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This is such a wonderful time of the year! We just finished talking about how good God is to us and all that we have to be thankful for. Now the children are busy learning about the greatest gift of all; baby Jesus. Please mark your calendar and be sure to join us for your child's Christmas program. It's a delight to see and hear the Christmas story told by preschoolers.

It's time to start thinking about enrolling your child for next fall. We will begin accepting applications for re-enrollment on January 3, 2012. Enrollment forms will

be sent home this month in your child's cubby. Priority will be given to Zion members and currently enrolled families. Beginning February 1, enrollment opens to the public on a first come – first serve basis. Many classes fill up fast so please get your applications in ASAP.

May the good news of our Savior's birth fill your hearts with joy this Christmas and the New Year.

Peace, *Barb* Barb Ballif

No School!!
December 19th - January 2nd
Christmas Break
School resume January 3rd

TUITION PAYMENT INFORMATION:

(Remember to pay January's tuition before December 10)

At Let Me Shine, tuition is due the first of each month (with a ten day grace period). Tuition received after the tenth of the month will be assessed a late fee of \$20.00. Tuition is paid in nine equal installments August-April (we pay tuition a month in advance- your August check was for September, etc.). Your April check will be your last tuition payment for the year. If you have any questions about your payments, please see Holly in the preschool office! Remember that January's tuition is due before DECEMBER 10th!!

Christmas Music Sharing

Please join us to celebrate the Christmas season with your child's music class. We will be moving, singing and playing instruments together so please dress comfortably and come and join the fun!

SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC SHARING TIMES

TBA	Miss Lorna & Miss Chante (T-TH) Miss Savita & Miss Kelli (T-TH)
Mon. Dec. 5	9:00 a.m. Miss Lorna & Miss Chante (MWF) 11:30 a.m. Miss Savita (MWF)
Thurs. Dec. 8	9:00 a.m. Miss Annette & Miss Sabrina (T-TH) 11:15 a.m. Miss Chris (T-TH-F)
Mon. Dec. 12	9:00 a.m. Miss Kelli (MWF) 11:15 a.m. Miss Sabrina (MWF)

Thank you for your great support of our music program at Let Me Shine. It is a great pleasure for me to work with your children.

~Susan Swidnicki

Bring it on!



Your Children's Winter Gear that is!

Kids love to
EAT
Popsicles,
not become
them!



Cold weather is here and the Let Me Shine Staff wants to remind you that the kids need to bring appropriate clothing everyday for having fun this time of the year. YES, we play outside EVERYDAY (except when it's raining, there is a bad air quality alert or the temperature drops below 20°). Fresh air and exercise are always the best! Tip: Snow Boots are needed only when there's snow – and snow pants are recommended when there is substantial snow. Refer to the list and always, always, LABEL, LABEL, LABEL your children's winter stuff with their name. Thanks so much!

As per the Parent Handbook issued at the beginning of the year, Let Me Shine follows Salt Lake City School District regarding decisions for school closures due to severe weather conditions. Please refer to KSL news reports on 1160 AM or 102.7 FM.

Winter Gear Checklist:

- Snow Boots
- Mittens
- Caps
- Beanies
- Warm socks
- Snow pants
- Winter Jackets or Coats
- Closed-toed shoes
- Scarves
- Earmuffs
- Chap stick (why not?)

Family Fun Gingerbread Houses



Start planning your decorations & designs for Zion's Family Fun Gingerbread House activity to be held on

Sunday, December 11, 2011 at 12:00—2:00 pm
in the Terrace room.

Everyone, young in age or young at heart, is invited to participate in this festive holiday activity. You need to sign up including the number of adults & children attending for dinner and the number of houses needed on the sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board outside of the library. **Provided items:** Soup, bread, drinks, pre-made graham cracker houses & royal icing to use for decorating (icing made with powdered egg whites). **Items you need to bring:** At least one decorating item per participant to share (i.e. cereal, candy, coconut, ice cream cones, pretzels, fruit roll ups, peeps are just some examples. Bring what you would like to have to decorate with.). The houses will be built beforehand in Zion's kitchen if anyone is interested in helping out. A donation of \$2 per person to help cover cost is suggested but not necessary to participate.

Please contact Angie Reuschel at

801-565-9015 or aclmom86@msn.com to help with this activity, with any questions, or to RSVP. Hope to see you there!

LUNCHBUNCH

When you buy a lunch bunch BOOK (10 cards for \$60.00) you will have 10 passes. If you want just a daily pass, the rate is \$6.50. Every day, there will be a place to submit your lunch bunch passes. Please ask Holly if you have any questions about this system!

