

Parma Kids Newsletter

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December Units

All of the classes will learn about giving to others, reading Christmas stories and learning about how other countries and cultures celebrate the season. Classes will be practicing songs for the Christmas program, making family gifts, and writing cards for Christmas.

Christmas Programs

Come join us for our Christmas program Tuesday evening, December 18th at 6:30pm. Our preschool classes will be singing songs and telling the story of Jesus's birth. Please bring your child to their classroom by 6:15pm. There will be light refreshments following the program. We look forward to seeing you there!

Scholastic Book Orders in December

This month we will send home a variety of book order forms you can order for Christmas gifts. We will mail early to ensure that they arrive before Christmas. You can also order online using code DZPB2. Orders are due at school by 12/10/18.

Find us on Facebook!

Our Facebook page and our website have regular updates added to them sharing information and special events. We will post copies of the newsletter and class calendars on the Parma Kids website. If you search Facebook @ParmaKids you will find us. Our website is Parmakids.com.

Snack Sign-up

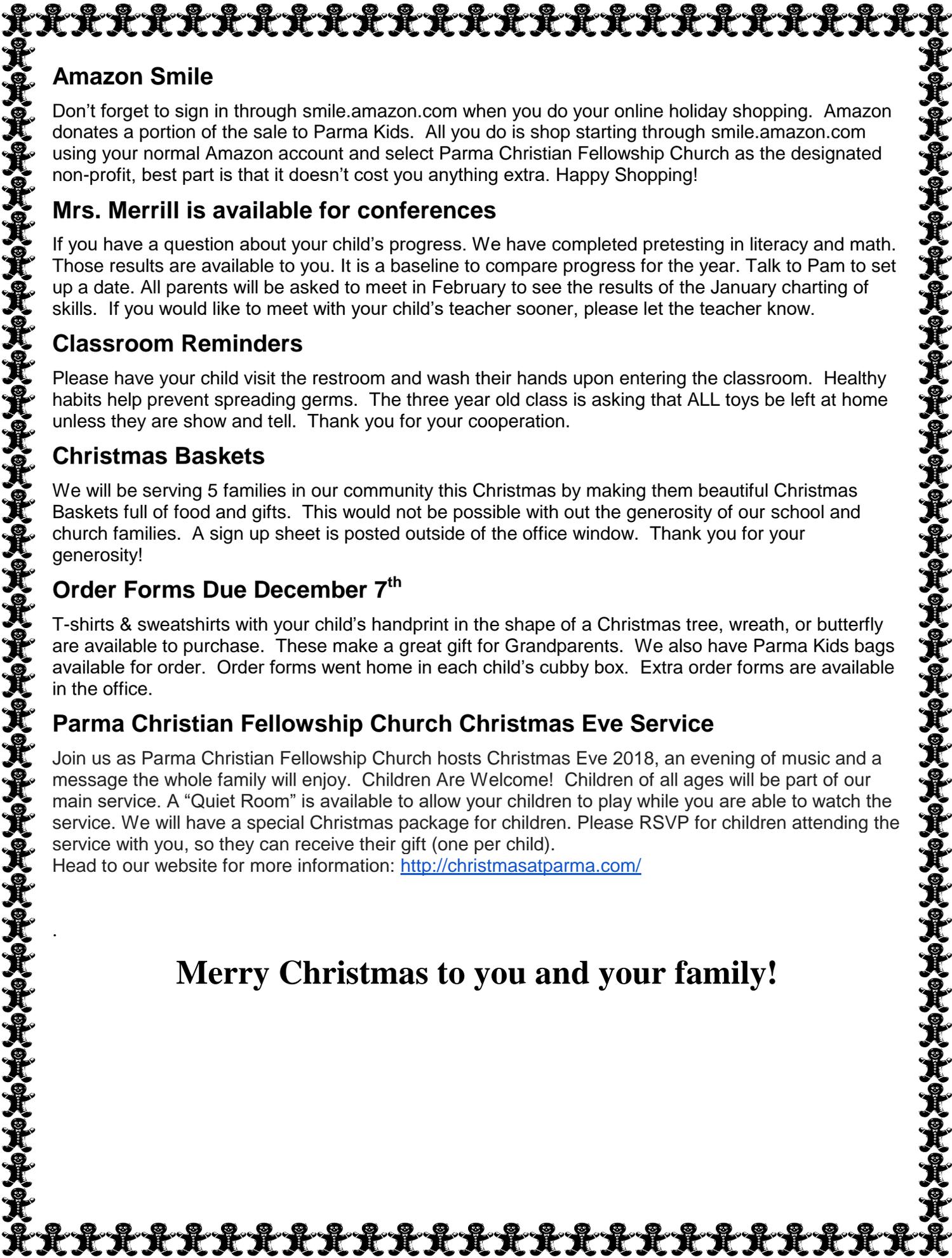
Please be sure to sign up for a healthy snack for your child's classroom. There are some healthy snack ideas posted near the snack sign up outside each classroom. Please remember snacks cannot be homemade and must be tree nut and peanut free.

