

St. Andrew's Newsletter

November 2018

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What's Happening @ St. Andrew's...

The children are learning to share and play with their friends. During this month, they will be busy learning and exploring the following concepts:

- Friendship and Sharing Emotions
- Pilgrims, Native Americans, and Turkeys
- Thanksgiving- "I am glad for...thank you God"
- Our Home-Thankful for how we work, play, and pray together
- Food/Nutrition



Dear Parents,

As we approach the Thanksgiving season, we are thankful for all the blessings received this year. The staff at St. Andrew's Nursery School is happy and thankful to be part of your children's preschool

years. It is a blessing spending time with them every day as we observe how they explore the world around them while meeting new challenges and goals.

We are very thankful for the support and cooperation that we receive from all our families. We are also thankful to everyone from the Church Staff, Church Council, Nursery School Board and School Staff, whose contributions and support make St. Andrew's Nursery School a very special program.

On behalf of everyone at St. Andrew's Nursery School, I wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving with family and friends!

*Best regards,
Astrid M. Montes, Director*



Happy Birthday Wishes to...

November

2	Jamison Southard-PP
6	Rose LaManna-4A
14	Julianna Leddy-4B
16	Pravyshaa Pradheek- Pre 3
	Avani Munavalli-PP
	Nidhi Munavaralli- PP
18	J. T. Neilson-4A
20	Kara Miller-4B
25	David MacManiman- Pre 3
26	Aanya Gandhi-PP
27	Julian Radcliffe-Pre 3
29	Angelina Martinelli-4B

THANK YOU TO...



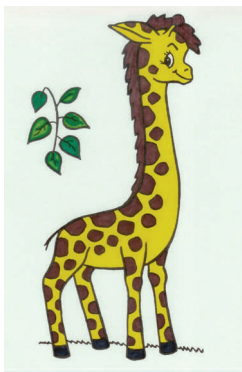
- All who supported our Fall Fundraiser!
- All Classroom Helpers who gave their time and support for the Fall Nature Walk, Harvest Fun Day, Pumpkin Day, and the Halloween Parties
- All who donated items and/or baskets for the Vera Bradley Bingo.



Time Change...

Just a friendly reminder to change your clock one hour back before you go to bed on Saturday, November 3. Daylight

Saving Time ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 4.



Class Notes:

Coming Events:

Nov. 1 & 2: Photographer

Nov. 2: Spanish Adventure-4A, 4B & PP

Nov. 4: Daylight Saving Time ends

Nov. 5: Soccer Shots

Nov.5-Nov. 9: PP Visitation Week

Nov. 7: Vision Screening- 3C, 4A, & 4B

Nov. 8: Vision Screening- 3A, 3B, & PP

Nov. 8 & 9: Anti-Bullying Lessons

Nov.9: Spanish Adventure-4A, 4B & PP

Nov. 9: Family Fun Night-PP

Nov. 12: Parent Conferences- 4's & PP-No School for 4's & PP

Nov. 14: Literature-4A, 4B, & PP

Nov. 16: Adopt-a-Spot ends
-Spanish Adventure-4A, 4B, & PP

Nov. 19 & 20: Thanksgiving Parties

Nov. 21-23: Thanksgiving Vacation-School Closed

Nov. 26 & 27: Used/New Toy Collection begins
- Mitten Collection begins



Pre-3 Mrs. Lutz/Mrs. McKenna

- ◆ Themes for November are Harvest and Thanksgiving.
- ◆ Our class party for Thanksgiving is November 20. Parent helper is Hoepfl.
- ◆ As the weather gets colder, please remember to label all of your child's removable clothing (coats, gloves, and hats) with their name.

3-A Mrs. Sedlak/ Mrs. Cadden

- ◆ Please remember to put your child's snack in a gallon-size ziploc bag with his/her name on it. Also, label any containers and water bottles.
- ◆ On Tuesdays and Thursdays, please remember to put your child's snack in the wagon in the lobby. On Wednesdays, they can just keep it in their bag.
- ◆ We will be making placemats for our Thanksgiving Feast. I am asking for each child to bring in about 4-5 photographs or magazine cutouts of things for which they are thankful by November 8th.

Mrs. Fitzgerald /Mrs. Gambone

- ◆ We are working on name recognition through our helper chart and attendance board.
- ◆ We are also enjoying nursery rhymes and fingerplays. It's a meaningful and fun activity to do at home as a family, too.
- ◆ As the weather gets colder and we start wearing jackets, it would be helpful if parents could help children practice putting on coats by themselves. Please label your child's outerwear with his/her name.

3C Mrs. Lynch/ Mrs. Neider

- ◆ Our themes for November are harvest and Thanksgiving
- ◆ The letters of the month are H, I & J
- ◆ We will make placemats for our Thanksgiving celebration- please send in 3 pictures of people your child is thankful for.

