



St. Aidan's Episcopal Church Preschool & Mother's Morning Out

December Newsletter

UPCOMING DATES

- 12/4 Preschool Gym
- 12/5 Parent's Night Out
- 12/11 P.O.P.S. Meeting @ 9:15
Preschool Gym
- 12/16 Classroom Christmas
Parties
- 12/17 Christmas Program
- 12/18 Polar Express/PJ Day
Last day of the semes-



Thanks

I wanted to thank everyone who contributed to our wonderful Thanksgiving Feast. The food was absolutely delicious, the costumes adorable, and the memories unforgettable! If you are missing dishes, see me as we had a few items unclaimed.

Thanks too on your generous support of our food drive. North Fulton Charities was very appreciative of your kind donations! We are so blessed here to have amazing parents that support us in so many ways! Thanks!

From the Director's Desk..

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a relaxing Thanksgiving break and enjoyed time with your family and friends. We are so excited to move into this month as we turn all our attention to the holidays. We feel it is so important to teach our students the true meaning of the Christmas season. Of course, you may see a reindeer or Santa craft come home too, because, well, it's fun and the kids are excited about that! But rest assured, they are learning about Christ's birth through chapel, music, curriculum and crafts.

We have much planned for this short month including a Polar Express Pajama Day, Classroom Christmas Parties and of course, our School-wide Christmas Program you won't want to miss!

Wishing you and yours a blessed and Merry Christmas!
Jill



SCOTTISH RITE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL HOLIDAY DRIVE

This month our P.O.P.S. group is organizing a toy and supply drive for Scottish Rite Children's Hospital. Please review the attached letter detailing this program to see where you can help. All donations will need to be brought to the school by 12/18. Let your child experience the joy of giving this holiday season, by letting them select an item of their wish list. It will make another child's holiday brighter!

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, 12/5 6-9P.M.

Our 1st Parent's Night Out is scheduled for this Friday, 12/5 from 6-9p.m. Fliers went home before Thanksgiving, but if you need an additional one please let me know. You must sign up in advance to participate. We need to have a minimum of 10 children signed up by Thursday in order for this to happen. We will be serving pizza, playing games and watching a movie.

Parent's Pick The Gift Author Unknown

We often learn most from our children. Sometime ago, a friend of mine punished his 3 year old daughter for wasting a roll of gold wrapping paper. Money was tight, and he became infuriated when the child tried to decorate a box to put under the tree. Nevertheless the little girl brought the gift to her father the next morning and said, "This is for you Daddy," He was embarrassed by his earlier over reaction, but his anger flared again when he found that the box was empty. He yelled at her, "Don't you know that when you give someone a present, there's suppose to be something inside of it?" The little girl looked up at him with tears in her eyes, "Oh, Daddy, It's not empty, I blew kisses into the box, all for you, Daddy." The father was so crushed. He put his arms around his little girl, and begged for her forgiveness. My friend told me he kept that box by his bed for years. Whenever discouraged, he would take out an imaginary KISS and remember the love of the CHILD who had put it there.

A Christmas Celebration

Wednesday, December 17

6:30PM

Burtenshaw Hall



Our 2008 St. Aidan's Christmas Concert is almost here. Your children have been working very hard at learning music and movements to a lot of Christmas songs! Father Rob will be making a special appearance to tell the Christmas story. Refreshments will follow. In addition to the performance, the preschool will also be holding a silent auction of classroom work of art. These precious items were made by your children... but there's only 1 per class. This silent bidding is a fun way to raise money for the preschool, and possibly leave with a keepsake you'll treasure for years to come.



Christmas Costume Suggestions

Please remember to keep it simple!



Angels—All Girls

- Use a white pillowcase with neck and armholes cut out
- Use a cord or rope to gather the waist
- Wear a white nightgown or dress and white stockings
- We will provide all halos and wings

Shepherds—All Boys

- Use a tan pillowcase, or large towel with neck and armholes cut out; or a bathrobe
- Use a cord or rope to tie at the waist
- Use a towel, leftover fabric or a scarf tied with rope or cord around the head
- Sandals for shoes

Schedule for the Evening

6:00PM	Doors Open Children Report to Classrooms Auction Bidding Begins Christmas Shop Open
6:30PM	Concert Begins Auction Closes
7:15PM	Concert Concludes Refreshments Bidding Reopens
7:30PM	Auction Concludes Winners Announced

JUST FOR LAUGHS

It was the day after Christmas at a church in San Francisco. The pastor of the church was looking over the cradle when he noticed that the baby Jesus was missing from among the figures of the nativity set. Immediately he turned and went outside and saw a little boy with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus. So he walked up to the boy and said, "Well, where did you get Him, my fine friend?"

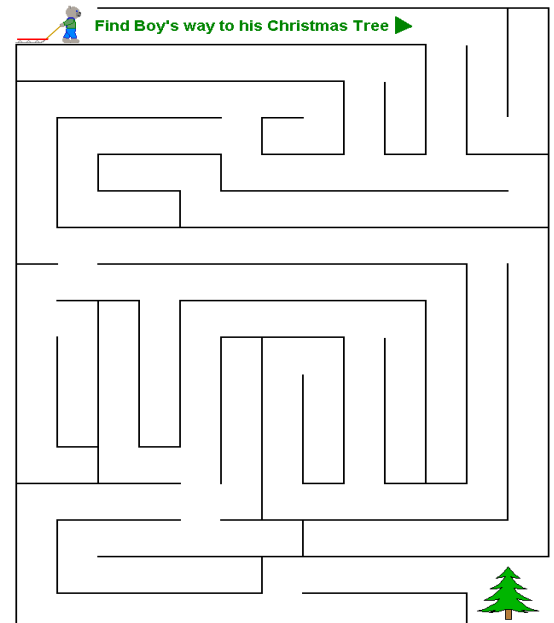
The little boy replied, "I got him from the church."

"And why did you take him?"

The boy said, "Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to the little Lord Jesus and I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas I would give him a ride around the block in it."



Kid's Corner



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