Preschool Closed for Holiday Break – Day Care is available

Preschool will be closed December 24th – January 1st. Regular Preschool classes will resume January 2nd. See you in the New Year! Day Care will be offered during break. **Parma Kids will be closed Dec.24th, 25th, & Jan. 1st over Christmas break.** Please let your child's teacher or Caryn know what days your child will be here as soon as possible. We would like to make sure each staff member can spend a little extra time with family over the holidays. Thank you!

Speech Concerns

"How do I know if my child needs speech?" If you have concerns about your child's speech, you can start by talking to his or her teacher. As a general rule for 3 year olds, you should be able to understand about 80% of speech, they should be able to follow 2 step directions, can take turns (with encouragement). As a general rule for 4 year olds, you should be able to understand 95% of speech, they should be able to sing familiar songs, and engage in play with others. We strongly encourage you to have your child tested if you are concerned about their speech. Speech concerns addressed early are corrected faster and have less long-term effects on learning and frustration in social situations. Screenings are free and can be arranged through Hilton School District for children three and four years old. Children under three are evaluated by Monroe County Early Intervention



Amazon Smile

Don't forget to sign in through smile.amazon.com when you do your online holiday shopping. Amazon donates a portion of the sale to Parma Kids. All you do is shop starting through smile.amazon.com using your normal Amazon account and select Parma Christian Fellowship Church as the designated non-profit, best part is that it doesn't cost you anything extra. Happy Shopping!

Mrs. Merrill is available for conferences

If you have a question about your child's progress. We have completed pretesting in literacy and math. Those results are available to you. It is a baseline to compare progress for the year. Talk to Pam to set up a date. All parents will be asked to meet in February to see the results of the January charting of skills. If you would like to meet with your child's teacher sooner, please let the teacher know.

Classroom Reminders

Please have your child visit the restroom and wash their hands upon entering the classroom. Healthy habits help prevent spreading germs. The three year old class is asking that ALL toys be left at home unless they are show and tell. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Baskets

We will be serving 5 families in our community this Christmas by making them beautiful Christmas Baskets full of food and gifts. This would not be possible with out the generosity of our school and church families. A sign up sheet is posted outside of the office window. Thank you for your generosity!

Order Forms Due December 7th

T-shirts & sweatshirts with your child's handprint in the shape of a Christmas tree, wreath, or butterfly are available to purchase. These make a great gift for Grandparents. We also have Parma Kids bags available for order. Order forms went home in each child's cubby box. Extra order forms are available in the office.

Parma Christian Fellowship Church Christmas Eve Service

Join us as Parma Christian Fellowship Church hosts Christmas Eve 2018, an evening of music and a message the whole family will enjoy. Children Are Welcome! Children of all ages will be part of our main service. A "Quiet Room" is available to allow your children to play while you are able to watch the service. We will have a special Christmas package for children. Please RSVP for children attending the service with you, so they can receive their gift (one per child).

Head to our website for more information: <http://christmasatparma.com/>

Merry Christmas to you and your family!