

## NOVEMBER

## IMPORTANT DATES

- November 8<sup>th</sup>: Brooks Center field trip --4 year old classes
- November 20th and 21st: Thanksgiving feasts
- November 22<sup>nd</sup>-24th: No school Thanksgiving break
- November 29th: Owl Snow houses

## Staff Bios of the Month:

Kelly McRoberts -- I have been the two day two year old teacher at Fort Hill for 12 years, starting after my youngest child finished this great program. I'm a local girl that returned home from Charleston, where I completed degrees in Elementary and Early Childhood Education and where I taught public school for 3 years while my husband John was finishing dental school. I've been married for 21 years and have two children, AJ (16) and Peyton (14), both of whom attend Seneca High School. As a long term teacher here, I have witnessed the evolution of the program and am still excited to be a part. I attend Trinity Baptist Church, where I also teach preschool choir. If you have had other children in my class, then you know how much I love the little children and am blessed to be able to be one of their "first teachers."

Amy Worley--This is my seventh year working at Fort Hill Presbyterian Preschool in the two year old classroom. I am an assistant with the talented lead teacher, Kelly McRoberts. My husband, Mike Worley, and I have been married for sixteen years. We have three wonderful daughters, Caila (13), Emma (11), and Savannah (9). They were all taught and nurtured here at FHPS. We have also been members of this church for 11 years. I love my job! It is a blessing to work with children, they have taught me more than I have taught them. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

We had an exciting October with field trips, fall break, and lots of fall crafts. I am looking forward to reflecting on all we have to be thankful for during this season. We are blessed and thankful for every child that we get an opportunity to minister to at Fort Hill Preschool. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

## NEWS

- Remember to send a jacket with your child each day. We go out on the playground unless it is raining or below freezing.
- Our Christmas program is December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 AM in the church sanctuary. ALL children should be in their classrooms by 8:45-9:00. Parents may proceed to the sanctuary to be seated. After a short program of Christmas carols and the retelling of the Christmas story, we will proceed to Tartan Hall for refreshments. The entire event lasts about an hour and you may take your child home with you when you leave. This will be the last day of school before Christmas break.
- Thanks to all who participated in our ornament fundraiser. We raised \$428.00. We will use this money to buy a new table for our 4 year old classes to use for special projects. The remainder will be donated to the Hazel Sparks Scholarship Fund.
- The preschool is participating in a voluntary food drive to benefit Clemson Community Care. Collection bags will be sent home next week. Bags will be picked up around November 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Our Thanksgiving Feasts are planned for November 20<sup>th</sup> (Whales and 3-day Honeybees), and November 21<sup>st</sup> (Owls, 2-day honeybees, Turtles). Please look for more information to come from your child's teacher/parent coordinator. This is a great time for the children to fellowship around the table with each other.
- Our tradition of Snow houses for the 4 year old classes will be November 29<sup>th</sup> for the Owls and December 1st for the Whales. Please do not bring siblings to this event as this is a special event for you and your 4 year old.
- $\blacktriangleright$  Scholastic book orders can be done online. The preschool code is

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Tuition is <u>due by the  $5^{th}$  of the month.</u> Payments can be dropped off in the little red school house located outside the director's office.