

Miss. Susie's Classroom



DECEMBER



Merry Christmas

This year has flown by. I can't believe it is already December. I pray that in the hustle and bustle of the holidays, you may find special time with your family to enjoy and celebrate the holiness of the season. May you have a blessed Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

What we are Learning

We will spend the week of Dec. 2nd talking about Advent. Our class will be talking about the Advent season as a time of waiting for Jesus to come into the world. We will be making Advent wreaths, nativity scenes, and will read Advent stories together. The following two weeks are also filled with Christmas fun. We will make Christmas cards, do a candy cane science experiment, make jingle bell necklaces, and play several fun games together.

Important Info

- Last day of preschool before break will be on Friday the 20th
- The Center will be closed from December 21st-January 1st
- Preschool will resume Monday January 6th

Christmas Party

Our Christmas parties will be on Thursday December 19th and on Friday December 20th.

More information to follow regarding cookies and juice sign up for the party.

Week of: December 2nd-6th

Teacher: Miss. Susie

Study: Advent

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Library books about Advent	Dramatic Play: make a birthday cake for Jesus with play-doh	Christmas Nativity Set	Christmas Nativity Set	Art: Make Christmas cards for grandparents
Large Group	Hey Mary! Song Discussion and Shared Writing: If Jesus appeared in your house today, what would you say to him?	Poem: Advent is a Time to Wait Discussion: What does Advent mean? Understanding the advent wreath	The Advent Song for Kids Discussion and Shared Writing: How can we practice good deeds and generosity during advent?	The Advent Song for Kids Discussion and Shared Writing: Where would you go to look for baby Jesus if the angels told you to go to Bethlehem to find him?	Poem: Advent is a Time to Wait Discussion and Shared Writing: What gift would you give baby Jesus?
Read-Aloud	<i>God Gave Us Christmas</i>	<i>Little Golden Book The Christmas Story</i>	<i>The Lights in the Church</i>	<i>They Followed the Star</i>	<i>A Birthday Party for Jesus</i>
Small Group	Baby Jesus In A Manger	Advent Wreath Handprint Craft	Advent Wreath Handprint Craft	Nativity Number Sequence Puzzle	Nativity Pattern Block Mats

Week of: December 9th-13th

Teacher: Miss.Susie

Study: Christmas

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Make Christmas Cards for parents and siblings	Make Christmas Cards for parents and siblings	Christmas Nativity Set	Christmas Nativity Set	Nativity Pattern Block Mats
Large Group	<p>Discussion: What is Christmas?</p> <p>Song: Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree</p>	<p>Song: Santa Claus is coming to town</p> <p>Discussion and Shared Writing: What does Christmas mean to you?</p>	<p>Song: Silent Night</p> <p>Discussion and Shared Writing: One thing you are most grateful for this holiday season.</p>	<p>Graphing: Favorite Christmas Cookie</p> <p>Discussion and Shared Writing: What do you imagine the North Pole to look like? Who would you find?</p>	<p>Poem: Christmas Star</p> <p>Discussion and Shared Writing: What is your favorite Christmas story?</p>
Read-Aloud	<i>Rock Star Santa</i>	<i>Santa's Underwear</i>	<i>Arthur's Christmas</i>	<i>There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Bell</i>	<i>Rodney Reindeer</i>
Small Group	Parent Gifts	Parent Gifts	Roll and Cover Christmas Tree Number Matching	Shape Reindeer	Shape Reindeer
<p>Family Partnerships: Take a walk around your neighborhood and look for signs of Christmas--lights, decorations, etc.! Additionally, please take time to talk with your child about your holiday traditions that you share with your family every year.</p>					

Week of: December 16th-20th

Teacher: Miss.Susie

Study: Christmas

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Peppermint Play Doh	Peppermint Play Doh Christmas Finger Puppets	Christmas Nativity Set Christmas Finger Puppets	Christmas Party	Christmas Party
Large Group	Poem: I've Been Waiting for Christmas Discussion and Shared Writing: Can you name all of Santa's Reindeer	Song: Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer Discussion and Shared Writing: Would you rather be an Elf in Santa's Workshop or a Reindeer pulling Santa's Sleigh?	Song: Little Drummer Boy Discussion and Shared Writing: How do you spread Holiday Cheer?	Finger play: Five Little Bells Jingle Bell Freeze Dancing	Rhyme: Call Rudolph Discussion and Shared Writing: You have been granted one Christmas wish...What will it be?
Read-Aloud	<i>The Littlest Christmas Elf</i>	<i>Rudolph The Red Nose Reindeer</i>	<i>Snowmen At Christmas</i>	<i>The Reindeer's Christmas Party</i>	<i>The Night Before Christmas</i>
Small Group	Santa's Beard Scissor Skills	Writing my name in red and green marker	Fizzing Candy Cane Science Experiment	Party Games	Party Games Pattern Candy Canes