



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Preschool Newsletter October 20 18

But Jesus called the children to Him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these". Luke 18:16

The children are settled into their classes and you can hear their sweet voices in the halls of our preschool. We feel so blessed to have your children at our preschool!

Pumpkin Patch for Preschool Classes

**See Field Trip info sheet for more details*

Wednesday, October 10th

Mrs. Morrison's MWF Class

* Snack at 9:55 and Tour at 10:15 *

Thursday October 11th

Mrs. Hanlon, Mrs. Morrison, & Mrs. Seip's TTH Classes

* Snack at 9:40 and Tour at 10:00 *



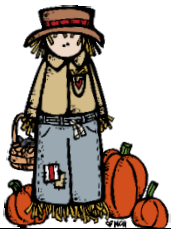
Pumpkin Patch for Junior Kindergarten

**See Field Trip info sheet for more details*

Mrs. Samuel's Class

Friday, October 12th

* Tour at 9:00am, Snack after Tour *



October is Fire Safety Month

We will have the SJFD visit to teach our preschoolers

FIRE SAFETY!

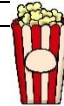
FRIDAY, OCT 19TH AT 9:30AM

*T/Th families are invited to attend the presentation in our back parking lot.



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Movie Night



Friday, October 19th at 6:30pm - more info in cubbies soon.



Happy Hollow for Pre K Classes

**See Field Trip info sheet for more details*

Friday, October 26th

Mrs. Palmaffy MWF, Mrs. Song MWF & Mrs. Adams M-F Classes

*Meet at 9:40am at picnic tables, entrance into the park at 10:00

Music begins this month!

We will sing, dance with scarves, and play instruments,
and be silly with Mrs. Petrehn our Music Teacher!

MWF and M-F Classes
Wednesday, Oct. 17th



Tues/Thurs Classes
Thursday, Oct. 18th

Chapel begins this month!

MWF and M-F Classes – Wednesday, Oct. 17th at 9:30am

Tues/Thurs Preschool Classes - Thursday, Oct. 18th at 9:30am



Chapel time gives our children the opportunity to gather together in the church, hear a bible story, sing praise songs, and learn how much God loves them! They will learn many new songs and stories this year! A Chapel calendar will be in your child's cubby so you will know what story and bible verse we are studying. Each week a "Chapel Highlights" will be placed in your child's cubby so you can go over some teachable lessons with your child. **Each new student will receive a bible to take home to that they can continue their learning.**

Our Chapel offerings go to C.O.M.E. (Community Outreach Ministry Endeavor). C.O.M.E. distributes food and clothing to needy families with children in downtown San Jose. Our preschool children are encouraged to bring a love-gift offering (1-2 coins) to help others in need. *(More information about C.O.M.E. is towards the end of this newsletter.)*

Noah's Ark Parade

Come dressed as your favorite animal!



Every year we learn the Noah's Ark story in Chapel and then we will have a parade of animals at the end of October. Your child will dress as an animal (cat, dog, bear, butterfly, dinosaur, etc.) on the days shown below and parents are welcome to watch the parade and take pictures. A simple costume with ears and a yarn tail is an easy way to turn your little one into their favorite animal! We also have several costumes on hand in the office to borrow beginning October 18th. We love donations too! Parades begin at 11:30am.

Tuesday, October 30th

TTH Classes

Mrs. Hanlon

Mrs. Seip

Mrs. Morrison

Wednesday, October 31st

M-F & MWF Classes

Mrs. Morrison

Mrs. Palmaffy

Mrs. Song

Mrs. Adams

Mrs. Samuel



Operation Care & Comfort

Our preschool collects unwanted Halloween candy and donates it to our Troops. Individually wrapped hard candy, mints, gum, and chocolate are acceptable. Also, small packages of pretzels, cookies, and crackers. Please bring donations to your student's teacher November 1st – 2nd.

Book Fair



We would like to thank all of you who so generously participated in our successful Scholastic Book Fair! The proceeds will go to literacy items for our classrooms. Thank you for your support!

Library Notice

"There is more treasure in books than in the entire pirate's loot on Treasure Island." – Walt Disney
We are excited to share the love of reading with your children by offering a wide variety of books to borrow from our library. Please remember to return them (including the bags) within a week so others can enjoy them!



We are a NUT Free School!

Please do not to bring nuts of any kind to school.

This includes food for snacks, lunch, birthdays, Family Movie Night, Noah's Ark Parade, and any other holidays. Sunflower butter is a great alternative!

