

# St. Saviour's Christian Preschool News



December 2009

*They spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child... Luke 2:17*



## Message from the Preschool

*The Staff and Board of St. Saviour's Christian Preschool would like to take this opportunity to wish all our children and families a very Merry Christmas! God blesses this preschool in so many ways everyday, especially with the wonderful children and families He sends through our door, year after year.*

## Themes for December

- ✓ The Miracle of Christmas
- ✓ The Spirit of Christmas
- ✓ Our Saviour and King

Our focus for all of December is the joy and miracle of Christmas and the birth of our Saviour and King, Jesus Christ!

## Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child was very successful. Because of the generosity of so many of our Preschool families, 25 needy children will have a special gift to open on Christmas Day. We ask that all families continue to pray for children all around the world who are not as blessed as we are here in Canada.

Thank you to Elaine for coordinating the event and allowing us to participate reminding us of Jesus' words, "when you do for the least of these my brothers and sisters, you do it for me". (Matthew 24:40)

## Fees

Some parents have expressed concern regarding paying a full month of school fees when the month is shortened such as the two week closure at Christmas. Please consider that the annual preschool program is pro-rated as a monthly fee. The fixed costs of the Preschool continue throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to speak to the teachers.

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### Parent Rep

Tara Chan (Isaiah's mom) has kindly volunteered to be the Parent Rep for the preschool. If you would prefer to relay questions or concerns to the Staff or Board of St. Saviours through her, please feel free to contact her at: tara@aratoh.com

## Important Dates

- ◆ December 18<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Concert/Potluck Luncheon
- ◆ December 21, 2009 to January 3, 2010 - School Closure for Christmas Break
- ◆ January 4, 2009 - School Re-Opens



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#### Ongoing Reminders:

- If you have any empty ice cream buckets, the Preschool has many uses for them.
- The Preschool will continue to take refundable containers such as juice, pop, etc.
- Please slow down in the parking lot in order to ensure safety for the children and the senior residents of Covenant Court.
- Licensing requires that each child be signed in and out by the parents/guardian each day. The sign in sheet will be posted by the door of the cubby room.



## Christmas Concert/Potluck Luncheon

Our annual Christmas Concert and Potluck Luncheon will take place on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Parents, siblings and other family members are welcome to attend.

Please note that we will again be inviting the seniors from Covenant Court for the concert and potluck luncheon so please keep that in mind as you plan quantities for your potluck contribution and be as generous as you are every year.

A sign up sheet for food will be in the cubby room starting the first week of December.

## Concert Schedule

10:00 am	Children Arrive Opening Prayer Playtime Craft time
11:00 am	Concert in Church Sanctuary
11:20 am	Wash-up and luncheon
12:00 pm	Dismissal

## Withdrawal

If you wish to withdraw your child from our preschool, we do require one month's notice. Also, if you are planning an extended vacation, you need to pay your fees to reserve your child's spot at the preschool. Also, if you plan an extended holiday, your fees must be paid to guarantee your child's space upon return.

## Sock Monkeys ( Note from Lorraine)

When I was a child, I had a "sock monkey" made by one of my favourite aunties. I loved that little monkey. He went everywhere with me for many years, and when I would throw and twirl him through the air, I thought he could touch the moon! Well, that favourite auntie went to be with Jesus many years ago, but she passed on to me the "secret" of how to make these lovable friends out of 2 socks. I have been sewing them for children of friends and relatives ever since. When they appear as gifts at events, I am often asked to make more to sell.

As a fundraiser for the preschool, I will be selling these monkeys for \$20.00. 10% of all sales will go directly to the preschool. If you are interested, please let me know.

## Health

To help cut down on sickness, please remember to help your child wash their hands before they start class. Also, if your child is unwell, please remain at home until they are fully recovered. The preschool is doing our best to keep everyone healthy. Let's work together to get through this cold and flu season!