

SEND THE PARTY HOME

Take an opportunity to send the party home and set up parents for success as they talk with their kids about the true meaning of Christmas.

WHAT YOU DO:

1. Purchase cake mix, frosting, sprinkles, and candles for each child/family.
2. Print and cut the Parent Note and the Hang Tag.
3. Put the cake supplies and Parent Note in a fun, festive bag.
4. Punch a hole in the top of the Hang Tag and attach with ribbon or raffia to the gift bag handle.
5. Send the Party Bag home with the children on December 15th.

Cake Mix and Frosting

Determine if you are doing one cake for each child or each family. Go to your local discount store (i.e., Walmart) to see if they will give you a deal, plus they can order them in bulk for you. If possible, get the Funfetti® cake mix. It just looks so much more fun!

Sprinkles

Every good birthday cake has sprinkles! You might need to shop around a little bit and check online to find the best deal.

Candles

If budget allows, add some birthday candles. Everyone will love singing Happy Birthday to Jesus and blowing out His birthday candles for Him.

Bag

Decide how you are going to package the cake mix, frosting, sprinkles, and candles. You can find inexpensive red and green bags, or you can get more elaborate "Happy Birthday" Party Bags.

Parent Note and Hang Tag

Use the Parent Note that we've designed for you! Copy them and then cut them in half. Alternately, you could take the files to a printer and have them do the hard work. Make sure you have one note for each child. In addition, print the Hang Tags and cut apart.

Hole Punch

Punch a hole in the Hang Tags so that you can attach them to the outside of each bag.

Ribbon

You can use curling ribbon or raffia to tie the Hang Tags to the outside of the bags. You can add a child or family's name to the bag if you wish.

On the morning of December 15th, make the Party Bags available for each child or family. You could place them with that week's art outside the classroom, or you could have volunteers distributing them as families leave your environment.

We have provided an additional Parent Note that you can send home without the "Party Bag." This card instructs parents to make a birthday cake for Jesus at home, but does not indicate that you are providing the supplies.

