

SACRED HEART EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

November 2019

Notes from Cindie...

Once again, the holiday season has arrived! Every year I take this time to remind parents to slow down and spend time with their children and families. We all get caught up in the hustle and bustle of holiday shopping, cooking, cleaning, traveling, wrapping, and running ragged that we miss the joy of this time of year. Time spent with family at home. Children get very overwhelmed with the extra activities, visiting company and excitement of decorations and parties. Please be mindful



that you may see different or difficult behaviors that are not normal for your child. Consider that they (and yourself) may be exhausted and need down time and the old regular routine. Consider scheduling in some at home days to just play with your children and snuggle on the couch. Of all the Blessing and things, we can be thankful for, Time with our children is the most precious.

Throughout November we will collect non-perishable food item to donate to needy families for the holidays. There will be a basket located in the Kitchen of the main building and in the School age building for your donations.



Thank you to all our Military Veterans that served and are still actively serving our great country. We pray that God may shield you from harm Especially Master Sergeant BRENT J. BUSHEY, Corporal MICHAEL DRAGO and Ensign RILEY ROBERTS.



November 15, 2019 | The St. Jude Trike-a-Thon will be on a Fun day as all the children and staff dress up in their Favorite Sports Team Shirts! The Children that are participating will complete their Trike-A-Thon during their outside playtime. Last year, we had one group that completed 39 laps around the track!! Please turn in your Trike-A-Thon forms to your child's teacher on November 15th!



Everyone is invited to our Annual Turkey Soup Luncheon on Friday, November 22, 2019, 11:00am - 12:30pm We will have Turkey Soup, Green Beans, Turkey Pot Pie, rolls, salad, tea, and Desserts. Lunch will begin at 11:00 starting with the younger children. Please check with your child's teacher for their lunch time.

This is the time of year to reflect on the blessings that one receives in their life. I am thankful for a great family, good health, fantastic friends, teaching the children, my fellow teachers, and for all the families that share your lives with us.

I am thankful for time spent with my children and time to read a good book and have a cup of Barry's Tea.

I hope everyone has a safe and Blessed Thanksgiving.

Ms. Cindie



HOLIDAY BILLING

Now that it is fall and we are approaching the holidays, I wanted to take a few moments to cover tuition during the holidays. This often is a time of confusion.

As stated in your parent handbook and tuition agreement, "full tuition payments are due throughout the year, regardless of absences including, but not limited to, vacation, illness, holidays, or weather closings." This policy applies to all students other than those that are drop-in. This means that you will be billed your regular amount, at a minimum, during the holidays and school breaks whether or not you attend.

Those part-timers that only attend a few days each week, if appropriate, may opt to switch days during the same week with notice after teachers have verified availability. For students that typically attend partial days such as School Age and VPK wrappers but require care for full days during the holidays/school breaks, you may be billed more than your regular amount depending on how many full days are attended during these weeks.

If you have any questions about how your billing will be handled, please feel free to contact the office and we can give you an idea of what to expect. We will do our best to answer any questions you have about this process.

Tracey Roberts, Business Manager

Parent handbooks may be accessed on our website at
<http://sacredheartecc.com/parent-handbook/>



INFANTS

We are so blessed to have a room full of wonderful babies. With the arrival of Fall, we are enjoying our cool mornings outside while we take our buggy ride and join the other children at Morning Assembly.

This month, we will paint with fall colors and make some extra cute Turkey Handprints and a card for mom & dad. Please join us on November 22, 2019 for our Turkey Soup Luncheon.

The children really enjoy the floor play during the day. Reading books and listening to music are great while we develop our language skills. We are also learning how things work when you push them and stack them up. The children love playing with the Character Kids and hearing the stories about them.

Fine motor skills are fun to work on when you get to do it while eating finger foods! Little carrots, peas and green beans are great as well as cut up fruit and chicken.

We will be collecting non-perishable food for families during the month of November to donate to needy families. You can place items in the basket in the kitchen.

We Hsysdba ope that you all have a blessed Thanksgiving and enjoy time with your families.

Ms. Linda Ms. Jennifer Ms. Mary Anne Ms. Amanda



Wonderful One's November News

I can't believe that we are already heading into the holidays! We had so much fun during the month of October! Everyone really enjoys our painting projects. We painted pumpkins and then we used glue for the first time with the children so that they could glue the faces on their pumpkins. The children also painted their fall leaves red, orange, and yellow.

