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# CHERUB CHATTER

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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*“For unto us a child is born” Isaiah 9:6*

### Lessons for the month

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#### Shapes and Letters

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- November 27 - December 1 Cc, Square and Rectangle
  - December 4-8 Oo and Triangle
  - December 11-15 Uu, Heart and Star
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#### Focus

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- Senses
- Giving and Receiving



Merry Christmas! What a wonderful time of year! It seems to come earlier and earlier each year, the kids have been singing Christmas songs for weeks now. We love the sweet little voices.

We will spend a lot of time this month practicing for our Christmas Program. We will also be making a lot of festive decorations and a few surprises as well. We will be talking about Santa of course, and all of the items on our wish list! We will also stress the main reason for the season, that Christmas is Jesus' birthday and he is the best gift we have ever received.

We will spend as much time as possible thinking of others, practicing giving, and being thankful for what we receive. If we aren't careful Christmas can become a season of excess and one where the focus is on ourselves and what we want. It is a challenge to keep things in perspective and we will do our best to make giving the focus. We challenge you to do the same. Certainly you and your family want to give to your child, but teaching them to be grateful and to give in return can be powerful lessons. Look for unusual people to recognize, such as neighbors, the store clerk, the mailman. A tray of cookies can really mean a lot to someone not expecting it. The more the children can be involved in the process they more they will learn from it.

We wish you a wonderful holiday season! Be safe and enjoy your family and friends. We will see you back on January 3! *Joy Morgan*

## IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE:

- Nov 30 and Dec 1 - Polar Express Days! No snack needed for the day. Please send in a Christmas Item for Student Showcase!
- Dec 1 - Dinner and a Movie Fundraiser! Dec 7 & 8 - Birthday Snacks
- Dec 18 & 19 - Christmas Program at Cherub, 9:15. NO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY FOR RED RACE CARS!
- Dec 20-Jan 2- Christmas Holiday
- Every Monday and Tuesday is Library Checkout
- Stay and play will be available Nov 28 & 29, Dec 5 & 6, 12 & 13. This is a great way to get some shopping and wrapping done!

# SPECIAL EVENTS:

## Polar Express Days and Movie Night

Thursday and Friday, Nov 30 and Dec 1 will be Polar Express Days at school and will finish up with movie night on Friday! We will be donating all proceeds from this event to the Cobert Family to assist with medical costs for their oldest child. We really appreciate your help!! If you preordered a meal from Outback Steakhouse you can pick it up on Friday evening between 5-6. If you are staying for the movie you can eat here, or take it to go. The Polar Express Movie will begin at 6:30. You will want to bring something comfortable to sit on; blankets, chairs, bean bags. And if you would like you can wear your pajamas!

## Student Book Exchange

For Christmas our students will be exchanging books as their gifts to one another. The exchange will be before our programs on Dec 18 and 19. Please send in a NEW book that would be good for a boy or a girl. You can wrap it and put a tag with who the gift is from, but leave the "to" area blank.

## Christmas Program

Our Christmas Program is scheduled for December 18 for our Mon/Wed/Fri group including Red Racecars, and on December 19 for our Tues/Thurs children. The children will be singing in the church and then coming into the Parish Hall for cookies with Santa. You will bring your children at their normal time. You can then park and go find your seat in the church. Holiday dress is appropriate for this special day. Seating may be tight so please squeeze in. We ask that you not save seats, it is first come first serve. The balcony is a nice area to view and take pictures. If you plan to video and want to stand, the outside edges of the pews would be best so as not to block anyone else's view. We will

most likely finish our day between 10:30-11.

## Santa Letters

Early in December the children will have the opportunity to write a letter to Santa. We will place them in the Cherub mailbox and Santa will write back. You will see some of their wish list items included in their letter!

