



Dear Parents,

November, 2014

Thank you Parents and Grandparents for helping out and attending our Fall Festival Party. You and the children all seemed to have a wonderful time. PDO will be closed on November 26 for Thanksgiving. Monday, November 24 starting at 11:30, is our annual **Stone Soup Lunch**. We will read the story about stone soup at 9:30 and add the ingredients as we read. The soup will cook all morning and every parent is invited to attend the lunch. (Grandparents are invited as well.) Please try to have at least one family member in attendance. The children look around and are disappointed that they are sitting alone with only their teacher. *Every child in PDO is invited to come and stay the entire day even if Monday is not their regular day.*

We are continuing the Bible Story about Joseph this month. Joseph has become a “leader” in the land of Egypt. He is in charge of ALL the food. Soon, he will see his brothers and his father again after a very long time. Joseph has listened to God and will forgive his brothers. He will also thank God for placing him in Egypt. We are learning to thank God for all that He does for us even if we don't understand God's plan.

In September we collected clothes for the FBC Clothes Closet. PDO collected 10 bags of clothes. THANK YOU so much for your generosity! If you would like to participate in Operation Christmas Child, you are more than welcome to pick up a shoebox in front of the Library. There are pamphlets on the table.

The upcoming holidays can be a wonderful time for memory making, but they can also be stressful. Help your child feel less stress by keeping your routine as normal as possible. When you must deviate, try to limit the number of changes. Also, take time to do something quiet with your child. You can read a book, sit and watch the leaves blow by, or just rock together. These are memories too!

Pray with your child. You can do this by praying for the people you see or even for the beauty of the fall leaves. We are to *pray without ceasing*, but it is a habit we learn from an early age and one we can improve upon at any time.

May God bless you and yours,

Your PDO family