



# ASA Little Saints



## What's Happening!!!



It is hard to believe that we are half way through November already. Time sure flies when you are having fun. Things in preschool seem to be going great in all of the classrooms. The kids have adjusted well to the routines.

It looked like everyone enjoyed the Halloween celebrations. We have heard a lot of talk about what everyone is going to be next year already.

On November 23rd and 24th, you will be receiving a narrative report from your child's teachers. We are providing this information to let you know what your child has been doing in pre-

school. The preschoolers had input on the first page, and the second page has been filled out by one of the teachers in your child's preschool room. If you have any questions about the report, please contact your child's teacher. We will be having formal one on one conferences in March. However, if you ever have any concerns, just ask your child's teacher. Please know that if we have any concerns about your child, we will contact you as needed. Remember, we have an open door policy and you are welcome in our rooms at anytime.



## Happy Birthday to....

### Our November Birthdays

Tyler Bockheim  
Emerson Douma  
Noelle Hall  
Campbell Hansen  
Henry Martin  
Eva Sarber



## Winter is Coming...

Winter is right around the corner. It is essential that you are sending appropriate outdoor gear as the weather turns colder. We may not go on the playground everyday, but we are waiting outside during our pick up time. It can get pretty chilly in that short amount of time. Please try to label all removable clothing with your child's name or initials. Once children start wearing boots to school, don't forget to send along a pair of shoes. We also encourage mittens instead of gloves. It is much easier for preschoolers to put on mittens. We would suggest you practice putting on the winter gear at home too. The more they can do on their own the more time outside to play.

## Inclement Weather...

If All Saints Academy has a 2 hour delay, preschool will not have the AM sessions. The Extended Preschool room will be open as normal on 2 hour delays at 6:30 AM. The PM session will meet as normal.

If All Saints Academy closes due to snow, preschool will also be closed. Child Care is open, but you must be registered for snow days.

## All Saints Academy

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### Upcoming Dates:

- ☉ No School (Child Care open)—November 25th
- ☉ Happy Thanksgiving—November 26th
- ☉ No School (Child Care closed)—November 27th
- ☉ Pizza Orders Due—Dec. 7th
- ☉ Vision /Hearing Screening—Dec. 9th and 10th
- ☉ Pizza Orders Pick Up—Dec. 15th



## Happy Thanksgiving!

## What are you thankful for?

# HighScope Curriculum

One more component of the HighScope classroom is small group time. Small group time is a teacher initiated learning experience based on children's interest and development. During this time, the class is split into two/three smaller size groups for direct instruction time. Ideally, the group should remain the same group of preschoolers with the same teacher for 2-3 months. After a few months new groups are formed.

Small group lessons introduce children to materials and experiences they might otherwise miss. These experiences build upon the children's strengths and interests. It gives teachers an opportunity to introduce challenging areas that preschoolers may encounter and need additional practice with. This group time provides teachers time to observe and interact daily with the same group of children. It also provides children with regular peer contacts and interactions.

Children do many different types of activities during small group times. They get the opportunity to explore, play, create, solve problems, work with a variety of materials, talk about things, and much, much, more. Ask your preschooler what they did during small group today?



## Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser?

Information about our second Little Caesars Pizza Kit sale went home. Orders are due Dec. 7th or first thing on the 8th. Orders will be ready for pick up on Dec. 15th. Again we are encouraging each family to purchase or sell 2 items. The pizza and breads make a quick meal.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the first sale. We made \$400.00 to help with some of our preschool expenses.

### Below is a fun recipe to use to make your own Christmas ornaments.

- 4 C. all-purpose flour
- 1 C. salt
- 1 1/2 C. water
- A few drops of food coloring (optional)



Mix all ingredients in bowl. Knead 10 minutes. Roll dough 1/4" thick and cut with cookie cutters of various shapes, or mold into shapes. Poke a hole with a pencil in top of shapes. Bake at 250 degrees for 2 hours, or until hard. Cool, paint, varnish, string with yarn, and hang.

## Thank You...

We would like to say thank you to all of the parents who helped out at the Halloween celebrations, to all of the families who donated items for our goody bags, and to everyone who sent in items for the celebrations.

## Christmas Celebrations

The preschool classrooms will be having Birthday parties for Jesus on December 21st and 22nd. More details about these parties will be sent home by your child's classroom teachers as the date approaches.

## Edible Peanut Butter Playdough

- 4 Tb. Peanut Butter
- 4 Tb. Honey
- Powdered Milk

Mix ingredients with hands, adding powdered milk little by little until mixture forms a dough with body that does not stick to fingers. Shape into desired forms, or roll out and cut with cookie cutters. Serves 2-3 children.

## Where is your Preschooler?

If your preschooler is going to be absent due to illness or other circumstances, please call the school office to let us know 364-9453.

