



# PHCP December News



## News from the Director

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! The children are very busy decorating their classrooms and getting ready for their Christmas Program. Look for some of their artwork on the cover of our program. Beth Leeth is working hard with the children, ask them to sing some Christmas songs for you at home or in the car. This is the season of Advent, a time of waiting, a time of giving and loving. The children will be learning about the meaning of Advent. During Advent we prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord Jesus. The circle shape of the wreath represents God's eternal love for us. The first candle is hope. Hope in Christ is what lights the way!

The children will be doing activities with the letters C, J, B and D. They will be playing at Christmas Cookie and Toy Shop Centers. They will also be creating lots of Christmas art using different mediums. You will soon see angels, stars, candy canes, gingerbread men, bells, rectangle reindeer and more decorating the walls. The classes are doing lots of counting, sorting, estimating, graphing and solving simple math questions. Some of the children will be making Christmas tangram pictures and pictures with unifix cubes. Math is a fun hands on activity that can easily be done at home. Children love math at this age. Have them count and sort at home and help you make Christmas cookies.

Our Tiny Tots concert is coming up the first week after vacation. We will be sending home the information this week. It is a wonderful field trip for the whole school. The West Potomac High School Band will perform songs the children are familiar with. They will also bring their flutes, trumpets, trombones and clarinets down from the stage for the children to see. Please return your child's form by Tuesday, December 17th.

Please remember to keep your child home if they are sick. It helps us not spread germs and keeps everyone healthy. Our policy about being sick is in your Parent Handbook. With the winter season approaching please dress your child with warm jackets, gloves and hats. The classes will have recess outdoors whenever possible. May this season of Christmas be filled with lots of love, laughter, joy and new family memories that will last forever!

Merry Christmas!!  
Christine Jenne

## Dates to Remember

- 12/4 Moms Connect
- 12/6 Scholastic book orders due
- 12/12 SPIRIT DAY
- 12/13 SPIRIT DAY
- 12/18 Moms Connect
- 12/20 Christmas Program 11:15am
- 12/23-1/3 Christmas Break
- 1/6 School resumes



## Welcome!

Sophia Ann Papa  
Born 11/14/2019  
Big sister Josie is in  
the Bears class



## Tiny Tots Concert

January 9  
West Potomac High School  
Look for information in your child's mail-box!

# Parent Group News

We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoyed the extra time off with family and friends! November was a busy month! Thank you to all the families that brought in food items to donate to Washington Mill Elementary Schools 'Food for Thought' program and Thank You to Jessica Beatty for orchestrating it and delivering all the donations! Our Holiday Greenery order was delivered last week for both the preschool and online orders. We placed our last wreath on the preschool door for everyone to enjoy! We also welcomed The Great Zucchini in November. He was a huge hit with the children and had them laughing the whole time! We are always looking for fun programs to bring to the school, if you have any suggestions, please let us know!



In December we are looking forward to our Holiday Happy Hour at El Paso on Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm. Please RSVP to the evite! There will be appetizers, drink tokens and a fun raffle for a New Years Eve Party Basket! We will not have a meeting in December so we don't tie up your precious few hours in the morning. We will be back in January though with a fun family Bingo Night so stayed tuned for more details.

Happy Holidays from the Parent Group!!

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## Moms Connect

Come join us Wednesdays, December 4th and 18th as we complete our study of "Becoming More." Come be refreshed during this special time set apart for moms of young children to fellowship and study God's word! Free childcare, coffee & prayer.

New Study Beginning in January!

Beginning in January we will continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. Please join us and invite your friends. Moms Connect is open to all moms!

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