8 & 9 - A Visit from the Dentist! Ocean Pediatric Dentistry will be visiting during Sing Time January 16 & 17 – Pajama Days!

January 20 - No School in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. (childcare will also be closed on this day)

January 22 & 23 – A Visit from Hopscotch & the Pawsitive Action Team, from Meridian Healthcare.

January 27 – January 31 – Parent Teacher Conferences. Please see your child's teacher for times and to sign up.

January 27 & 28 – In-House registration information will be sent home for the 2020-21 school year.

**January 30 & 31** - Super Souper Bowl Days! Wear your favorite team (or school) attire today! SUPER BOWL PARTIES FOR Pre-K classes, and....."SOUPER BOWL DAYS!" We'll be collecting soup for the local food bank

## Perent - Teacher Conferences...

Parent / Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the week of January 27- January 31, 2020. Look for the sign-up sheet posted outside your child's classroom on January 6. It will remain up until conference days. Your child should not attend this conference. If it is a day or time that your child is not in school, many parents make arrangements with friends in the class and sign up for conference times one after another. This way one parent can watch the children while the other parent is meeting with the teacher. If you cannot make any of the times posted, check with your child's teacher to arrange for another time to meet or to schedule a phone conference.

Conferences last 10 or 15 minutes. Please be on time for your conference. If you are late, the entire schedule is affected. If you are more than five minutes late, we may have to ask you to reschedule. If you have any questions concerning conferences, please ask your child's teacher or call the office.



During the chilly month of January, we will get cozy on our Pajama Days!! They will be held on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. On your child's day, please send them into school in their cozy pajamas and a

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pair of slippers in his/her backpack (if they have them). For snack we will serve pancakes to enjoy in our jammies! YUM!

## 2020 - 2021 "In House" Registration

We will start our "In-House Registration on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. This is to ensure that all families within Holy Cross will have their 1<sup>st</sup> choice of classes and be guaranteed a spot for the 2020-21 school year. Once "In-House" Registration is complete, our classes will be open to families outside of our school that would like to register for the fall. If you know anyone that would like more information on our school or would like to schedule a tour, please have them contact me, we are doing tours now for September!

The dates for "In-House" Registration are as follows: January 27 & 28: "In-House" Registration information and forms go home February 7: "In-House" Registration is over February 10: Registration is open to families outside the school

#### \*\*\*\*Just a few reminders\*\*\*\*

Please make sure your child has everything they need for school each day; extra clothes in their backpacks (be sure they are weather appropriate), spoons, forks, napkins in their lunchboxes, filled water bottles/cups for snack and please remember to label everything (including jackets). Make sure that you are packing healthy lunches and snacks for your children, to help them get through their busy days at school. Also......Don't forget, **if the weather permits we will go outside**, so make sure your child has whatever is needed to stay warm on the playground .....thank you!!

# <u>Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!</u>

• Another thank you to everyone that supported our Scholastic Book Fair! Any day now, we will be receiving an awesome new rug for Mrs. Koenigstein & Mrs. D'Aries' room, that we were able to purchase with our Scholastic Dollars!

### Celebrating HALF Birthdays...



If your child has a summer birthday, we can celebrate their HALF BIRTHDAY here at Holy Cross. Please determine when they will be at the half way mark and then let your child's teacher know what day you would like to bring a special snack (munchkins or cookies are the best) so that the children can celebrate! If you would prefer, we can also celebrate their birthday at the end of the school year.

### **Rhyming Fun!**

Studies have shown that rhyming is a crucial early phonological awareness skill that is crucial for reading and spelling. In the preschool environment, we use rhyming all of the time! Our songs and poems rhyme and many of our stories rhyme as well! In January, our 4 year olds will be having fun with rhyming songs and games in their classroom.

# It's Tax Time... FYI our tax I.D. # is 521319755

From Mrs. G and all of the Holy Cross Staff...We wish you all a wonderful & blessed Christmas Holiday and a relaxing & fun winter vacation!

We'll see you back at school on January 6, 2020!

Healthy, Safe and Happy New Year!

