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Dear Parents:

As Thanksgiving nears, I'm reminded of how blessed I am and what I have to be thankful for. I'm thankful to serve as your director and I'm especially thankful for each of you – the children and families of Let Me Shine. Thank you for the opportunity to educate, nurture, and care for your children!

Please join the staff, children and families of Let Me Shine in singing praises of Thanksgiving during our annual *Thanksgiving Chapel Service* and *Potluck Feast*. The service is Tuesday, November 20 at 11:30 am. Everyone is welcome to attend Chapel and invited to the delicious potluck meal following the service. Please watch for a potluck sign-up sheet outside your classroom door! See you there!

Also, a huge thank you to Dan's at Foothill for their very generous donation of 112 pumpkins for our annual pumpkin hunt! Please show them your appreciation by your patronage!

"Come; let us sing to the Lord! Let us give a joyous shout to the rock of our salvation! Let us come before him with Thanksgiving. Let us sing him psalms of praise." Psalm 95:1-2

In His Service,

Barb Ballif
Director



Let Me Shine's annual service project is Operation Christmas Child

November 12-19

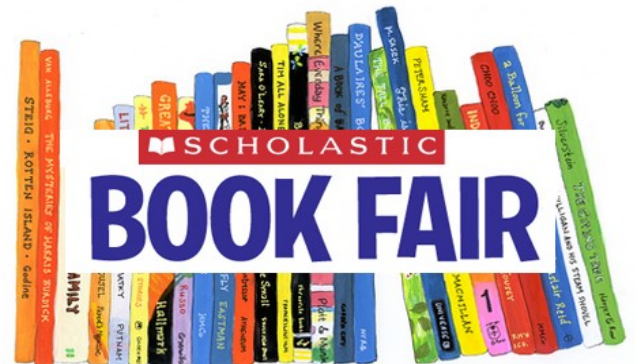
Look for information in your child's cubby

THANKSGIVING CHAPEL AND FEAST

Join Let Me Shine and Zion for their annual Thanksgiving Chapel and Feast on **Tuesday, November 20, at 11:30 AM.** *The children of Let Me Shine are singing in the program,* and we encourage parents to invite family and friends to this fun event. Sign up sheets for the meal are located at the classroom doors. Students and their parents from ALL classes are encouraged to attend!

THANKSGIVING BREAK

NOVEMBER 21-23



And
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

November 5-9

Before & After School

See page 2 for details



Need a little extra time in the morning?

Be sure to take advantage of Morning Bunch! Advanced notice is required!

Drop off time is anytime between 8:00am—8:45am.

Please sign your child in as usual on the clip board at the sign-in table and bring him/her down to Miss Sabrina's Room #8. Morning Bunch has story time, color time and game time! Make sure your child has breakfast before they come! Your child will be escorted to their classroom to begin their school day at 9:00am.

TUITION PAYMENT INFORMATION:

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

Tuition is due the first of each month. 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. April's payment is the last tuition payment for the year. If you have any questions about your payments, please see Holly in the preschool office!

LUNCHBUNCH

Do you need an extra hour after school for a hair appointment, doctor's appointment, etc.? Try out the Let Me Shine Lunch Bunch program!

Lunch Bunch is a hit with kids, and it is so easy to do. Pack a lunch for your child, buy a lunch ticket in the office, and that's it! We'll take care of the rest. Pick up is at 1:00 pm, and the lunch bunch kids will be downstairs in the Terrace Room. Lunch Bunch is a lot of fun for the kids! We play lots of games, have fun and interesting activities, and the kids get to eat their lunch together in a social setting! Our fabulous Lunch Bunch staff helps the kids open their lunches, then they get to do floor tumbling, art, fun games, story time, even some science activities! Lunch Bunch costs \$7.00 for one ticket, or \$70.00 for a pack of 10. We'd love to have you! If you have any questions about lunch bunch, please ask Barb or Holly for information!



Cold weather is coming

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 is 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!

