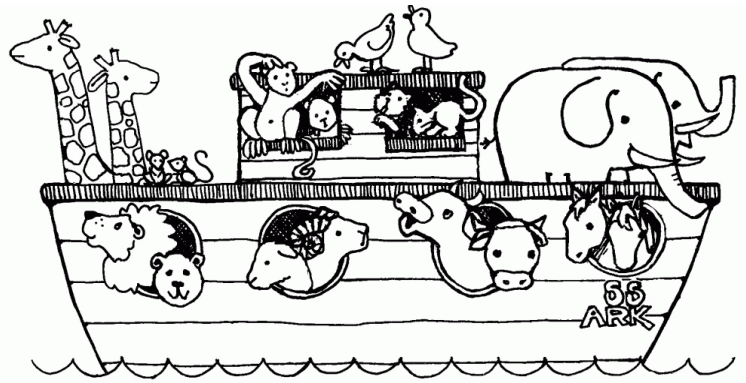

Around the Ark



The Warmth of Winter

The time of year is upon us when we are spending more time inside, giving us the opportunity to expand upon houses, homes and hibernation. Snow bunnies are turning white for the winter to camouflage themselves in the snow. Birds are flying south and families are snuggling with thankful hearts. This month we also focus some attention toward Native American tribes was important to the survival of the European settlers in the New World. Oh, and by the way, did you know the Native American word for corn is "maize"? Native grains, textures and flavors can be used as science in action while we explore and learn about our 5 senses. Fresh bread is baking in the oven, popcorn is popping over an open fire and animals are gathering food for the winter. Our theme for November

will encourage the children to look at the world around them by careful observation of human and animal preparation for the winter months.

Letters: G, H and I

Numbers: 6 and 7

Shape: Square

Colors: Brown and Camouflage

Concepts: Over-Under-Through, Open-Close, In-out, Front-Back

Self Awareness: My Home. I am Thankful

Science: Hibernation, Habitats

Country: America/ Native Americans



"Noah's News is Good News"

November 2019

Special points of interest:

- ☺ Noah's Ark will be closed on Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th
- ☺ Elementary schools are closed Wednesday, November 27th. We will have forms out soon if you need extra time
- ☺ Parent Appreciation Week will be November 11th-15th
- ☺ Please make sure to LABEL all of your child's belongings
- ☺ Mark your calendars, our First Noah's Ark Christmas Movie Night is December 11th
- ☺ Gingerbread house making with St. Paul's Church, Sunday, December 12:00-1:00pm. Bring a bag of candy to share!

A Few Reminders

- The Pre-K part of the children's' day start at 8:45am and goes until 4:30pm.
- Please call when your child will not be attending. It helps us to keep track of the children as well as illnesses.
- Backpacks are necessary for kindergarten and school-age children ONLY. We do not have room for preschoolers to have them.
- If your child is transported, PLEASE call us and tell us if there is a daily cancellation. If we know in advance there are days when transportation is not necessary.

Fun Fridays!

November Fun Fridays:

- 11/1 -Goodnight, Mr. Bear!
- 11/8-It's National Cook Something Bold Day
- 11/15-We are Thankful for Our Families
- 11/22-Hooray for Pumpkin Pie!
- 11/29 -Closed Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!



Help Us Give this Holiday Season

During the holiday months it is important to give back.. This year we have two ways you can help to warm hearts by giving. This month we will be collecting canned foods and nonperishable items to donate to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. There will be a red bin in the front of the Ark, close to the kiosk. It is a fun way for the children to see the bin fill with food we want to share with others.

During the month of December we are excited to help with St. Paul's in making Senior Christmas Bags. You will see bags out at the beginning of the month with an attached list of items each senior would like. Fill the bag and bring it back to the Ark. What a wonderful thing to do for local seniors. The children will also make cards during their group times to add to the bags:)

Merry Christmas to All and to All a Movie Night!

Santa Claus is coming to the Ark!

We know it is still a bit early to be talking about Christmas, but we are SO excited about our upcoming Family Christmas Cinema & Sugar Night! Wednesday, December 11th. Doors open at 6:15 and the movie, How the Grinch Stole Christmas will start at 6:45. Children may not stay at the Ark after we close at 6:00 as we will be busy getting ready for the festivities! Wear your pajamas and bring a blanket for your family to curl up on. We will have festive treats, along with apple cider and hot cocoa! After the movie, we will

Make a Gingerbread House!



**GINGERBREAD HOUSE
PLAYDATE
WITH ST. PAUL'S CHURCH
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST
12:00-1:00 pm**

Let's ring in the season with fun
(& candy!)

Children will get their own little
gingerbread house to decorate!

Icing provided.

Bring a box or bag of something to
share to decorate the houses with
(i.e. cereal, hard candy, pretzels, etc.)
Please come and join in this tradition!

even have a visit from Santa, so have your cameras ready! Everyone is welcome! Our Scholastic Book Fair will also be open that night as well, so you will have time if you would like to take a peek! We are looking forward to new tradition here at the Ark!



What Happens at the Ark When it Snows?



It is hard to be thinking about snow when the leaves are still falling off of the trees and we've only just begun to wear our warm clothes, but, you never know. This is Nevada!

In the event of snow, here are our protocols:

-If the Washoe County schools have a delayed start, Noah's Ark will open at our regular time of 7:00am. School-age children are welcome to come on these delayed start days and we will make sure they get to school at the later time.

-When Washoe County schools close due to snow, Noah's Ark is also closed. Radio stations and TV stations are notified around 6:00am to make the announcement for the Ark. Parents will also be notified by Sentext. Reminder, tuition is still charged for snow days.

-If we have snow and the Washoe County schools are on normally scheduled times, make sure to bundle your little up, so they're ready to play in the snow!

See Tiff or Elizabeth with any questions and make sure you're signed up for Sentext!