

# DECEMBER

## 2022 NEWSLETTER



**IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR (and the year is just about ending).**

We welcome the last month of this eventful year, and the days are wet, cold and still a fun time to learn and discover.

Thank you for your continuing support, as we premiered our first Family Heritage Project for our new students during our last Show and Tell Friday. We discovered fascinating insights and learned more about our friend who shared with confidence and resoluteness his family heritage. We look forward to our other Kinder wizards making their debut on our Circle Time. Their success is always due to your unwavering support.

Our Parent/Teacher Conferences also went live, a bright and welcome change from the past several years (the Zoom meetings had a number of technical glitches during the pandemic). It's wonderful to meet with you face-to-face to discuss the growth and progress of your child!

We are very excited about the return of an in-person **Winter Festival Performance** this month, featuring all of our Elementary and Primary students! Dress for our performance will be anything red, white, and/or green. Our performance will be Friday morning, **December 16 at 10 am**, with our final rehearsal on the morning of Thursday, December 15. **NVM will close at noon on that Friday, 12/16.** Get ready for a warm and wonderful experience as we mark a return to our favorite performance venue, the Open Door Christian Church, which has a wide stage with great acoustics. It is located just on the other side of our school's fence. We have prepared surprises for all of you, and we expect everyone to have a great time at our family celebration, a special event for NVM to remember, that happens just before Winter officially begins.

We continue our lessons, we practice, and we explore worlds of wonder with our friends. Of course, we all look forward to our Winter Break, however cold that might be weather-wise.

We wish you and all of your family the best of the Season, looking forward to 2023.

May your days (and nights) be Merry and Bright.  
Maligayang Pasko po. Peace on Earth.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, December 16 — Winter Festival Performance at  
Open Door Christian Church/Noon Dismissal  
Thursday, December 22 — Noon Dismissal (Winter Break begins)  
December 23-January 2 — Winter Break  
January 3 — School Resumes



### **LANGUAGE, PHONICS, READING, SPELLING AND HANDWRITING**

Continuing review and mastery of Upper Case and Lower Case Letters  
Use of capitals, correct punctuation marks  
Continuing short, long vowel sounds  
Introduction to Poetry Themes: Season of Giving, Peace on Earth and Mankind  
Continuing Cursive Handwriting, Integrating Handwriting to Art Design  
Letter Mastery, Introduction of Beginning Sounds  
Creative Writing for Themes of the Season integrated to Music: I Am But A Small Voice

### **MATH**

Continuing HUNDRED, Correct Use of Numerals  
Beginning, Continuing, Mastery, Writing of Numbers to 50, 100, 1000  
Counting Singles as 1s, 2s, 4s, 5s, 10s  
Introduction, Continuing, Mastery, BASIC Operations, Addition, Subtraction  
Multiplication Practice and Exercises  
Geometric Shapes (Integrated to Science, Art, Language)  
Mastery of Place Values (Tens, Hundredths), Introduction to Thousandths

### **SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES**

Continuing Astronomy, Planet Facts, The Solar System  
The Seasons of the Year (Focus on Winter)  
AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL (Integrated to Music, Language Arts, Creative Arts),  
The Majesty of Our Home and Country

### **MUSIC, CREATIVE ARTS**

THE ORCHESTRA: Introduction to Musical Instruments and Musical Families  
(Strings, Percussion, Brass, Woodwinds)  
The Scale: DO RE MI  
BIRDS OF THE SEASON: Creative Artworks  
HOLIDAY CARD MAKING  
Dance and Rhythm: Aerobics, Yoga Exercises, Meditative and Active Movements  
(Music of the Seasons, Music of Generations, Musicals) I AM BUT A SMALL VOICE  
Introduction to Grayscaleing