4A Mrs. Brady/Mrs. Rothwein

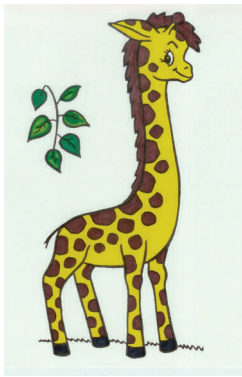
- ◆ At circle time, we are learning the names of our classmates and positional words by completing the sentence, "I am sitting next to _____."
- ◆ Please help your child practice putting on his/her coat.
- ◆ Why color? To practice the following: attention to task, crayon grip, posture, strength, endurance, and use of the "helping hand".

4B Mrs. Fitzgerald Mrs. Gambone

- ◆ The children are gobbling up books through read-alouds and independent reading after snack. Ask your child about a favorite story.
- ◆ We are practicing our names and proper pencil grasp. First letter capital, followed by lower-case. Ask your child to show you how to "pinch and flip" his/her pencil.
- ◆ As the weather gets colder and we start wearing jackets, it would be helpful if parents could help children practice putting on coats by themselves. Please label your child's outerwear with his/her name.

Preschool Plus Mrs. DuPlessis/ Mrs. Sobocinski

- ◆ We are looking forward to a month full of joy and blessings this November!
- ◆ Visitation Week is from 11/5-11/9. Look for a sign-up sheet in the school foyer at the beginning of November.
- ◆ Please practice your street address and primary phone number with your child for Fire Safety.
- ◆ Preschool Plus Family Fun Night will be held on 11/9. We provide the pizza and the games! We hope everyone can make it for this special evening event!
- ◆ Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for 11/12. (No School for students) Please look in the Foyer for a sign-up sheet for times. Adults only, please.
- ◆ Our Thanksgiving Friendship Feast will be 11/20. We are truly thankful for all of our wonderful PP students and families.



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School Closing Information...

In case of school closing you may choose to be notified by the following:



Cancellations.com: St. Andrew's school closings and emergency announcements can be found by logging on to: www.cancellations.com. Locate "Check Cancellation", and then type 19403 into the zip code box. **St. Andrew's Nursery School** will appear as one of the selections.

Double click for additional information. This site also offers an e-mail notification service. Postings can be sent to you automatically via e-mail. To sign-up, go to www.cancellations.com and click on "Join for Free" under the e-mail notification section.



NBC 10.com: You can be notified when school closes either by text or email. Visit the **NBC 10** website at www.nbc10.com and click on **WEATHER**. From there, click on the **SCHOOL CLOSING ALERTS** link and look for the **SUBSCRIBE TO MOBILE ALERTS** to sign up.



You may also check the school website for school closings due to inclement weather or any other kind of emergency at www.standrewsnurseryschool.com



Young children learning to write benefit from experiences that support the development of fine motor skills in the hands and fingers. Here are some fun activities children can do at home to develop these important skills:

- Mold and roll Play-Doh into balls-using the palms of the hands facing each other and with fingers curled slightly towards the palm.
- Cut Play-Doh with a plastic knife or with a pizza or tracing wheel by holding the implement in a diagonal grasp.
- Tear newspaper into strips and then crumble into balls. Use the balls of paper as stuffing for scarecrows, puppets or other art projects.

From www.therakids.org/media/pdf/FineMotorActivitiesForHome.pdf

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church News...



Special Offer.....

Bring this coupon with you and St. Andrew's Nursery School Students will receive a **FREE Breakfast.**

SATURDAY, NOV. 3TH

7:00AM - 11:00AM

IN ST. ANDREW'S HALL

Adults (12 & older): \$6.00

65 & older \$5.00

Children (5-11) \$3.00

Preschooler's (2-4) - \$1

Toddler's (under 2) - Free

Proceeds benefit Bear Creek Camper Program/

Tickets available at the door

Special Events...



Picture Day: Nov. 1 and 2– Photographers from ShowStoppers will be at St. Andrew's to take the children's individual and class pictures. Additional information and order forms have been sent home.



Vision Screening: Montgomery County Association for the Blind will be offering their free services of optional vision screening for the children. They will be testing the **4A, 4B, & 3C** classes on **Nov. 7** and **3A, 3B, and Preschool Plus** classes on **Nov. 8**. Please be sure to check the information that has been sent home, and return the completed permission form to school if you wish to have your child's vision tested.



New & Used Toy Collection: The St. Andrew's Used Toy Collection runs from **Nov. 26** through **Dec. 7**. We would prefer that the toy NOT be wrapped. This is a combined activity between St. Andrew's Church and St. Andrew's Nursery School. Toys will be delivered to Grace Lutheran Church in West Philadelphia, who in turn set up an area for parents to come and choose toys for their children. Let us know if you need more information.



