



# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



2018

## CUMC Preschool

### Polar Express Night

Once again, this year we will hold our sixth annual Polar Express Night on Tuesday, December 18th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. for our holiday celebration. We are very excited to provide the children with a little bit of the experience and magic of the Polar Express story. Staff will be dressed as characters from the movie and the church will be all decked out with a little touch of the North Pole. We encourage all children (and adults) to get in the spirit of the movie and come in your P.J.'s for this special event.

Invitations will be in cubbies and the sign-up sheet will be up soon. **You must sign up in advance to attend for our planning purposes. All *immediate* family members are welcome** We can't wait for you to join us for this special night.

### Outside Snow Play

Now that the season of snow is upon us we wanted to let you know how we will handle outside play. We will continue to go out every day that we can, so children should always come to school dressed for outside weather. You do not need to send in snow gear as we will only go out if our operations manager can get the playground cleared off.

**Please make sure your child is dressed warm enough for the weather. They should have hats, mittens (no gloves please) and winter coats every day.**

### North Pole Activities

Narthex - Mrs. Claus has been working hard making treats for our Polar express party. Enjoy a warm cup of cocoa from the hot chocolate bar and have a tasty treat straight from her kitchen!

Sanctuary - The night wouldn't be complete without the inspiration for the party. The sanctuary will become our own private movie theatre to enjoy a few quiet minutes of the movie. Don't stay long, there are too many other fun things to do!

Great Hall - The elves have been busy and have planned several fun, simple crafts for you to work on and take home. Come and channel your inner elf while making some Christmas inspired crafts.

Upstairs near kitchen - Here is your chance to meet Santa in person, tell him what you want for Christmas and take a photo. Santa can't wait to hear if you have been naughty or nice and to take a picture with you. He also has a gift for you when you leave!



## Important Dates

- December 3rd - Family Involvement
- December 4th - Scholastic
- December 12<sup>th</sup> - Wear green day
- December 13<sup>th</sup> - Lending Library
- December 18<sup>th</sup> - Polar Express
- December 22<sup>nd</sup> - \*Gingerbread houses
- Dec 24<sup>th</sup> - Jan 1st Closed for break

\*More information to follow at later date

## Inclement Weather Policy

Everyone received a copy of our weather policy in their handbook, however we thought it would be a good idea to give a reminder since it is that time of year. Please remember that we participate in the close watch system on all networks, so you can watch the TV or check the webpage of local channels for verification of closure.

In the event of inclement weather, hazardous road conditions, CUMC Preschool will follow the Rockford School System closing policies. This means if Rockford is closed then the Preschool will be closed. If the school district closes for cold weather, without hazardous road conditions the Preschool will remain open. In addition, families will be given one-day tuition credit per occurrence up to a maximum of two days per school year if we close due to inclement weather. If the Preschool closes more than two days, families will be charged standard tuition rates.

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3) Mostaccioli w/meat sauce, garlic bread, corn, mandarin oranges, milk	4) Ham & Cheese sandwich, broccoli, chips, pears, milk	5) Salisbury steak, B&B, mixed veggies, pineapple, milk	6) Creamed Chicken w/biscuits, peas, fruit cocktail, milk	7) Hamburger on bun, cooked carrots, peaches, milk
10) Sausage Pizza, green beans, mandarin oranges, pretzels, milk	11) Lasagna rolls, garlic bread, corn, tropical fruit, milk	12) Turkey & Cheese sandwich, carrots, chips, pears, milk	13) Scrambled Egg patty, biscuit, sausage links, applesauce, milk	14) Tomato soup, ½ grilled cheese sandwich, mixed veggies, peaches, milk
17) Fish filet on bun, peas, fruit cocktail, milk	18) Chicken nuggets, B&B, cauliflower, pineapple, milk	19) Tortellini w/ meatballs, garlic bread, corn, mandarin oranges, milk	20) Bologna sandwich, cheese puffs, broccoli, apple slices, milk	21) Riblets, B&B, green beans, tropical fruit, milk
24) Closed	25) Closed	26) Closed	27) Closed	28) Closed
31) Closed	1) Closed	2) Pancakes, smoked sausage, applesauce, milk	3) Cheese pizza, mixed veggies, pears, chips, milk	4) Mac & Cheese, peas, fruit cocktail, B&B, milk