*Preschool News*

 *November and December 2018*

***Thank you!***

*Thank you for attending Parent/Teacher conferences this past week. We enjoyed meeting with you! Thank you for entrusting your children to us and allowing us to be one of their very first teachers! We thank you for your support of Hope Lutheran Preschool!*

***Tuition***

*Just a reminder that if you are paying monthly by check or cash or electronically, the November tuition is due this week. Please let Mrs.Pluff know if you have any questions. If you signed up for the FACTS program, the amount will come out on your chosen date.*

***Hope Lutheran School Annual Auction***

*!Details of the auction is on the bulletin board in the Preschool hallway. Online bidding began on Oct. 26th. A link was sent home last week if you would like to bid online. You may also purchase a raffle ticket up until Thursday of this week.*

*Thank you for all of the donations that were given to the Gift card Christmas tree and the Basket of Books. If you would still like to donate, you may do so up until Wednesday Oct. 31st. The items are on display in the Preschool hallway.*

***Super Hero and Princess Day***

*Thursday November 8th is Super Hero or Princess Day. Your child may dress up for the day at school. Please make sure your child still wears tennis shoes to school for safety on the playground or in the gym.*

***Operation Christmas Child***

*If your family is participating in the Operation Christmas Child project, the filled boxes are due at school by Wednesday November 7th. We still have extra boxes in the Preschool hallway and church entry if you would still like to participate.*

***Guest Reader Program***

*If you would like to volunteer as a Guest Reader in your child’s classroom, please speak with your individual teacher. Each teacher will set their own schedules. Grandparents and other family members are also welcome. However, all volunteers must have a background check on file. Please let Mrs. Pluff know if you would like to volunteer, but do not have one on file.*

***Thanksgiving break***

*Hope Lutheran Preschool will be closed on Wednesday Nov. 21-Friday Nov. 23rd for Thanksgiving break. All School will dismiss at noon on Tuesday Nov. 20th. The afternoon session for the full day program will not be held that day and lunch will not be served.*

***Christmas Family Night***

*Christmas Family Movie night is Friday Dec. 14th beginning at 6:30pm. More information will come home soon.*

***Preschool/Kindergarten Christmas Program***

*This year Hope Lutheran Preschool will join together with Hope Lutheran Kindergarten for our Christmas program. It will be held on Thursday Dec. 20th beginning at 10 am. It will be held in the Family Life Center. The children will come to school at their regular school time, if possible we would all children to arrive by 8:30 that day, even if they normally come at 9. Parents, grandparents and other family members will join us in the Family Life Center (big gym at west end of the building) for the program beginning at 10am. Children should wear their Dressy clothes or Christmas attire. Please keep in mind the children will be standing on risers/stairs, so please keep this in mind when choosing their shoes.*

*After the Christmas program, we will hold our Christmas brunch and celebration beginning approximately at 10:30. This will be the Christmas gathering for the entire Preschool and their families. All family members are invited to attend. All families will be asked to bring one item to add to the brunch. More information will come home closer to the date. The brunch will end by 11:30, children in the half day programs will leave with their families at that time. The Full day program will still have the afternoon session, if your child is in the Full day program and will be staying for the remainder of the day they will be dismissed to their teacher at 11:30.*

*We would like to have party favors for the children to take with them after the brunch. Closer to December, you will receive information if you would like to donate something to add to their bags. We have 48 children in our program, so lots of volunteers are welcome and needed.*

***Christmas Break***

*Christmas break will begin after the Christmas brunch for the children in the half day programs (Mrs. Jaime, Mrs. Pluff and Mrs. Baack’s classes or if your child attends up until Thursday). Mrs. Johnston’s class will still have school on Friday Dec. 21st, but will dismiss at* **noon** *on that day. There will be no afternoon session and lunch will not be served. School will resume on Monday January 7th, 2019 in the New Year.*