The children will be painting their turkeys for Thanksgiving. We will be discussing the meaning of Thanksgiving. Everyone will be enjoying the new books about Thanksgiving and why we give thanks during the month of November. During the month of October our favorite book to read to the children was Spooky Wheels on the Bus.

We will be adding in some sensory play with the children. It is important for them to have sensory play because it supports language development, cognitive growth, fine and gross motor skills, problem solving skills, and social interaction. I will be introducing shaving cream on the table and a sensory table which will have corn and animals that they can scoop and pour the corn.

Here are some upcoming dates to remember: November 22nd we will be having our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon, and everyone is welcome to come and eat lunch with their child. On December 5th we will be having our Parent Appreciation Night and we will be keeping the

children from 5:30-9:00pm. It is an evening to either spend time with each other where you could go to a nice dinner or finish up your shopping for the holidays.

Thank you for all the wipe and snack donations. Please remember to check your child's basket to make sure that they have the appropriate clothing in case the weather is to change.

Ms. Katie

Ms. Katelyn

Ms. Amanda

Ms. Tiffany

Terrific Two's November News

Oh, how much fun we had in October! We really enjoyed exploring our pumpkins inside and out. I hope you all enjoyed to photos we posted to our closed Facebook page. The pumpkin we planted is already growing sprouts out of it, I will be sure to post some photos of that as it grows. We do plan to put this one in the ground we just haven't decided exactly where yet. We also had fun with our process art projects. It has been fun watching and showing the children how to create such masterpieces on their own. We have plenty more planned for this month as well.

For November we will continue to of coarse talk about fall but we will also be talking about thanksgiving. We will talk about what it means to be thankful. We will work very hard on our table manners as well as setting



the table before dinner and cleaning up when we are finished. We will learn about autumn harvest and we will be planting some seeds to examine as they grow (and hopefully see them produce something we can consume). We have some special

cooking activities planned too. We may withhold posting as many pictures until the end of the month as some of the things we have planned are a surprise.

We hope you can join us for our annual turkey soup luncheon on November 23rd from 11am to 1230pm. I will post a sign-up sheet the week of so that we can have an idea how many will be joining us.



Did You Know?

-Process art is an artistic movement as well as a creative sentiment where the end product of art and craft, is not the principal focus. The 'process' in process art refers to the process of the formation of art: the gathering, sorting, collating, associating, patterning, and moreover the initiation of actions and proceedings.

-Product art the focus is more on the final product rather than the experience of producing it.

This month's dates to remember:

-Turkey Soup Luncheon
11:00-12:30

-SHECC CLOSED
November 28th and 29th
in observance of
Thanksgiving

With the holidays upon us I would like to ask you all the courtesy of letting us know in advance if your child will not be attending any of their normal scheduled days. We also ask that you continue to get them here on time by 9:30am so that we can maintain a productive routine and allow every child to participate in our planned activities.

I would like to give you all the courtesy of letting you know that I will not be here from December 23rd thru 31st. My shift will be covered by Ms. Nicole and Ms. Lily so your

children will be with their normal teachers and their routines will stay the same.

In closing I would like to take a moment to share with you how grateful I am to be blessed with the opportunity to provide care for each of your children. Some of you this is the second one of your children I have gotten to watch grow. Some of you this is the second year I get to have your child with me in my class. I am thankful for this opportunity and for each of you as parents and co teachers and for all you do for our classroom. I pray that you all have a very blessed thanksgiving.

Pre- School IA November News

During the month of November, we will be learning about fall leaves, turkeys, and Thanksgiving. Our emphasis for Thanksgiving will be how God provides for all our needs and that the pilgrims came to American so that they could worship God freely.



Friday, November 15th:

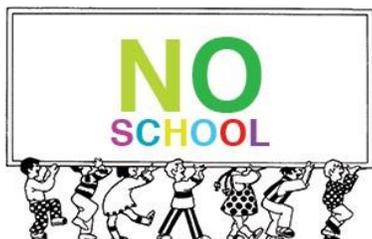
Sports Team Dress-up Day

(Wear your favorite team's jersey)

St. Jude's Children's Research Trike-a-thon Fundraiser

| Last year the children in my class went around the track approximately 50 times!

Friday November 22nd: Thanksgiving Luncheon at 11:00 am
(Come by and have lunch with your child)



School will be closed on Thursday,
November 28th and Friday, November 29th.



