



BEST BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL NEWS FROM SALLY NOVEMBER 2016



November is that quiet month tucked between the fun of Halloween and the frenzy of Christmas. It is a wonderful time to spend time with family, eat yummy traditional dishes and reflect on all the many blessings each of us enjoys.

HALLOWEEN - Seeing all the families together at Pumpkin Carving night is such a treat. It was fun to have so many returning siblings to show off how much they have grown! All the children enjoyed their Halloween parties and looked very cute in their costumes. Thanks to all the parents who contributed on party day and also provided such yummy treats (cheese brooms, caterpillars, cute carrots etc.) for the Carving Nights. We couldn't have pulled it off without all your help.

FUNDRAISER - Thanks to all the families who so generously contributed to making our fundraiser a success. We were able to raise \$4700 plus an additional \$1500 of matching funds. Our original plan was to just replace the monkey bars but that has proven more difficult than expected given our size requirements for the children. It looks like we will need to combine the monkey bars with a larger structure to meet all the installation requirements. A percentage of the funds raised goes to support our scholarship fund for families in need.

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS:

- **TUITION:** Tuition is due by the 9th of the month. Please be mindful of the days your child attends class so your check is in our possession and ready to process on the 10th. Patty, our accountant, makes her deposits on the next closest Tuesday or Thursday to the 10th. There are 3 tuition boxes, one close to each entrance and one in the back hallway.
- **FELLOWSHIP HALL:** The Fellowship Hall and church bathrooms are only cleaned once a week. Please try to pick up any food that happens to get spilled and make sure that the books in the foyer stand are placed back on the shelf.
- **LATE PICK-UP:** Just a quick reminder that we are entering the raining season and traffic is pretty much awful everywhere. Please allow sufficient time to get from Bell Sq. and downtown Redmond for timely pick-ups.
- **LOCKED DOORS:** For everyone's security and peace of mind, the education building doors are locked at 9:15 and 12:30. In addition we will be locking the outer North facing door at this time as well.

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HOLIDAYS: Over the years our school has become more diverse in the population it serves. This diversity has opened up many doors for all of us to learn from one another and to share the unique and special celebrations that take place around the world. We invite families to share any customs or holidays that they celebrate through out the year with the children in their child's class. Christmas is a month long celebration in this country and though we know not everyone celebrates this holiday, we invite you to share in its message of hope and joy.

On Dec. 13/14 families are invited to the Sanctuary to enjoy Christmas Caroling by the children, followed by Father Jim's very interactive story of the Nativity.

Dec. 13 Tues - 9:15 - Lori's TTH 3's, Chris's TTHF 4's and Joi's TTHF 3-4 split

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Marjorie's TK

Dec. 14 Wed - 9:15 - Joi's Pre-3's, Lori's MWA 3's, Kerry's MWB 3's, Paula's MWF

SALLY GONE - I will be gone November 7 - 15. Stephanie will be available to help parents on Monday, Wednesday. Patty will be in the office Tuesday & Thursday. School will be closed Friday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day.

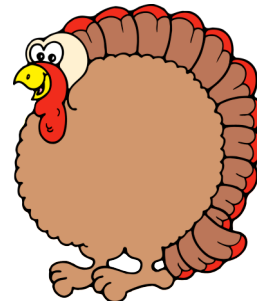
IMPORTANT DATES:

November 11: Veteran's Day - No School

November 24 & 25: Thanksgiving - No School

December 17 - January 2: Holiday closure

January 3rd: Welcome Back to School



HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL.

- Sally