



# ST. EDMUND'S NURSERY SCHOOL NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2018



**“Trust the children and never let your confidence in them be easily shaken.”**

*Cornelia Connelly*

November is a month of Thanksgiving for our family and friends. As the color of nature changes - we change our theme from “Ourselves” to “Our Family.” We will study the beauty of Thanksgiving and how we are grateful and thankful for all the blessings we have in our homes, neighborhood, church and this great nation. We will also learn about the wonderful heritage and traditions of the Native Americans. SENS Board and Staff wish you a very happy Thanksgiving! We are so thankful for each and every family who give so freely of their time and talents to make SENS an awesome school.

***BROWN #3 SQUARE CONCEPT: New and Old  
CHRISTIAN QUALITY: Thankfulness  
BIBLE VERSE: Always Give Thanks- Col. 3:15***

## **IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER:**

Now through Dec. 14 -	We will be collecting gift cards for Hillsides – A collection basket will be at the gate
Thursday, Nov. 1 -	Spirit Days – Wear your SENS t-shirts!
Friday, Nov. 2 -	Spirit Days – Wear your SENS t-shirts!
Thursday & Friday, Nov. 1 & 2 -	Disaster drills at 10:30 a.m.
Monday, Nov. 5 -	Chapel with Reverend Heather - MWF and 5 Day Children- <b>10:10 am</b>
Tuesday, Nov. 6 -	Chapel with Reverend Heather - T/Th and Pre-K Children- <b>10:10 am</b>
Wednesday, Nov. 7 -	Puppet Show: Little Bear’s Thanksgiving 11:20/Music Room MWF and 5 Day
Thursday, Nov. 8 -	Puppet Show: Little Bear’s Thanksgiving 11:20/Music Room T/Th and Pre-K Children
Monday, Nov. 12 -	Veteran’s Day Holiday – <b><u>No School</u></b>
Thursday, Nov. 15 -	Thanksgiving Celebration – 11:00 am, Fellow’s Hall <b><u>T/TH and Pre-K</u></b>
Friday, Nov. 16 -	Thanksgiving Celebration - 11:00 am, Fellow’s Hall <b><u>MWF and 5 Day</u></b>
Mon. - Fri., Nov. 19 - 23 -	Thanksgiving Holiday - <b><u>No School</u></b>
Tuesday, Nov. 27 -	Pre-K Conferences (Information to come)
Wednesday, Nov. 28 -	Old 4’s Conferences (Information to come)
Thursday, Nov. 29 -	5 Day Conferences (Information to come)
Friday, Nov. 30 -	Healing Hearts Across Borders
<b>Friday, Dec. 7 -</b>	<b>Scrip Orders Due!</b>

### **Newsworthy Items:**

1. Remember to keep your children at home when not feeling well or symptoms persist. Please call the school, 792-7742, to let us know why your child is absent so that we may monitor communicable diseases.
2. As we approach cooler weather, please do not send your children with umbrellas on rainy days. We will keep your children dry and the umbrellas can sometimes become more of a distraction. Please have your child's name on all of their sweaters and jackets.

### **Thank You:**

- The **FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL** was amazing! We had a great turnout and everyone had an awesome time! A big thank you to **Sandra Nee, Ashley Stinson Harrison and Karleen Yniguez** for creating and organizing such a great afternoon for our children and their families! The dinner was excellent and everything was so much fun for our children. It is also especially fun to see our alumni and "recent graduates" return for a visit! Thank you to all those many hands that helped put this event together, wrapping baked goods, setting up, cleaning up and everything else that went into this afternoon! This was a huge undertaking and we all greatly appreciate their effort. Thank you!
- Thank you to **Karina Bland and Audrey McCarthy** for Chairing **Mrs. Nelson's Book Fair!** So much work went into planning all the special activities and we all appreciated it! Thank you to all those that volunteered to work this event. The families, children and Staff here at SENS so enjoyed browsing the fair and finding such wonderful assortments of books to choose from.

### **Picnic Reminders:**

Thursday and Friday, **Nov. 15 and 16 – NO PICNIC** due to the Thanksgiving celebrations.

### **Parking Lot:**

Thank you all for being extra cautious in the north parking lot in the morning. Please continue to observe the yellow feet along the west wall when standing in line with your child. Also, thank you for observing all reserved parking spots. Please continue to **exit the parking lot after dropping off your children through the south driveway. The alternate driveway is an entrance only.** Thank you for your continued cooperation and helping us to keep everyone safe!

### **Community Donations – Hillsides / Door of Hope**

We are all so fortunate to be a part of the SENS family and this wonderful community. It would be so nice to continue our support for a charitable organization during the holiday season and we are extending an opportunity to do so if you are interested. We would like to assist in the Hillsides Emancipated Minor Program which helps young adults, 18 years of age, to make their way into society.

In addition, SENS Staff and Teachers are participating in the Door of Hope Christmas Giving Campaign. We sponsor families and provide gifts from their wish list. If you are interested in helping with this program please see Liz or Angela.

Through our Scrip program you can easily purchase supermarket gift cards, CVS cards, Target or Walmart cards (any denomination is welcome) to be collected at the gate for donation to Hillsides or Door of Hope.

**Great opportunity to purchase Scrip and support SENS as well!** We will be taking donations now through Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> for Hillsides.

# November

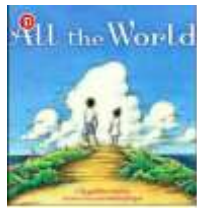
# Thankfulness

November is the month for Thankfulness. Being thankful and appreciative, even for the small things we experience in everyday life, is an essential skill for everyone – young and old – to foster and develop! Gratitude promotes optimism and helps us to develop a more positive outlook on life. It allows us to pause for a moment to reflect on something we have in our life right now instead of always striving for more. Let's take the time this month to cultivate a genuine appreciation for what we already have and impart on our little ones the importance of being grateful!

“Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings.” – William Arthur Ward

“I don't have to chase extraordinary moments to find happiness- it's right in front of me if I'm paying attention and practicing gratitude.” – Brene Brown

## Recommended Reading for Children



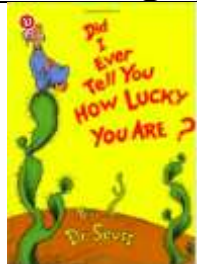
### All the World.

Following a circle of family and friends through the course of a day from morning till night, this book affirms the importance of all things great and small.

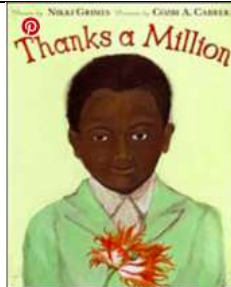


### An Awesome

Book of Thanks. This book conveys, in pictures and simple yet beautiful language, all the ways one can be thankful.



Did I Ever Tell You How Lucky You Are? Gratitude for what you have.



### Thanks a Million.

Poems on being thankful.