

# PARENT'S PDO DAY OUT

Dear Parents,

November 2016

Thank you Parents and Grandparents for helping and attending our Fall Festival Party. You and the children all seemed to have a wonderful time.

PDO will be closed on November 23, for Thanksgiving. On Monday, November 21, starting at 11:30 a.m., is our annual **Stone Soup Lunch**. We will read the story about stone soup at 9:30 a.m., 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 just a teacher. *Every child in PDO is invited to come and stay the entire day even if Monday is not a 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. He is going to see his brothers and his father again after a very long time. Joseph has listened to God and will forgive his brothers and 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.

We at FBC would like to invite your family to do a “shoebox.” You are more than welcome to pick them up in front of the library or use your own shoebox. There are pamphlets on the table.

This year PDO has the opportunity to work together with the Norman Public Schools and the Marine Corps to share with other children. A Toys for Tots box will be in the hallway for you and your child to drop a **new unwrapped toy**. These toys will be pick up by a Marine in December.

The upcoming Holiday's 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 do have to deviate, try to limit the number of changes. Also, take time, to do something quiet with your child, 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, an ambulance that passes by 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 on at anytime.

May God bless you and yours,

Your PDO family