# Look at What We are Learning!!!

The Fish Room December Newsletter Mrs. Kowalski & Mrs. Herrold



## Advent Calendar

We have been counting down the days until Jesus' birthday with our Advent calendar. During this special time of year, we learn that Advent is the time when we get ready to celebrate Jesus' birthday on Christmas. Every day we take a different object out of a numbered pocket. After discussing the significance of the object, we add it to a nativity scene calendar.

## Christmas Projects

We have been very busy decorating our room for Christmas with trees, angels, and stars. We have also been making Christmas ornaments and gifts for our parents! The children can't wait to share their Christmas presents with you!!

#### Christmas Program

The children worked very hard on learning the songs for this year's Christmas Program service. We practiced our songs every day and went to the church to practice with the other classes. They were very excited to share their many songs with you and we were so PROUD of the job they did! Thank you for coming this special day!!



## Dramatic Play Center

Here are a few things we are learning while playing in the pretend center:

- provide opportunities to role play experiences
- increase social development & communication skills
- develop small & large muscle coordination
- develop self-awareness and better understanding of the immediate environment

## Nativity Story

The Christmas story has come to life in our classroom as we have transformed our pretend center into a stable! The children are learning the lines from the story and enjoy playing all the different roles. They are able to dress up as a shepherd, an angel, the inn keeper, Mary, or Joseph. The children have truly embraced the story through this experience.

### Reminders

There will be no school December 23<sup>rd</sup> thru January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Zion will be OPEN for Winter Break Camp on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> from 9am-12pm. Please call or email the school to RSVP. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!