Birthdays/Treats



We enjoy celebrating your child's birthday at SOTV! Please speak with your child's teacher at least a week before their birthday if you plan on bringing in treats. Children must be offered our provided snack for the day and we encourage them to eat this healthy snack. Please keep treats simple. Examples are: Gogurt, pretzel bag, jello, etc.

Pencils and stickers are also good alternatives! Please note that we will not serve the children cupcakes.

SIGN IN

Sign In/Out Procedure

SIGN OUT

Please remember to sign your child in and out each day on the iPads by putting in your code and then pressing Drop off or Pick up. If you or your child's caregiver has forgotten their "person specific" code, please contact the office and we will email it to you. You may also add or delete caregivers from your list by coming into the office and making the change on the Licensing form. This is a state requirement for the safety of the children and SOTV could be fined for children not properly signed in/out.

Safety at SOTV

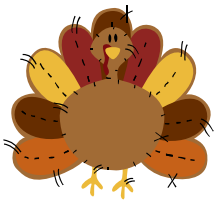
Your children are precious to us...help us keep them safe!



- * There is NO SPEEDING in the parking lot or driveways.
 - * A LEFT turn out of the exit driveway is ILLEGAL. Remember to look for cars and pedestrians.
 - * Parking next to the playground and fence is not allowed!
- Please do NOT leave your children unattended in your car while dropping off students. This is a State Law as well as a preschool rule stated in our parent handbook.



Looking Ahead



No School

Monday, November 12 – Veterans Day



Thanksgiving Feasts 10:30 AM

November 14th: All MWF Students and Mrs. Adam's M-F students

November 15th: All TTH Students and Mrs. Samuel's M-F students

Thanksgiving Week

November 19-23 there will be no school at SOTV. Our teachers have In-Service Monday and Tuesday and will then enjoy the holiday with their families the rest of the week.

Operation Christmas Child

We will be collecting small gift items that fit in a shoe box to send to children all over the world.

May they understand about God's love as we bless them!

C.O.M.E. - Community Outreach Ministry Endeavor

C.O.M.E. – One of the longest-running ministries for First Immanuel Lutheran Church. Located in downtown San Jose, started this outreach during the economic downturn of the 1980's. The ministry has served residents of the surrounding area over the years with counseling, food, and clothing. Since being founded; the ministry has partnered with the nationally-recognized Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara County. C.O.M.E.'s "Clothing Closet" and accompanying food program currently provides substantial comfort and support for over 20,000 participants annually. Shepherd of the Valley Church and Preschool has volunteered man hours as well as regularly taken over car loads of donations to C.O.M.E. We welcome any donations you may have. Please place your items in the green box located in the preschool by room Genesis.

A Pumpkin Prayer

Dear God,
 As I carve my pumpkin, help me say this prayer.
 Open my mind so I can learn about You;
(cut the top off of the pumpkin)
 Take away all my sin and forgive me of the wrong things I do;
(clean out the inside)
 Open my eyes so Your love I will see;
(cut eyes shaped like hearts)
 I'm sorry for turning my nose to all You've given me;
(cut a nose in the shape of the cross)
 Open my ears so Your word I will hear;
(cut ears shaped like the Bible)
 Open my mouth so I can tell others You're near;
(cut a mouth in the shape of a fish)
 Let Your Light shine in all I say and do! Amen
(place a candle inside and light it!)



SNACK MENU - OCTOBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Wheat Bagels w/Cream Cheese & Water	2 Trail Mix & Milk	3 Carrots w/Dip, Wheat Thins & Water	4 Honey Wheat Pretzels, Raisins & Water	5 String Cheese, Pears & Water
8 Popcorn, Peaches & Water	9 Cucumber Rounds with Dip, Ritz Crackers & Water	10 Cheese Slices, Triscuits & Water	11 Yogurt, Bananas & Water	12 Apple Sauce Cinnamon Crackers & Water
15 Nutri-grain Bar, & Milk	16 String Cheese, Apples & Water	17 Teddy Grahams, Celery, Dip & Water	18 Kix Cereal & Milk	19 Yogurt, Bel Vita Crackers & Water
22 Wheat Thins, Raisins & Water	23 Carrots, w/ Hummus, Crackers & Water	24 Multigrain Cheerios, & Milk	25 Fishy Crackers, Apples & Water	26 Rice Cakes, Oranges & Milk
29 Wheat Pasta, Apples & Water	30 Noah's Ark Animal Crackers & Milk (5 day classes Graham Crackers)	31 Noah's Ark Animal Crackers & Milk		