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Each family at Let Me Shine is required to complete five volunteer hours during the school year. You may "opt out" of volunteering with a \$50 payment to Let Me Shine. We do hope you'll decide to volunteer—it's a great way to meet the kids, parents & staff, and learn about the day-to-day activities at Let Me Shine. Here are a few ideas to get you started: Assist in the classroom (with prior arrangement), maintain & straighten storage rooms, at-home projects, book fair volunteers, library maintenance, read to a class, talk about your occupation, etc. Please talk to Barb, Holly, or your child's teacher about additional opportunities or ideas. Your help is always welcome!!



November 5-9

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES



Sign-up sheets are located near your child's classroom for times to schedule your Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Also . . . We ask your consideration in keeping your scheduled appointment and arriving on time. Our teachers' time before & after school is limited, and you may be scheduled back-to-back with another parent. Check out the Book Fair while waiting!!

FALL BOOK FAIR

Before & After School

Let Me Shine will once again host the semi-annual Scholastic Book Fair! This is an excellent opportunity to purchase quality educational books, games, crafts, etc. for your child. It is also a great time to get an early start on your Christmas shopping! Let Me Shine benefits from your purchases by earning points towards books for the classrooms. **HELPERS ARE NEEDED!!** A sign up sheet is on the sign-in table for those able to work at the fair assisting with sales. **This is a good way to earn your volunteer hours!**



Ms Anne's Busy Bees



Dear Busy Bee Families,

As we enter November, a season of reflection and thanksgiving, we remember all of our blessings. I am so thankful for this group of kids. They surprise me every day. I love their curiosity, how they play and interact with each other, and the progress we have made as a classroom community. We have done some fun and messy art projects - pumpkin art and corn paintings were the favorites this month! We've also enjoyed a week with dinosaurs! Definite highlights were our Harvest Party and listening to the pumpkin gospel.

As we enter this new month, I look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your child's progress. We will celebrate Thanksgiving with our annual LMS Feast! Please continue to refer to our classroom calendar and newsletter for upcoming events. And get some volunteer hours in by signing up for our upcoming Book Fair! Thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers!

In His service,

Miss Anne



Miss Chris's Critters



Fall is my absolute favorite time of the year! I love the cooler temperatures, beautiful fall colors, and all the exciting activities there are to take part in. Miss Chris's Critters have been busy participating in these wonderful activities. So far we have embarked on a spectacular nature hike, visited a pumpkin patch and put our creativity to the test in the classroom making seasonal crafts. I've enjoyed watching all my little critters exercise their minds in class and I am very proud of the fact that they are mastering writing their names and letters. We will be focusing on the letters, "C," "I," "L," and "P." Way to go Critters! Keep up the good work!

Happy Thanksgiving,

Miss Chris



Miss Carlee's Owlets

Hi Parents!!

Wow! October went by so quickly! We had so much fun with our pumpkin hunts and harvest parties. Thank you all who volunteered this month. This month we are learning about being thankful and what that means. We will be having our annual Thanksgiving Feast party as well! Parent-Teacher conferences are coming up soon; ask me for the sign up sheet! It's getting colder outside so start bringing mittens and hats and bigger jackets please! I love spending time with these kiddos.

God bless you and your family,

Miss Carlee



Miss Kristina's Ladybugs



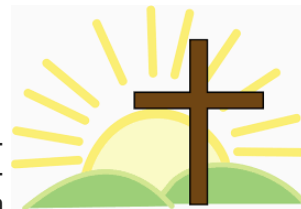
November reminds us of how much we are thankful for! As we count our blessings in class, please remember to bring in donations for our Operation Christmas Child box; we are eager to spread the love of Jesus beyond the school walls. Within our classroom, the learning continues. Last month we were entomologists studying bugs and spiders. We also began our study of botany by exploring the life cycle of pumpkins. This month we will continue our study of botany with trees before transforming into chefs and marine biologists! Parent-teacher conferences will be the week of November 5th. Please look for the sign-up sheet outside the classroom. We will end the month by celebrating Thanksgiving with our families at the school feast on Tuesday the 20th.