Mittens/Gloves & Hats Collection: Nov. 26 through Dec. 12- St. Andrew's Nursery School will join efforts with the Mitzvah Circle Foundation organization to provide less fortunate children in Montgomery and Chester counties with new mittens, gloves and hats. Please donate new mittens, gloves or hats to help the children in the area stay warm in the winter months. We will decorate our Christmas tree in the school foyer with the donated items. More information will be sent home in the next few weeks. Thank you for your support!



Important Reminder:

As the weather changes, make sure that your child has the appropriate attire for being outside, including gloves/mittens. Please label all outerwear.



For your information...



♦ **Absences:** When your child is going to be absent, kindly notify his/her Teacher or Teacher Aide by calling the **Absentee Line (610-666-0426)**, 10– 15 minutes prior to class time. During class, please call the school office **(610-666-6153)** with any questions or concerns.



♦ **Late Arrival Policy:** Anyone who enters the building, other than at the scheduled beginning and ending time for a session, must sign in at the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.

♦ **Clothing Identification:** Thank you for marking your child's removable clothing with his/her name. Please continue to mark clothing such as snowsuits, parkas, sweaters, gloves/mittens, hats and boots. If you do not have name labels, we suggest using masking tape marked with permanent ink.



♦ **St. Andrew's Church:** For those who have expressed an interest in attending church services at St. Andrew's, please note that you are welcome to visit at any time. On our Community Bulletin Board outside the School Office you will find a brochure listing information about Sunday Church and Sunday Church School times. If additional information is desired, call the Church Office **(610-666-6577)** and ask Lynette Becattini, Church Secretary.



Show support for our school...



♦ **On-Line Shopping Opportunities: Goodshop.com** – Over 5,000 merchants (such as Target, Disney, Wal-Mart, Lands End, Dell, Bose, etc.) will donate up to 20% of your total purchase to the school for on-line purchases, if you register with them. Go to **Goodshop.com** and register under St. Andrew's Nursery School, Eagleville, PA. That's all there is to it, and it's absolutely free! Download the free app and shop as you usually would, St. Andrew's will receive a percentage and you will receive some really good deals.



♦ **Printer Cartridge:** You may deposit printer cartridges in the recycling bin located in the School Foyer. They are taken to Staples for their reward program, which gives us a discount on our office supplies. We welcome all cartridges from you, your family, your friends, and your workplace!

♦ **Buy Recycled:** Please visit www.planetgreenrecycle.com/standrewsnursery and click **shop products** to purchase recycled inkjets, toners, and other items, and 15% comes back to support our school.



♦ **Zwahlen Bucks:** When you purchase a **specialty apple** or an "**Avalanche**", mention St. Andrew's Nursery School and ask for a **Zwahlen Buck**. Just drop it in the container in the school foyer to later be redeemed for cash. A delicious way to help St. Andrew's Nursery School!



♦ **Plaza Flowers Community Assistance Program:** Each time you shop at Plaza Flowers and order an arrangement worth at least \$34, St. Andrew's will receive a percentage of your purchase! Just mention the school's referral code, **AMO**, at the time of purchase. Plaza flowers is located at 417 Egypt Rd., Audubon, PA, 610-630-8825.



♦ **A+ Rewards Program:** If you have a Giant Bonus Card you can help St. Andrew's earn cash just by swiping your card when you shop. You do not have to re-register if you helped us last year by participating in this program. Program starts on Sept. 7, 2018 and runs through Mar. 16, 2019. More information available in the school office.

Safety Concerns...



♦ Sneakers or regular rubber-soled tie shoes are the safest for children to wear when playing, both in the classroom and on the playground. Please, no **flip-flops** or "**Crocks**." We would appreciate your understanding and cooperation.



♦ Please turn your cell phone **ON** immediately after you drop your child off at school. There may come a time when we need to contact you when you are not home. Thank you !



♦ Please supervise your children outside before and after class, in the parking lot and also in the grass. With the windows sometimes open there is a serious threat of injury to children running near them.

♦ Please do not leave your child alone in a car, even for a few minutes. If you cannot take your baby or toddler out of the car in order to come in at dismissal time, then perhaps another parent would be kind enough to bring your preschooler out to you. Just let us know in the office if that is the case. Let's do all we can to keep EVERY child safe.

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Photographer	2 Spanish-4A, 4B, & PP	3
4	5 Soccer Shots / Lunchkins P. Plus Visitation week	6	7 Vision Screening	8 Anti-Bullying Lessons	9 Family Fun Night-PP	10
11	12 Parent Conferences 4's and P. Plus-& PP	13	14 Literature-- 4A, 4B, & PP	15 Class notes due	16 Spanish-4A, 4B, & PP Adopt-a-Spot ends	17
18	19 Thanksgiving Parties	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 -Used Toy Collection begins -Mittens/Gloves & Hats Collection begins	27	28	29	30 Spanish-4A, 4B, & PP	