## November Pre-K-3 Newsletter



Pre-K-3 had a great time celebrating Halloween! My "little pumpkins" looked so cute in their costumes! We had fun playing various Halloween games, making some Halloween crafts, singing our favorite Halloween songs, and listening to a super silly Halloween story.

Just a few reminders:

\*Friday, November 3 – **No Pre-K-3 – Clerical Day** 

\*Friday, November 17 – Class Thanksgiving Celebration and

Last Day of Pre-K-3 for Thanksgiving

Break

\*Saturday, November 18 – Wednesday, November 29 –

No Pre-K-3 – Thanksgiving Break

\*Thursday, November 30 – **Pre-K-3 Class Resumes** 



During this season of being Thankful and Grateful, the Pre-K-3 and 4 students worked on a special school service project. Working with Miss DiPaolo, all 31 students each painted 2 wooden star shapes and

then decorated them with matching buttons of various sizes. They turned out Amazing! Half of the stars will get a matching-colored ribbon that will be attached to them to create holiday ornaments while the other stars will be turned into magnets. Miss DiPaolo will then deliver our special stars to Avets Specialty & Emergency Trauma Center in Monroeville, PA. Miss DiPaolo chose this location because of the wonderful doctors and staff there that helped to take care of her pet guinea pig, Patches, during her time with us. Anyone coming in to have their pet seen or for treatment will be welcome to take a star or two to help them celebrate the holiday season.



On Thursday, December 21, 2023, the Pre-K-3 class will be getting everyone in the holiday spirit with a special performance at 10:00am in the church hall. They will be sharing some holiday songs about Jesus and Santa. We will be practicing these in our classroom each day. I

have sent home a copy of all the words to them for you and your child to practice. Don't worry if you don't know the tunes or motions, they will help you with that. It is just **important for them to practice saying the words.** Each family will be receiving an invitation so you can make arrangements now to attend our performance. We are extending the invite to just parents, younger siblings, and grandparents.

Also, inside your invitation you will find an RSVP card. I ask that you fill it out and return to school by **Friday**, **December 1**, **2023**. This will give us an idea about how many family members will be attending so we can set up the hall with enough chairs. I will be sending out a letter at a later time about each family sending in a dozen cookies pre-plated on a disposable or non-returnable plate/tray for our little reception following the performance.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR
NICHOLAS!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!
Birthday wishes go out to Nicholas,
who will celebrate his special day on
November 19



The fall weather has arrived and the students will still be going outside for recess. To encourage independence, the students have been learning and practicing the "coat trick". Please make sure your child has a jacket /coat to wear outside. I am asking that the students not wear a sweatshirt or hoodie that would have to go over their head.



This month we will be:

- \*Talking about the Thanksgiving story
- \*Singing songs/reading
  Thanksgiving stories
  - \*Talking about what we are
    Thankful for
  - \*Making fun Thanksgiving crafts
  - \*Beginning to learn about Advent and Christmas
  - \*Practicing and rehearsing for our upcoming Christmas Concert

I just wanted to take a moment to say how thankful I am to be a part of the J.F.K Catholic family and staff. To my Pre-K-3 families, I am so grateful to be your child's teacher this year and I appreciate you sharing your child with me! Most of all, I am so thankful for my "little turkeys" who make coming to school so much fun! I love seeing those happy little faces every morning eager to see what we are going to learn and do, getting to share new experiences with them, getting to know each one's personalities, making messes, singing songs and sharing stories, and most of all getting to share with them how much I LOVE being their teacher!