

# News from the Purple Class

“Today in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord.”  
Luke 2:11

## Important Dates

Dec 10: Christmas Worship 10:00-11:30

Dec 19 – Jan 3: School Closed, Christmas Break

Jan 4: Classes resume, even though Olathe schools closed

## Gifts Unit

This week we begin our Gifts Unit. As Christmas approaches we will be focusing on the true reason for Christmas, the birth of Jesus. We have turned our structure into a stable in the House area. We have a baby Jesus and Nativity set for the children to act out the story of Jesus' birth, which we will be sharing with them from our class Bible and other books. During this unit we will work on math concepts such as 1:1 counting, graphing, and same & different. We will also work on sequencing, rhyming, and spatial words.

## Christmas Adoptions

Thank you to everyone who helped us with our Christmas adoptions this year. This project provided an opportunity for our students to be community helpers. It also ties into our Gifts unit, as children get to feel the joy in helping others through their gift giving. We had such an overwhelming response that we were also able to collect socks, toothpaste, and toothbrushes for students at Westview Elementary school. Please remember all items need to be turned in before **December 8<sup>th</sup>**.

## Looking Ahead to 2012

**Show and Tell:** Students will have an opportunity to share a toy or other favorite item with their classmates after Christmas break. The item needs to fit easily into your child's backpack. Look for details to be coming home soon.

## **Purple Class Birthdays**

These are the dates we will be acknowledging birthdays with these friends.

Rowan Cunningham (12/3) – Friday, December 2  
Cade Teager (12/14) – Wednesday, December 14  
Jake Manning (12/26) – Friday, December 16  
Evan Seher (12/27) – Friday, December 16  
Eric Nelson (12/31) – Wednesday, January 4

## **Merry Christmas!**

Your Purple Class Teachers:  
Ms. Leslie, Ms. Sara, and Ms. Jayne