

# **News from the Blue Class**

God is my helper. He is a friend of mine! Psalms 54:4

## **Important Dates**

- 10/31: Preschool is open when Olathe Schools are closed
- November 11/15: Blue Classes' Parent Day
- 11/16: Firefighter Visit for P.M.
- 11/17: Firefighter Visit for A.M.
- 11/22: Devotional Program, see below
- November 11/23, 24, 25: No School, Thanksgiving Break

## **Future Dates of Note**

December 10: Christmas Worship 10-11:30 am

## **Fall Conferences**

We always enjoy fall conferences! It's fun to chat about these children that we're getting to know, share what we've seen, and hear the home perspective from you. Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to meet with us, we know it's not always easy. Our next conferences will be the week of February 6. Remember, if you have any questions or concerns before then, please feel free to contact us.

## **Community Helpers**

We are leaving our Seasons Unit and are getting ready to move on to the diverse world of community helpers. Our House Area will turn into a Doctor's office. Also included will be dress-ups for firefighters, postal workers, construction workers and more. The Block area will have containers filled with a wide variety of community helper figures plus a fire house and airport with all the appropriate vehicles to go with them. Books in our bookcase will show pictures and tell stories about the people who help us in our community. We'll even be learning how preschool children themselves can be community helpers! If you have a special kind of job that you would like to share with the children, please let us know.

### **Parent Day**

We invite parents to join us for our Fall Parent Day, November 15. The activity time will start at the beginning of your child's preschool day and last for approximately 1 hour, ending on the playground (weather permitting). After that time, we will return to the classroom and finish the rest of our regular activities. You and your child will cycle through 3 activities and we'll have some singing. Due to space constraints we cannot allow younger siblings to attend. Please try to find child care for the tiny ones, so that you can share this special time with your preschooler.

### **Devotional Program**

The Tuesday classes school-wide will have a devotional program in the Sanctuary on November 22. This is a time when we gather as a unit to learn about and sing praises to God. Family members are welcome to join with us at this time. The morning devotional will be at 9:05 and the afternoon time is 12:30.

### **Christmas Adoptions**

Several years ago our preschool began a program of adopting some children in need at Christmas time. As teachers, we do not expect gifts from our students even as we appreciate the generosity and hope to redirect it towards making a brighter Christmas for some local less-fortunate children. When we have the names and ages of the children we are adopting, we will let you know. If you would like to be a part of this program, come in and choose an item from the list that your child can donate. Most of the items are things that can be purchased at Wal-Mart. It is a wonderful way to help your child to understand the gift of giving.

### **A Cool Weather Request**

Since our weather is turning cooler the children are coming to school in a variety of warmer clothes. We have found that the tops that zip down only part of the way in the front seem to be frustrating for our age group. Sometimes there is a struggle to put them on and take them off by themselves. If possible, it would be helpful to find an outer garment for school that is easy for them negotiate. Also, please remember to change out the extra clothes in the backpack so that they fit the weather. If they're needed this time of year, we don't want to put them in shorts and a t-shirt!

## **Blue Class Birthdays for November**

There are no birthdays in either Blue Class

### **Our Prayer**

(To the tune of Frere Jacques)

God our Father, God our Father,

Once again, once again.

We will ask your blessing, we will ask your blessing.

Amen, amen.

Your Blue Class Teachers:

Blue a.m. - Ms. Donna, Ms. Leslie and Ms. Mary

Blue p.m. - Ms. Leslie, Ms. Susan, Ms. Mary