

I'm A King's Kid



King of Glory Preschool

December Newsletter

December 1, 2014

Christmas Chapel Celebration

Mark Your Calendar

Please join us on
Thursday December 11th
and
Friday December 12th at
9:15 am for our
Songs of Christmas
Chapel.

Each class will perform
a special Christmas

song just for you,
and you are invited
to join in on the fun
in a group Christ-
mas sing a long.
Be sure to bring
your camera, this is
definitely a
Kodak moment
to remember.
Refreshments will
be provided for

parents and guest
after the chapel
by the

King of Glory
Church
Fellowship



King of Glory Preschool
*A Ministry of King of Glory
Lutheran church*

Dates to Remember

- Dec 9 - Last Day for Toy Drive
- Dec 9 & 10 - KOG FUNdraiser Nights at IHOP all day
- Dec 11 & 12 - Pre-school Christmas Program 9:15AM
- Dec 17 & 18 - Class Christmas Parties
- Dec 22 - Jan 2 - School Closed for Christmas Recess

On Campus Field Trips

We will begin our "On Campus Field Trips" in February. Each month we try to invite individuals or groups to come to our school and share with the children about their profession. We have had Mr. Tom the Music Man, Captain Carl's Mobil Tide Pool and a dentist. Last year we also had several preschool parents or a family member who came and shared their profession or special hobby with the children.

If you have a special talent and would like to be part of the On Campus Field Trip program please let us know. We have a field trip each month February - May, we try to alternate between M/W/F and T/Th for our presentation days. On field trip days all children are invited to attend, even if its not their day to be at school.

Fall 2015

Registration

Priority

Registration

Current

Families:

1/26 - 2/6

Community

Open

Enrollment

Feb. 11

See January

Newsletter for

Registration

Details

Curriculum Themes

- **General:** Holiday Joy - Spirit of the Season - O Holy Family - Our Gifts to Each Other
- **Christian:** Holy Family - God's Gift to Us - Jesus is Born
- **Sensorimotor:** Basic Body Movement
- **Color:** Red



Notes From The Pastor



Dear Preschool Families,

We have stepped into the month of December, and Christmas is fast approaching. I do not know about you all, but it seems like Christmas comes each year before I am ready for it. There are always more gifts to buy, more decorations to hang, or another Christmas card that needs to be sent. Christmas truly is a unique time of year. It brings joy in its warmth, but it can also bring stress in all the work that needs to get done.

In the midst of all of this busyness, let us strive to hold tight to the heart of the Christmas message. It is about a God who loves us so deeply that God was born among us in a manger. Jesus came to talk, heal, and simply be with the people that he loves. And indeed, God loves us all! At the center of Christmas is God's compassion.

This Christmas, let us feel that love and share it. Perhaps that might mean setting aside some of the busyness the season normally brings. But it may be better to share the warmth of family than hanging up more decorations. Perhaps it is better to leave the Christmas lights in the box if it gives us more time to share the light of God's love!

I also wish to invite you all to our Christmas Eve worship this year. The service, which will be held at 4:30 PM, will be a family-focused service with a Christmas skit. All children are invited to participate. The skit will be a short pageant that tells the story of the first Christmas. As we hear the story out loud, the children will re-enact it through simple actions. There will be adult leaders in front for the kids to imitate. In other words, it is like a big game of "follow the leader." We will be having a rehearsal sometime before Christmas, but the date has not yet been scheduled. Even if you cannot attend the rehearsal, however, the children are still welcome to participate. It is sure to be a fun time.

I wish you all many blessings during this season.

Peace,
Pastor Steve Simpson

*All are invited
for our Christmas Eve Worship,
Wednesday, December 24, 4:30 p.m.
Children's Pageant & Communion
Special Music with King of Glory Brass
and Choir*





THANK YOU



Thank you everyone for supporting our fall fundraisers. The school earned \$624.60 on the Master-piece Cookie Dough sale, which will be used for property maintenance.

In October we raised \$85 from our Garden Recycling collections. The total for November is not in yet, watch for it in the January Newsletter. *If you are planning* a big gathering for Christmas or New Year please remember the garden if you have recycle items. We are planning our winter gardens now.

We have earned a total of \$336.87 from our October and November KOG restaurant nights. The money from "King of Glory Night Fundraisers" will be used for the "Teachers Workshops and a new computer. If you have a favorite eatery please let us know.

Our next KOG restaurant fundraiser is all day on Tuesday, December 9th and Wednesday, December 10th at IHOP.

Thank you also to all our wonderful preschool families who participated in our Thanksgiving Feast on November 24 & 25. Children and parents alike enjoyed a wonderful feast and a very special time of fellowship together. I would also like to thank Sue Meser & Karen Malotte of King of Glory Church.

And a big thank you to all who supported this years Christmas Shoppe Toy Drive. Your generous donations play a major role in helping to make Christmas brighter for many families in the Conejo Valley. Thank You!



