



LET'S GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD!

First Presbyterian
Preschool of Mesa

November 1, 2020

Being Thankful

This month brings to mind all of the things we have been blessed with, especially our children and families. There is no greater gift than quality time with the ones that we love. Recently, I had the special opportunity to spend time with my dad at Bearizona. It was a precious time that brought many smiles and laughter to the surface but also allowed me the chance to share with him how much I love him. Our time on this earth is limited and today is a gift. Tomorrow is not guaranteed and we need take advantage of our time together. Please take the time to tell those that you love how much they mean to you. It is what Thanksgiving is all about!

Check out [SesameStreet.org](https://www.sesamestreet.org)

This is your go-to website for tips and ideas for helping your preschooler build skills and confidence as they navigate their little world. It has great parenting tips, child development resources and activities to build up those little brains.

Picture Day is coming!

Save the Date: Wednesday, November 18th
Please confirm with the office which day your child will switch if they do not normally attend on Wednesdays. We want all children to attend for the class picture.
Thank you!

Stress and Children

During these trying times you may not realize how the news coverage on TV or the radio has impacted the stress that your child feels every day. Here at the preschool we take health very seriously and are constantly monitoring hand washing, sneezes, covering coughs, etc. We want you to be an advocate for your child and their physical and emotional health, too. Please look for signs that may indicate that they are feeling stressed and take some time to help them cope as things come up. Sitting together to read a book is a great way to help!

Important: We will host our school-wide Family Thanksgiving Feast on Tuesday, November 24th at 10:45 am. Please join us as we give thanks as an entire school for the family and friends in our life. Look for a signup sheet for what you can bring. Any family member who does join us will be required to wear the face covering during arrival and departure times of the event.

After the feast, there will not be lunch bunch. We will close at noon for the holiday weekend.

Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunity

Thanksgiving Feast set-up: Please let your teachers know if you are interested in helping set up the school-wide feast for families on Tuesday, November 24th. It would be approximately 2 hours of your time (from 9:30-11:30am). We will need many parents for this job so that all of us can sit down together at the same time and then clean up, too. Thanks

Reminders to families

- Please do not send your child to school with a fever, green/runny nose, vomiting or with loose stools. We are trying to keep everyone as healthy as possible. If they are sick they will not be able to return to school for 72-hours after the last incident if symptoms
- Sign IN and Sign OUT each day when your child attends school. It is a state requirement.
- No Parking under the covered parking area. Thank you!

Donation requests:

- Fall & Holiday stickers
- Large bottles of Bubbles
- Old Newspapers

A look Ahead...

School Closures

1. November 11, Wednesday
Veteran's Day
2. November 25-27, Wed-Friday
Thanksgiving Holiday
3. December 21-January 1
Christmas Break

Daily Support for your Preschooler

Monday

Cut out pictures of healthy snacks and unhealthy snacks. Talk about the differences.

Tuesday

Go on a found-sound treasure hunt listening in nature for different sounds like cars, birds, the washing machine, wind or a trash truck.

Wednesday

Ask "How" something works and give praise for their efforts even if they are wrong.

Thursday

Play a matching game with their shoes

Friday

Let them set the table for dinner

Upcoming Events

Nov 18: Picture Day

Lifetouch Preschool Portraits will be taking individual & class pictures.

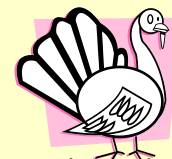
Nov 24: Thanksgiving Feast, 10:45am. Fun for the whole family!

Dec 2: Stories with Ms Claus in the classroom at 9:30am.

Dec 10: Christmas Program, 10:30am. All family members are encouraged to attend and stay for Cookies & Milk afterwards.

Thank You

Teachers!



My heart is full of joy for the teachers that we have here at First Presbyterian Preschool! They truly give their heart to the children every day and work to make sure that each one of them feels loved, appreciated and welcome in their classrooms. I am so proud of the work that they do with our little angels!

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