

# Parent Newsletter

Valley Springs  
Christian  
Preschool

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path."

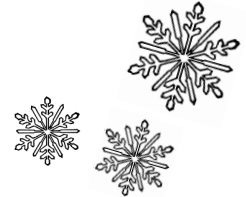
Psalm 119:105

## Preschool Program

January 2024

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope that everyone enjoyed the break. A HUGH THANK YOU for all the wonderful cards and goodies. We are so blessed by your thoughtfulness; you have truly continued to establish Valley Springs Christian Preschool as an excellent school by your outstanding support.

Over the past few days the staff has gathered for planning and organizing our preschool in order to be ready for our next half of the year. We are working hard to keep our facility clean, well-organized and staying up-to-date on the latest information on early childhood education.



## January Curriculum

Our theme for January is "My Bible: God's Special Book". We will be talking about the Bible, how the Bible is true, and how God had different people write the special words in it. We will also talk about how the Bible teaches us about God's love for us, about His special plan for us, and about Jesus. We will read our favorite Bible stories together (and maybe act some of them out!). January is a month filled with weather. We are fortunate to live in a climate where we have many winter days to play outside without much difficulty. Preschool children love to pretend, so we will be pretending to play in the snow a lot this month. We will talk about winter weather and dressing for winter. Our dramatic play area will be set up with a fireplace and clothesline for sorting of mittens and socks. We have a lot of special activities focusing on animals in winter" **Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** is always a favorite: Hibernation Party Day! **Everyone wears their pajamas** to school and brings their favorite teddy bear. It will be an exciting month.

## Winter Reminders!

Be sure your child brings a **warm coat daily**. Unless it is raining, we will be going outside for part of our day. If you packed shorts and short sleeve shirts in your child's emergency clothing bag, please bring a pair of sweats/pants and a long sleeve shirt to add in.

It is **Very Important** that you sign your child in and out daily and that your signature is legible to anyone who might read it. Our sign-in sheet is a legal document of who brought and picked up your child each day. It is *Very Important!* Please check to make sure you have signed in and out each day. Thank you.

## January Activities



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This month we will be learning about snow and ice, dressing for winter and arctic animals and how they survive in the extreme cold. We will also be learning the nursery rhyme, Three Little Kittens as we learn to make patterns. Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> is Chapel Day. We will be learning about the Bible, God's special book. Be sure to wear your Red school shirt that day.



There are a couple of dress up days. Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> is our Penguin Day, so wear black and white that day, as we learn how to walk like a penguin and learn about how they don't fly in the air, but under water.



Then on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> is our big Hibernation Day. This day is always exciting as we wear our PJ's to school and bring our favorite stuff animal. Please have your child wear regular shoes that day to school, as we will still be going outside to play. Also, their special stuff animal does need to be able to fit in their cubby. Detailed information will be sent home as we draw closer to the day.



## For Family Time...

**Bible Words:** "Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119:105

**January Bible Story:** My Bible/God's Special Book (the story of King Josiah). 2 Chronicles 34; and 2 Kings 22:1-23, 25. Read some of your child's, (or your), favorite Bible stories: David and Goliath, Daniel and the Lions Den, The Good Samaritan...there are so many wonderful Bible stories.

**Family Activities** - Plan a family snow trip, maybe with other preschool families you know. Borrow snow clothes, snow boots, and good waterproof mittens and go play in the snow!

## January Birthdays

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Brooklyn

## Community Service

**Our Community Service Project** for the month of January is a Pajama Drive. We will be collecting pajamas and donating them to a local nonprofit organization in Roseville. If you would like to participate, please bring your donation of brand new pajamas (size toddler to age 5) to class. We will have a special basket for collection.



**Dad's Day**  
**Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:30 - 11:00**

This is a great opportunity for your child to bring Dad to school on a Saturday morning. We will have a special snack of coffee, juice and donuts. Dad will experience all the wonderful learning happening in preschool. (Only children enrolled in our preschool may attend)

## Upcoming Dates for Your Calendar

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| Jan. 9  | Welcome Back to School  |
| Feb. 10 | Dad's Day 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.   |
| Feb. 12 | Preschool Registration opens for currently enrolled students/siblings for 2024-2025 |
| Feb. 19 | Registration Opens to the Public for 2024-2025 school year.                         |