King of Glory Preschool Family FUNdraiser

At



On

Tuesday, December 9, 2014

AND Wednesday, December 10, 2014

ALL DAY (6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)

Bring a flyer with you, present it when you pay, and IHOP will donate 20% of the Proceeds from your meal back to KOG.

**IHOP / 2315 Michael Drive /
Newbury Park, CA 91320**

Shop on Amazon.com?

Just in time of the Christmas shopping season, you can help raise funds for the church and preschool just by buying what you already do through Amazon! By going to smile.amazon.com, you can choose to have Amazon send a portion of your purchases to King of Glory.

The first time you go to the Amazon Smile home page, you will be asked to choose a charity. Type in King of Glory Lutheran Church, and then select Newbury Park. Then just shop as normal. Millions of items are eligible for the program. Each item page lists if it is Smile eligible or not.

If you are currently using Amazon Smile, and would like to update your charity preference to King of Glory, go to smile.amazon.com and click on the orange word "Supporting" at the top of the page. You will then be given the opportunity to change to KOG.

Have an Amazon account?

- Amazon Prime eligible
- Wishlists, payment information, saved address, etc. all will carry over
- Use your existing login

Just a reminder for our Half Day Children

Parents please pick up your child and exit the yard by 12:45

Kindergarten Readiness

Looking ahead to registration for next year many of you may wonder what the difference is between our 3 year old preschool program and our 4 year old pre-k program. *Reminder California has changed the age requirement for kindergarten. Children must be 5 years old by September 1, 2015 to enroll in traditional kindergarten for the 2015/2016 school year.*

All of our pre-k classes are designed to prepare the children to successfully enter kindergarten. The areas covered for pre-reading skills are alphabet recognition (both upper and lower case), introduction to phonemic awareness, rhyming, and printing skills.

For math the children will be introduced to number recognition, sorting & classification, number correspondence, pattern recognition and measurement concepts.

While the pre-k classes are more academic, they are still developmentally based. We will continue to work with the children on socialization skills, learning to work together in large and small groups, problem solving and conflict resolution.

Rooms 1 & 5 pre-k are for children who are 4 years old by September 1st.

Room 4 pre-k is for children with fall and early winter birthdays who turn 4 after September 1st.

*The choice of days for all pre-k classes,
5-Day, 4-Day, 3-Day and 2-Day*

Garden Fundraiser

December / January Garden Recycling Collection

Dates: Wednesday December 3rd
(only 1 this month)

Wednesday January 14th

Thursday January 27th

The collection times will be 7:00am - 9:00am and 12:30pm - 1:00pm. The collection location will be on the preschool play yard parking lot.

REMEMBER CRV PLASTIC WATER OR SODA BOTTLES AND



Trash to Treasure



Morning Classes

Room 1:

- Empty wrapping paper tubes

Room 5:

- 8oz. Doyle Pineapple Chunks cans
- Paper towel tubs

Afternoon Classes

- Art supplies and paper

Office:

- Used HP, Lexmark, and Dell inkjet cartridges (drop off in preschool office)
- Campbell's product labels. Collection bin for labels is located near the front gate.



It's Jacket Time

Please remember to send a jacket, sweater or coat each day with your child. Even if it seems like a nice morning, the weather can change very quickly.

We play outside every day unless it is raining. And the children are expected to wear a jacket when the teacher feels it is needed. We will have your child wear a lost and found jacket if their own is not at school.

Please remember to put your child's name in their school jacket, incase it ends up in the lost & found bin.

**ACTIVITY
CORNER**

Gift Coupons

Your youngster will get writing practice - and learn to give of himself - with this holiday gift project.

Materials: white construction paper, safety scissors, pencil, stapler

Together, make *"My Gift to You"* coupons for your child to give to family members. Inside will be tickets for jobs he or she can do for each person. Begin by asking him or her to help come up with ideas,

Examples: "Set the table for dinner," "Help Dad clean the garage", "Pick up toys in the play room" etc. Then, cut the paper into coupon-sized strips, and help your child write out each job. Finally, staple the coupons together to make a book.

Note: Be sure to redeem the coupons!

You might give advance notice by saying, "I'll need help setting the table tonight, so I'm going to use my coupon"

Resources for Educators, 2006 ♥

All of us at King of Glory wish you and your families

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Mrs. Ashlee , Mrs. Camarillo,
Mrs. Dawn, Mrs. Lauri,
Mrs. Louise, Mrs. Lynda,
Mrs. Patti, Mrs. Paulette,
Mrs. Robin, Miss Ruthie,
&
Pastor Steve Simpson



UP COMING EVENTS

January

- Jan - Watch for KOG Fundraiser Night
- Jan 5 - School Resumes
- Jan 14 & 27 - Garden Recycling Days
- Jan 19 - School Closed - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Fall 2015 Registration - current families; Jan. 26 - Feb. 6



February

- Jan 26 - Feb 2 - Fall 2015 Priority Registration for current families .
- Feb 4 - Happy Birthday King of Glory Preschool, 23 years of serving the children and families of the Conejo Valley
- Feb 13- School Closed - Lincoln's Birthday Holiday
- Feb 16 - School Closed - Washington's Birthday Holiday