This month's self-help focus will be Asking for Help instead of crying. We will guide the children through walking away from a situation and asking for help. We will help the children to learn to use words to express their feelings and needs. Feelings such as frustration, anger and disappointment will be introduced along with strategies to handle with these feeling such as taking a deep breath and counting to four or interacting with the sensory bottles or bins. If possible, please support your child through this learning process at home.

The children have really made excellent progress on their toileting skills. Most can go the bathroom all by themselves! Please remember to dress your child in elastic waist clothing which makes it easy for them to pull their pants up and down. Check your child's bin to see if they have extra clothes and that they are the correct size and seasonally appropriate.



Preschool 1B November News



As we finish up focusing on pumpkins, we will begin working on our farm unit. While working on our farm unit, the children will learn what vegetables grow on big farms and what food can grow in a garden at their home. We will also continue working with the 5-character kids to help with the development of each child's social skills.

Each week, we will focus on a different subject that has to do with farming.

- The first week is the animals that you can find on a farm
- Second week is the food that can be grown
- Third week is learning how to plant the food that can be grown
- Fourth week is learning about the different kinds of equipment that you can find on a farm



Upcoming events

November 15th – Sports Team Dress Up Day

November 22nd – Thanksgiving Luncheon at 11:00 am

November 28th – 29th – closed for Thanksgiving break

Reminders

Your child will be climbing on large structures, sliding, balancing, jumping, running and so much more. It is extremely important that you send your child in both socks and closed toed shoes that is easy for your child to take on and off. If your child is not already potty trained, it will become an important area of focus. We hope to have the majority, if not all, of the children potty trained before they move up to Ms. Angie's class in July. It is also very important that you are packing your child with enough healthy food for lunch as the non-healthy food will be served with your child's afternoon snack.

Ms. Victoria, Ms. Ashley, Mrs. Barbara



Pre- School II News

October has been full of excitement with fall classroom activities, harvest cooking activities, and the thrill of Halloween around the corner.

What a wonderful few months it has been so far. All the children seem to have settled into their new routines very well. It is amazing to see how quickly they develop their social-emotional skills through the power of play. They are happy to explore all the play areas at our center. It is delightful to see so many smiling faces each day.

These are some of the new routines and skills your children have been learning:

- Transition songs, alphabet and counting songs, days of the week songs, and bible songs.
- Taking turns and sharing with our friends and using words to communicate.
- Remembering to use "walking feet" inside and saving the "running feet" for outside.
- Remembering to use "inside voices" in the classroom.
- Experimenting with scissors, glue, crayons, markers, pencils, and paint.
- Please notice the children's artwork in our classroom, they're very proud of it.
- Letters (with sounds) numbers, colors, and shapes.



We look forward to our November Thanksgiving Holiday activities. We will continue to learn about Fall and reflect with the children on the importance of being thankful for all that God has given to us. Please remember that Sacred Heart will have a *Thanksgiving luncheon on Friday, November 22, at 11:30am* for families. We hope you will join us.

November is also a month to stop and reflect upon the abundant blessings we have been given. We would like to express our gratefulness for you, our families. We are truly thankful that you have chosen to share your precious children with us. We thank God for all of you!

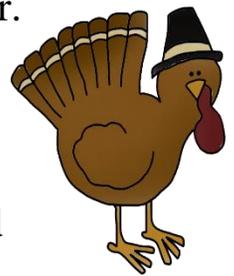
Wishing you a very blessed Thanksgiving!

Ms. Angie Ms. Natalie Ms. Emma

VPK with Wrap

Welcome November! Welcome the cooler weather! Please remember that when our weather becomes cooler layers work best. The mornings may be cool, but it still gets warm in the afternoons. Please remember to put your child's name on their jackets to avoid a jacket going home with a different preschooler.

We will continue with our fall unit using the study topics of Gourds, Pumpkins, and Family/Thanksgiving. Our stories, songs, and learning activities will match up to what we are learning. We are focusing on the letters (upper and lower case). The letter sounds, and we frequently write in our journals. We will be exploring different kinds of pumpkins and gourds. Mixing different colors at the easel and lacing leaves. (This helps us practice left-right progression) this will round out our unit.



