# November 2021

# First Presbyterian Weekday School

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Dear Weekday School Families,

I want to thank you for your support of the activities that happen at the Weekday School! Whether it is classroom requests for art supplies or the Book Fair or a yummy Jordan Springs dinner – you are there for these programs and we are grateful for your presence!!

Wishing you well, Ms. Christen

### Portfolio Assessment at Weekday School

The teachers and students create portfolios to track the progress of students at the Weekday School. We use work samples (drawings, writings, pictures of structures and activities); checklists of developmentally appropriate skills in cognitive, language, physical, and social/emotional development; anecdotal records of interactions and observations in the classroom and a variety of other strategies unique to each age level. The older children have access to their portfolios to look through and add to – they are part of the process of gathering information.

Fall Assessment Forms will be sent home in November that will highlight activities your child completed while at school, show you what we have noticed about your child in the areas of development and what we are working on going forward into the winter months. This is meant to give you a snapshot of your child's day and interactions while at school. Feel free to follow up with your child's teacher if you have any questions!

## Important Dates

November 1 and 2 NO SCHOOL

November 24-26 NO SCHOOL

#### ARTWORK OVERLOAD?

A tip for saving your child's creations!! Choose a photo sharing/producing company of your choice: take pictures of artwork and creations and upload them into an album; print by year with dates and your child's descriptions of the art!!

#### Entering the WDS

Weekday School families, please adhere to this COVID protocol...if your child's classroom is in the basement or upstairs, please enter through the BLUE DOORS. If your child's classroom is on the main floor, please enter through the other door with the 3 steps attached to the parking lot.

## **Substitutes**

We are still in need of some substitute staff members at the Weekday School...if you are interested in working 1 or 2 days/week in classrooms, please email wds@fpcwinc.org

#### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

Similar to last year, the Weekday School will have a virtual Christmas Program! The children will practice selected songs during music and we will record the performance. The recording will be shared with families closer to Christmas.