

Yellow School News

December 2017



Christmas is coming! As always, the fall semester has flown by and we are busily planning for Christmas! Enjoy this wonderful time with your family and friends and make some traditions all your own!

Love, Candice

Upcoming Events

On Wednesday, December 6th, at 11:00, the Pre-K classes and Kindergarten will be singing at The Gathering in the Fellowship Hall of the church. They will also be singing the next day for the Women's Coffee at 10:00 in the Parlor.



Mark Your Calendars!

December 4th – 8th – Christmas readings to the classes.

December 6th – Pre-K and Kindergarten classes sing at The Gathering

December 7th - Pre-K and Kindergarten classes sing at The Women's Coffee

December 15th – Kindergarten Christmas Program in the Amphitheater at 10:30 (Pre-K and Kindergarten classes sing)

December 15th – Dismissal at 12:00

December 16th – January 2nd – Yellow School closed for the Christmas holidays

January 3rd – First day back!

January 24th – Yellow School closed for Parent Conferences

January 25th – Fall 2018 registration for current Yellow School families

Registration for Next Year (Reminder)

We will be accepting applications for the 2018 – 2019 school year from **FAMILIES CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT YELLOW**

SCHOOL beginning January 25th at 6:00 AM. If you need any additional information, just let me know! I will send an email reminder as we get closer!

Kindergarten

December is a busy month for our Kindergartners (as you can tell from our upcoming events)! I continue to be amazed just how much our Kindergartners learn on a daily basis (as do all of the children at Yellow School)! Check out the calendar for event information!

Chapel Chat (Ms. Becky)

The word *advent* means coming or arrival and that is exactly what we are celebrating at Christmas time – the coming of Jesus Christ! We will have fun at Chapel recounting the birth of Christ from the books of Matthew and Luke. Our Bible verse for December is *God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son John 3:16*. This scripture is a great reminder of what advent is really all about – God's immense love for us. We invite you to share His love at our Family Christmas Eve Service, Dec 24 at 4:00. Merry Christmas! Ms. Becky

Spanish with Rosi (and Ms. Varela)

Sylvia Varela continues to teach our children beginning Spanish words and phrases. This month, we will be learning all about Christmas! The children will sing Feliz Navidad with instrumentos musicales and decorate the tree with ornamentos, put an estrella (star) on the top and regalos (presents) under the tree. They will also learn colors – rojo (red), verde (green), café (brown), blanco (white) and amarillo (yellow).

Parent Conferences

On Wednesday, January 24th, Yellow School will be closed for Parent/Teacher Conferences. I will be sending out a sign-up genius as we get closer for you to book your spot! We will have childcare available during the time you have your conference.



Church Events and Activities

Parents' Shopping Day

On December 9th, from 9:15 AM to 3:00 PM there will be a Parents' Shopping Day. This program is for children 12 weeks to 10 years of age and costs \$25 per child (\$15 per sibling). Please check out the MDPC website for more information and to register!

Concert Series: Choral Christmas Concert

How often do you get to sing Christmas carols with a full orchestra? Now is your chance! Additionally, the Sanctuary Choir will perform *Messa di Gloria* by Giacomo Puccini, and *The Many Moods of Christmas* by Robert Shaw and Robert Russell Bennett.

Sunday, Dec. 17 | 6:00 PM | Free admission

MDPC Toy Train Is Here

MDPC's Mobile Unit works year-round to bring low-income neighborhoods new or lightly used goods for free or very low cost. At Christmastime, it distributes toys to kids on its routes. Please consider bringing new, unwrapped toys to drop off in the Toy Train.

We will be collecting toys in the east hallway through Dec. 19

Kids' Meals Monthly Service Project

In Houston, one in four preschool children goes to bed hungry - you can make sure there is one less empty tummy! Just bring four loaves of bread per sandwich-maker and come make sandwiches for Kids'

Meals. That's all it takes to make a difference. Wednesday, Dec. 13 | 4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Contact Julie with questions:
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Carline Safety

There are a few reminders I would like to share to keep our children safe:

- Please do not use your cell phones while you are in the carline (just like "real" schools) – I won't fine you (☺) but I do worry about safety
- Please do not allow your children to stand on the seats and hang out of the top of the car. While it is very cute and the children love to do it, again, I am concerned for their safety
- Please do not have your child on your lap while you are driving – we want to set good examples for traffic rules
- If you walk your child in, please do not cut across the carline

Reminders

- Tuition is due by the 10th of the month – we do not bill for tuition
- Please book your extended day needs with Tara as early as possible to allow for staffing
- Please submit missing paperwork to Tara as soon as possible (we need it for our regulatory agencies – not just making it up!)
- If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please let me know!

Christmas Readings

During the week of December 4th – 8th, there is a volunteer opportunity to read to the children in the school. If you are interested, please contact me!