We will be learning a little more in math in many ways. We will be matching different kinds of counters with numbers, practicing our ordinal numbers, when we line up for our nature walk and we will count different objects. For Science, we will be weighing the different pumpkins and gourds. We will observe them, and we will be touching and tasting their interior for a sensory experience.

The Early Childhood Education domains that we are focusing on is the Cognition. This is the general knowledge of early mathematics and early scientific developments. For Family and Thanksgiving, and our Social Studies aspect, we

will be learning about Thanksgiving. The V.P.K will go into detail about the original American story. We will be discussing about the Native Americans. Where is Plymouth Rock? How the Pilgrims came to America? What is the Mayflower? How the Native Americans and Pilgrims became friends?

The V.P.K. will be cooking with Sister Donna. Sister Donna is a blessing to our V.P.K and She always comes up with the most creative food experiences for the children. Sister Donna also, teaches bible on Tuesdays and the children enjoy her in the church. If you are able and would like to donate pumpkins and gourds to our class, it would be appreciated. Your



donations go a long way and do not go unnoticed. Our children cook, explore, and create. Thank you. We will be having a Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 22 at 11:45 am. Please look out for the signup sheet for the party. The signup sheet is usually located where you sign your child in and out for the day.

Thanks, Love in Jesus,

Ms. Ida Ms. Cindie

1 Chronicles 16:34

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever”.

VPK II

Dear Parents/ Grandparents/Guardians,

Peace and Love of Jesus Christ be with you all!

October was a very fun, exciting, and tangible learning month for our children. We would like to thank you dear parents/grandparents who donated Baskets, who came to assemble Baskets for our Basket Raffle to raise fund for our School, who bring ingredients for our monthly cooking experiences and who bring our monthly snack donation.

Our Study Topics for this month include: ***All Saints Day, All Souls Day, Fall Leaves, Harvest, All about Family and Thanksgiving.***

November 1 is a special day called the ***feast of All Saints***. It is the day the Church celebrates with all the people who have died and are now with God in heaven. We will discuss about Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta (whom I know personally) who loved

Jesus so much and shared His love with others. She used to say” Do small things for others with great love for Jesus”. We will be learning to do small things for others with great love for Jesus.

All Souls' Day is on November 2 and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. We remember all of our departed dear ones and pray for them. You are most welcome to bring a picture of any of your departed dear ones to our class.

We will be discussing Fall **Leaves** and their color changes from green to red, orange, yellow and brown. We will learn what happens to them when they fall of the tree? We read Stories, sing songs, we count leaves, decorate leaves, and sought out the leaves by color and size.

We will be talking about our **Family and Thanksgiving**. We will discuss who is in our families and how do we celebrate Thanksgiving with our family members. We will be reading many stories about Thanksgiving and other learning activities such as Thanksgiving songs, art, patterning, and we will discuss about what we are thankful for, such as our family members, friends, school etc.

We will be learning making pattern and continue our study of the Math activities for building number sense to 1-20, Learning Alphabet letter, sound and we brainstorm to find the words that begin with that letter. And we started to learn sight words and compound words.

This month we are focusing on the **Social and Emotional Developmental domain**. We learn to take turns, help our friends, play together, sharing and cooperate with others. We learn to recognize and understand our own feelings and actions and those of other people, and how our own feelings and actions affect ourselves and others. And we learn to express thoughts, feelings, and behaviors in socially appropriate ways and to calm down when we are angry or excited.

Please continue to help us what we need for our monthly cooking experiences and with our monthly snack donation. We greatly appreciate all you do, to support our classroom and may God bless and reward you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Please remember to come on November 22nd for our Thanksgiving Soup luncheon at 11:45am.

We wish you a very happy Thanksgiving and may God continue to bless your family!

Sr. Elizabeth & Ms. Debbie



Before and After School

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! We have so much to be thankful for!

The children will research why Leaves change color and other interesting facts about trees in Autumn. We are thankful for the bountiful Harvest from God and will learn about the different foods that are harvested this time of year. The Children will talk about Thanksgiving and what they are thankful for. We will also talk All About Family and what makes each of our families unique and special.



Thank you and Happy Veteran's Day to all the Veteran's that served to make our country safe and free.

Please sign up if your children will be attending over the Thanksgiving holiday. Public school will be closed on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Please remember to send a lunch with your children on those days that they are attending. Sacred Heart Early Childhood Center will be closed on Thursday and Friday.



Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Ms. Debbie Ms. Laura Ms. Heather