

# 4 Year Old Pre-K / AM Class

Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> - Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

## Winter Sleepers

The cold weather is surely arriving! This week in Pre-K4, we will begin a unit on animals that are getting ready to hibernate. We will discuss some animals that sleep all winter. Squirrels are gathering a lot of nuts, fox gets a thicker coat of fur, goose flies away with its flock to a warmer climate, and bear is getting ready to sleep in his den. Clifford will help us learn that in fall, bears eat as much as they can, and then get very sleepy. The students will be sorting animals that are winter sleepers, from the animals that brave the cold weather.

The children have been doing a really great job writing the letter of the alphabet. This week the children will be writing the letter J/j. The students are also reviewing the letters a-d, as well as working on recognizing the beginning sounds.

I hope that you had a very blessed Thanksgiving break with your family. On Wednesday, we will be practicing in church for our Christmas Program. The children sure have done an excellent job learning the songs and actions to praise God for sending Jesus to be born to be our Savior. We are excited to share the great news with our family and friends for the next two Wednesday's. **Please have your child arrive no later than 6:10, at St. John's Church, for the program.** Children with last names which begin with **A-K** will participate in the program **Wednesday, December 6th**. **Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**, the children with last names which begin with **L-Z** will participate. We will meet in the gathering space at the entrance to the church.

## Happily Ever After

Before Thanksgiving Break, we began our literacy unit on the story, The Elves and The Shoemaker. During this unit, the students will be concentrating on parts of a whole, top, middle, and bottom. They will recognize that words are made up of letters, distinguish between word lengths, as well as recognize if pair of words are the same or different. We will also continue playing fun games to learn more words that rhyme.

## Alphabet - Show and Tell

**Letter J/j – Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

## Devotions

Throughout the month of December, we will be discussing the true meaning of Christmas. God gave Mary the Good News message that soon Jesus, the Savior, would be born. That Good News message is for us too: God sent Jesus to be our Savior. We received the most important gift on that very first Christmas. We will be working hard on a special project to give, but it's a secret. Giving a special gift to someone we love really makes us feel good in our heart.

## A Look Ahead!!

**Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** –Christmas Program (Last Names A-K) @ 6:30 – St. John's Church

**Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Program (Last Names L-Z) @ 6:30 – St. John's Church

**Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> – K4 – AM**

**Christmas Party** – A sign-up sheet will be posted at the entrance to the classroom the beginning of December.

**Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK**

**Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> – School Resumes for Pre-K4 AM**

**Blessings on your day!**  
**Mrs. Steger**

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