HOW DOES LUNCH BUNCH WORK? Simply bring a lunch for your child and place it on the cart provided in the main entry. Sign your child's name and initial on the Lunch Bunch Clipboard. Your child will be brought to lunch bunch by a teacher or aide. You will need to mark the time on the form when you pick up your child. Lunch bunch ends at 1:00pm, and there will be a fee of \$1 per minute charged to your account after 1:05pm. We thank you for your consideration of our teacher's and aide's time.

NOTE: *We respectfully request that you do not bring fast food meals (it's just too tempting to the other kids) and we discourage lunch items that need to be heated (this takes an adult out of the area of supervision). Please have your child's name on his/her lunch box and clearly state any food allergies—on the lunchbox itself.* Children with food allergies will sit separately from others as requested by you, the parent.



Miss Heather's Little Monkeys

A big thanks to all my families for making the Thanksgiving Feast a success. The kids enjoyed this special time with their parents. Now that we have wrapped up Thanksgiving it is time for Advent. During Advent we will "get ready for the baby". Even the smallest children love the story of Baby Jesus. I'm looking forward to sharing the joy and hope of this season with them through stories, art and song. We will celebrate with a special birthday party for Jesus and exchange our books on the 14th and 15th of December. I wish you all a wonderful holiday season with your precious children. I can't wait to hear about all the excitement when we meet again in January.

Peace,
Miss Heather

Miss Kelli's Cubs

Well November flew by! I can't believe its December. We had so much fun learning about shapes, patterns and our five senses. It was so much fun to talk with the cubs about Thanksgiving and to explain why we need to be thankful. Thanksgiving chapel was so cute and the cubs all did such a great job. I am so excited for Christmas and to teach the cubs about Our Savior's birth and the reason for the season of Christmas. We will be making some very, very cute Christmas art projects, so make sure to check their cubbies so you and your families can enjoy them.

Miss Kelli



Miss Lorna's Little Lambs



WELCOME back! I hope that everybody really enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving. Thank you for coming to our Thanksgiving Feast and Chapel. It is always a treat to sit down with friends for a lovely meal and fellowship. I really feel blessed after meeting with all of you for Parent-Teacher Conferences. It was a real treat to share the positive feedback and progress of our kiddos. Thank you so much!

NOVEMBER was a great ride learning about transportation and space travel. "Jesus is with us everywhere we go!" We even got to share this message with the whole school when we helped Miss Holly with Chapel.

HAPPY 3rd BIRTHDAY—Kristen and Delcia

Our annual Christmas Music Programs with Miss Susan are December 1st and 5th at 9 A.M. You should have already received your invitations. Please join us for a fun time singing with your children.

DECEMBER is the month we celebrate JOY----for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. "He is the Reason for the Season". This month we will journey to Bethlehem with Mary and Joseph and learn about the Birth of Baby Jesus. There will be angels, shepherds, and a bright shining star in the heavens. Christmas Break will be from Dec. 17th thru Jan 2nd, so have a very Merry Christmas and we'll see you in the New Year!

Happy Birthday, Jesus
and God bless you,

Miss Lorna

Miss Savita's Class

Dear Parents,
Thank you for helping out with the Thanksgiving luncheon. The students did such a great job performing. At the beginning of the month I enjoyed getting to spend time with you to share how well your child is doing in school. This month we will be talking about the story of baby Jesus. Also, we'll be making some fun Christmas crafts and snacks. I will have a sign-up sheet posted in the next couple weeks asking for parents to buy goodies to decorate ginger bread people. The Christmas program for our Tuesday/Thursday class will be announced soon. After the program we will have cookies and juice. Our Monday/Wednesday/Friday class will have their program on Dec 5th at 11:30. Hope to see you there!

Miss Savita



Miss Chris's Critters

Dear Parents,
Thank you, for all of your support and participation during our recent book fair – I am eagerly anticipating the upcoming book exchange, which coincides perfectly, with the winter months and more reading time inside. We will be having our Christmas party on Friday, December 16th, watch for the treats sign up sheets. For this past month we have been working on the letters "A," "H," "N" and "C." The children have done well thinking of things that start with these letters – as a review please continue to spark their memories of these letters at home with various holiday themed words starting with the letters listed above. This next month, we will be working on letters, writing our last names, our phone numbers and much more; stop by our classroom anytime. On a sad note, we will all miss the twins Liam and Elsa who will be moving to Boise mid December. We will pray for a happy and healthy transition for the Christensen family.

Continued Blessings,
Miss Chris



Miss Chante's Class

In the month of December we will be talking about the birth of Jesus, celebrating his life with love and holiday cheer! On December 15th & 16th we will be having a Pajama party, so come in your comfy "PJ's" and lets have some fun decorating our gingerbread houses. * Have a safe & happy holiday & New Year's!

