

## NOVEMBER DIRECTORS' NEWSLETTER

We hope everyone had a safe and Happy Halloween! Our classroom parties were fun for all! Thank You to all of our parents who helped in the classrooms, sent in snacks, and helped with crafts.

Cool weather guidelines: Cooler weather is approaching (hopefully!). Please be sure that jackets & sweaters are marked clearly with your child's first and last name, we prefer a piece of masking tape with your child's name written in dark ink, placed on the outside, back of jackets & coats so It can be seen easily by his/her teacher. Thank You!

A very special thank you goes out to Miss Debbie for organizing our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Trunk Or Treat! Thank you also to The Rosario Family, The Colaiacomo Families (both of them), The Poklemba Family, The MacKellar Family, The Lorenzini Family, The Sizemore Family, The Aguedelo Family, The Limiero Family, The Woisin Family, The Heacox Family, The Martin Family, The Payne Family, The Hay Family, The Simon Family, The Smith Family, and The Tarsia Family for the amazing job they all did in decorating their trunks for the Trunk or Treat event! It was so great of you to take time from your busy schedules to participate and the kids had so much fun! Of course thank you to all the families that donated goodies for our little goblins to collect as well!

If your little one comes home some day soon talking about the new & exciting fun things added to the classrooms, please take a moment to smile & think of Kamden Gabrick, who's light was lost far too soon. Kamden's family has graciously donated 2 truckloads of his toys, playroom furniture, craft supplies, outdoor toys & bikes. They felt it would be great to spread his love & light all around his school that "He loved very much".

Books- R- Fun is a book & gift item purchasing program that we host at Noonan Academy. Occasionally you will see a display of books & gift items available to order in the library entrance way. If you see something you would like to order, simply fill in the order form information, leave payment in the blue envelope & your item will be sent home with your child on the date listed. If the item you order is to be a gift for your child, please write "gift" somewhere on your order line and it will be sent home "incognito"! For every 10 items sold, the school will receive 1 item or book for the school.

<u>Picture Days-</u> Oh So Cute Photography will be at Noonan Academy on Monday 11/5, Tuesday 11/6 & Wednesday 11/7. Photos will be taken with the Holiday in mind, suitable for gift giving & in time for Holiday card mailing. Please watch your child's tote bag or file for his/her ASSIGNED DAY.

<u>FOOD DRIVE:</u> Noonan Academy has a yearly tradition of participating in a food drive to benefit The Cape Caring Center. This is year we have decided to expand that a bit and add a donation to an animal shelter, to help our furry family members as well! This year's food drive will be held from Monday, 11/5 through Wednesday, 11/14. The Cape Caring Center provides assistance to local families and is always in need of donations.

This year, we will be collecting many items, including toiletries, diapers, dairy products, meats, produce, and even frozen foods! For the Animal Shelter, we will collect all types of animal food, treats & toys, bleach, blankets, towels etc. The food & pet drive is a great way for us to introduce the concept of helping those in need, at a time of year when we are all so thankful for what we have. A more detailed list of requested items will be sent home. Please allow your child to participate by sending in an item or two, a few times a week, to place in their classroom collection box.

<u>Classroom Thanksgiving Celebrations</u> will be held on Friday, 11/16. A special Turkey lunch will be served on Wednesday 11/21 as well!

<u>VPK PARENTS:</u> Please note there are no VPK classes on Wednesday, 11/21. If your child usually attends Wrap around Care on Wednesdays, he/she may attend daycare that day for no additional cost.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: Noonan Academy will be closed on Thursday, 11/22, and Friday, 11/23, in observation of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

GIVING TREE: The Giving Tree is another wonderful event that we look forward to each year! Lee County Foster Care Services provides us with the names and <u>specific wishes</u> of LOCAL foster children, who are in need of gifts for Christmas.

We will be collecting gifts from 11/19 - 12/7. <u>Specific information will be sent home</u>, which will explain how the <u>program works</u>.

<u>Parent helpers needed</u>: If you would like to help set up our library Christmas Tree on 11/19, in the a.m., so it is ready to receive giving tree gifts, please call the school office and speak

to Mrs. Davis. We will also need one or two parent volunteers from each classroom to wrap Christmas gifts for Santa to hand out at our classroom Christmas parties. This is a nice chore for a parent who doesn't always have availability in their schedule to help out IN school at our classroom parties. Please call Mrs. Davis at 945-7001, jot a note, or let your child's teacher know, if you would like to volunteer for either chore!

Save The Date!: Our Pre-K Holiday program will be held, one night, 12/19 in the Pelican Elementary School Cafeteria. Specific date will be December 19th. Please let your child's teacher know right away, if for some reason, he/she will not be able to participate.

## NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

November 1st: Monthly tuition due

November 3rd - Miss Jamie's Birthday

November 5th, 6th & 7th - Holiday picture days

November 5th-14th - Food Drive & Animal Shelter Drive

November 16th: Classroom Thanksgiving Parties

November 19th-Dec. 7th- Foster Care Giving Tree Event

November 21st: No VPK classes

November 22th & 23rd: Thanksgiving Holiday, Academy Closed

November 27th- Fire Drill



## Dear Santa,

The teachers here at Noonan Academy have been so good this year! If you have any of the following items laying around, <u>used</u>, <u>but in good condition</u>, they would love to have them to use in the daycare areas for all the children's enjoyment!

Wooden Blocks of all sizes Lego/Duplo blocks- big and small
Match box/Hot Wheels type cars
Barbie dolls, clothes and furniture (no tiny accessories please)

Outdoor toys, Ride on toys, bubbles, sidewalk chalk Little Tykes easels w/ white board, White board markers & erasers

Stickers and small "Happy meal type" toys for teacher's "treasure boxes"

Toys, puzzles and books for all age groups (except infants) (Please be sure all toys are in good shape and all pieces are included) for use during out daycare hours.

Magazines and all kinds of craft materials for creative little minds!

Girls panties, boys underwear Lightweight, elastic waist shorts & pants- for boys & girls.

Sneaker style shoes for ages 1-4, boys & girls (for children to wear home in the event of an accident)

Old towels, any size (for use when wiping wet playground equipment in the morning)

Refill style baby wipes (to use after messy art projects) Sincerely,

Mrs. Davis