

Parent Newsletter

Valley Springs Christian Preschool

"Give thanks to
the Lord for He
is good."

Psalm 107:1



Preschool Program

November 2022

We have so much to be thankful for! **Our theme for November is "We Are Thankful"**. This month, we will spend time discussing what things we are most thankful for. We will also practice our polite manners, saying "thank you" to others when they are kind to us. This month we will learn fall poems, rhymes, and songs. We will continue to learn book awareness by "reading" during book time and listening to stories. We will continue to learn our nursery rhymes - learning "Hey Diddle Diddle".

We will focus on Harvest Time as we discuss healthy food and where it comes from. In November, we will be hearing a bible story from Exodus. We will learn how God provided for his people in the wilderness with the miracle of "manna." We will continue to learn how God provides for us each and every day and continue to thank Him for all His abundant blessings!

On **Thursday, November 17th**, parents are invited to join us at 11:30 in the classroom where the children will have a **Thankful Singing Performance**. We are so excited to share this special time with the children to celebrate all we have to be thankful for!

When we return from Thanksgiving, we're jumping right into all of our Christmas themes. We are always excited for this special time of year celebrating Jesus's birth!

Opportunities to Give

We have two great opportunities to teach our children to give to those less fortunate than ourselves this month.

The first opportunity is to participate in our Community Service project; **Valley Springs Food Drive**. We will be collecting non-perishable food in the month of November to be distributed to families who may need help in the community. We will be sorting, counting and classifying the food before filling up the Food Pantry.

The second opportunity is to participate in **Operation Christmas Child**. This program is an outreach of Samaritan's Purse. It is a fun and meaningful project in which your whole family can participate. The children fill a shoebox full of toys, school supplies, hygiene items, etc. to send to a child in a war-torn or impoverished country. Look for handouts on the white desk in the classroom. Boxes are due by **Thursday, November 17th**. Each shoebox requires a \$10 donation to cover shipping and handling.





November Activities

- Tues. 11/1 **Harvest/Scarecrows**
(Where our food comes from)
- Thurs. 11/3 **Nursery Rhyme Day**
"Hey Diddle Diddle"
- Tues. 11/8 **Chapel Day**
"God Feeds His People"
(wear your RED school shirt)
- Thurs. 11/10 **Turkey's & Thanksgiving**
- Tues. 11/16 **Native Americans/Pilgrims**
(First Thanksgiving Story)
Music Day
- Thurs. 11/18 **We are Thankful!**
"What am I Thankful for?"
Please join us at 11:30 for singing
in the Classroom
- Nov. 21-25 Thanksgiving Break**
- Tues. 11/29 **Getting Ready for Christmas**
"The Best Thing About Christmas"



November Birthdays

Nov. 26th - Miss Nicole

Thank You!

A huge **thank you** to all of our wonderful parents! **Thank you** for being so careful to make sure your children come to school healthy, and stay home when they are feeling sick. **Thank you** for having your children come to school rested and ready to learn!

Just a reminder . . .

Please be sure to sign your child in each morning when you drop them off and sign them out each afternoon when you pick them up. Our sign-in pages are considered legal documents by California Community Care Licensing, and would be used in an emergency situation.



For Family Time...

November Bible Story: "God Feeds His People" Exodus 16:1-31

Bible Words: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good." Psalm 107:1

Bible Song: (Sung to the tune of "London Bridge is Falling Down")

I will thank God every day, every day, every day.

I will thank God every day.

He's so good! (thumbs up)

Family Activities: Thankfulness is a hard concept for preschoolers to understand. During family prayer time thank God for family, food, home, friends, and the blessings of the day. Practice saying "thank you" for tangible things as well as when others are kind to you. Model thankfulness at home. Start a **Thanksgiving Journal** with your family. Record the blessings God has given to your family this year. Have each family member share something specific that they are thankful for. Keep the journal from year to year. You will have a treasure of family blessings to pass on to your children. Take a **thankful walk**. Thank God for all that you see and hear on your walk. Be aware of teachable moments with your child. Children can teach us a lot about glorifying and praising God.