Miss Kristina



Miss Lezlie's Sunshines

Dear Families,



What a wonderful month it has been! October has been full of fun and exciting adventures for the sunshine class! We have been busy painting, creating art projects, talking about the letters "D," "E," "F" and "G," baking, celebrating birthdays, pumpkin hunts, Harvest parties and just too much to list! Most importantly we have been talking about God, and how he gives us everything we have. God gives good gifts! I asked the students what their favorite things were that God gives to them, their answers were precious! Some said toys, others said candy and friends, some said Jesus and families. I just loved everything they had to say.

A special thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped during our classroom parties! Whether you helped in class or donated treats for our parties, you are all wonderful and greatly appreciated! This month we will be talking about and learning the letters "H," "I," "J," "K" ... we have started with our letter recognition lessons, so please remember that show-N-tell will coincide with our letter of the week- this helps so much with building their vocabulary and the kiddos really love making that connection.

This month we will be making pumpkin pies, exploring the inside of a pumpkin, talking about everything we are thankful for, and how each friend gives thanks!

Please keep an eye out for other parent volunteer opportunities we will have in our class this month. Thank you for all you do!

If there is anything I can do for you and your families, please let me know. It's a privilege and blessing to be your child's teacher, thank you for the opportunity.

God's blessings,
Miss Lezlie





Miss Alia's Music Class

Dear Let Me Shine Family,

We are relishing this beautiful fall weather and singing songs of Thanksgiving! We've been learning about Johnny Appleseed and have been exploring the works of different composers such as Rossini, Grieg, and Satie. Download Gymnopedie No.1 by Satie for a beautiful introduction to his music for piano.

Thank you always for sharing your children with me each week!

"Sing"cerely,
Miss Alia

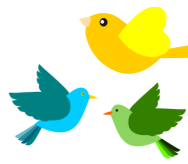


For our
Let Me Shine Students
celebrating their big
day this month of

November

**Happy
Birthday!**

to:
**Wren Haskell
Evelyn Gaisford
Evie Fowler**



Miss Denet's Little Birds

Hi Friends-

We are having such a blast in class! It is really sweet to see the children understand and enjoy the routine of our class schedule. They get excited about music class. They help with cleanup because cleanup is followed by snack time. :) They love our walks and point out all the beauty in nature and the animals that we may see. They get really excited about recess. It is such a blessing to be their teacher and to love them.

Blessings,

Miss Denet



Miss Heather's Happy Hedgehogs

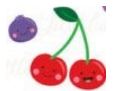
It's hard to believe that November is here. The weeks are really flying by! The children are enjoying the changing colors of fall. We love to crunch the leaves on our bus walk every day. Thank you to everyone who helped with our pumpkin hunts and harvest parties. We all had fun decorating our pumpkins and trick or treating around the building in our costumes. November will also be a busy month. We will be talking about Noah, food and being thankful. Parent-Teacher conferences are coming up on November 6-10. I have a signup sheet above the cubbies if you would like to meet with me. The book fair is happening that week as well if you would like to volunteer or just buy books! Thank you again for all your help and support. Our families are what make Let Me Shine so special!

In His Peace,
Miss Heather



Miss Sabrina's Sweeties!

Hello Parents,



What an amazing month October was...fall is here! We've had so much fun learning our letters, going on a pumpkin hunt, and enjoying our friends. Our pumpkin hunt led us to talk about how we are all unique and special in our own ways just like the pumpkins we picked. We learned about the letters "S," "B," "H" and "C." With the letter "S" we talked about how God is our shepherd and we are his sheep. The letter "B" we talked about how God has given each one of us a special job to do like the honeybee; and whatever our job is we should do it for God's glory. We closed out the month with the letter "H" for hen and how God keeps us safe like a momma hen does for her babies. Our ants finally came for our ant farm and it was fun watching them build and take care of their little colony for a couple weeks. Unfortunately, their lifespan wasn't as long as we would have liked. Such is the circle of life; which led us to also talk about heaven and how that is our forever home. I am so looking forward to Parent Teacher Conferences and sharing about your child and all their wonderful talents and abilities. Each one is amazing! Much love and blessings to you and yours!

Miss Sabrina

