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Christmas is almost here. This is such an exciting time of year! I don't know about you, but we love the Christmas season. It's a wonderful reminder of loving, giving, and serving, which is why Christ came and why we do what we do at Grace.

Christmas Bingo was so much fun! Thank you for helping us to raise money for our preschool! We are grateful for all of your support.

There are a lot of fun activities planned this month so please check folders and read those pesky notes. We are planning to go caroling at Wesley Willows on December 16th. It brings so much joy to others and is so much fun! Stay tuned for details and make plans to join us.

Classroom parties are always so much fun. We love exchanging gifts with our friends. Please purchase a gift of \$5 or less. Girls buy gifts for girls and boys buy gifts for boys. PLEASE ONLY SIGN WHO THE GIFT IS FROM. ☺

What are we learning this month?

There is so much learning and fun this month and it all focuses on Christmas! We are discussing Bible stories leading up to and including the birth of Jesus. We do hope that you experience all the wonder and blessings that Christmas holds for all of us.

Music class is full of fun Christmas carols and exploring musical instruments. During work time, we are wrapping presents (developing fine motor skills,) decorating Christmas trees (expressing creativity), counting ornaments (developing number sense), and participating in lots of fun art projects...just to name a few ☺



Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 9TH
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 4:30

DECEMBER 15TH
CAROLING @ ALPINE
FIRESIDE 9:00 AM

DECEMBER 16TH
3'S SING IN CHURCH 10:30

DECEMBER 20TH/21ST
CLASSROOM CHRISTMAS
PARTIES

**DECEMBER 24TH -
JANUARY 4TH**
NO SCHOOL -
CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY 18TH
NO SCHOOL- SIP

JANUARY 21ST
NO SCHOOL-
HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. KING



Ways to Reduce Holiday Stress:

- 1. Make a to-do list.**
- 2. Avoid too many commitments.**
- 3. Don't wait until the last minute.**
- 4. Make a Christmas budget.**
- 5. Decorate like a minimalist.**
- 6. Don't spend all your time on social media.**
- 7. Get rid of clutter before Christmas.**
- 8. Don't shop at peak times.**
- 9. Ask friends or family for help.**
- 10. Avoid family conflict.**
- 11. Host a potluck.**
- 12. Don't overeat.**
- 13. Stay healthy.**
- 14. Make time for downtime.**
- 15. Remember what the Christmas season is about.**