Thanks!

Happy Holidays :) Miss Chante

Miss Sabrina's Sea Adventurers!



Dear Parents,

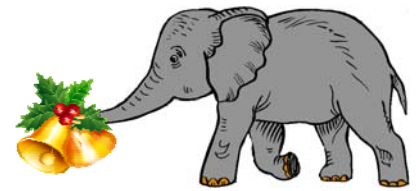
Thank you all so much for supporting the book fair and the idea of a book exchange. I know it will be a fun treat for when we have our Christmas parties. We will be having our parties on Thursday, December 15th and Friday, December 16th. Please watch for treat sign up sheets. For the month of November we have been working on the letter "F" for flamingo and talking about how God can change us from the inside out with his love. "G" is for grasshopper and even though we are small we can do big things with the Lord's help. We talked about how a mother hen keeps her chicks safe and close, God does the same thing for us keeps us under his wing and protection. We finished the month out with the letter "I" and that is for the inchworm and how God's love is immeasurable. December will be letter "J" - jingle for Jesus and then celebrate the birth of Christ for the rest of the month. Thank you all for parent teacher conferences and sharing your children with me. What a wonderful group of kids. Blessings and wishes for a beautiful holiday season.



Love, Miss Sabrina



Miss Annette's African Safari,



Dear Parents of room 7, and Let Me Shine staff and their families.

It was great to have so many of you join us for our annual thanksgiving potluck! We couldn't do it without all of you. The chapel feast and special music done with the students, and their parents participation are always such special times! Thank-You Pastor Steve, Miss Susan, Miss Barb & Miss Holly, and Miss Jeane, and our aides, Miss Gia, and Miss Lexie for all your hard work in the preparations for these special occasions! Speaking of "Special occasions" We have a Very Special one fast approaching, and that is the birth of a Savior baby Jesus! Room 7 will Jingle for Jesus all month long! We will learn about baby Jesus thru the Bible, Gods Gospel of good news to us. We will also experience the good news thru crafts stories and classroom dramas! I love this time of year, and feel so blessed to be given the awesome opportunity, now going on nine years to teach and share the Christmas story with your children. My prayer and hope for all of you this CHRISTMAS season is that you too would experience in your hearts and homes thru your children and their sharing of the birth of a Savior, the Love, Peace, Hope, and Joy that only Jesus can bring!

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to You; He is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

Have a Merry Christmas,
Love in Christ,
Miss Annette



Worship with Us! Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome!

*Morning Prayer
with Communion*

8:15 am

&

Traditional worship

10:30 am

Sunday School for ages 3 and up

9:15 to 10:15 am

No Sunday school Dec. 18 & 25.

Christmas Celebrations

Sunday December 18, 6:30pm
Zion's Christmas Celebration

Join us for our annual concert telling the Bible story of Christmas. All Zion youth and children participate.

Saturday December 24, 2011

6:00 pm Worship with Carols
11:00 pm Candlelight Worship

Sunday December 25, 2011

10:00 am Worship

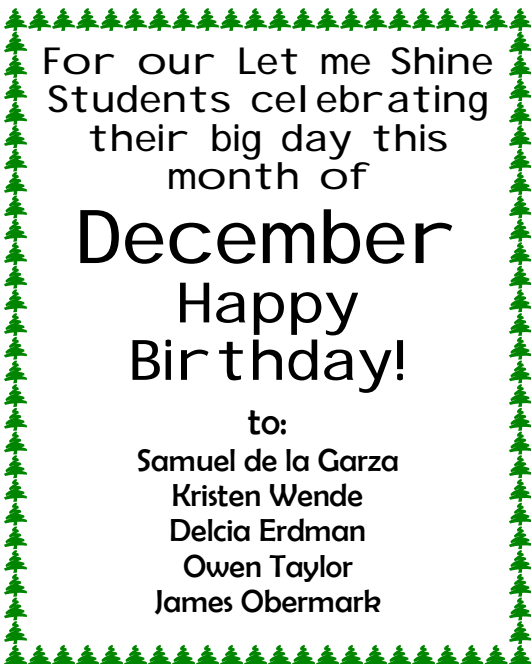
Sunday January 1, 2012

10:00 am Worship

Sunday, January 8, 2012

8:15 & 10:30 worship

Sunday School 9:15



For our Let me Shine
Students celebrating
their big day this
month of

December Happy Birth day!

to:

Samuel de la Garza
Kristen Wende
Delcia Erdman
Owen Taylor
James Obermark