

Preschool News for March 2016

Dear Parents,

Each class has been affected this month by the flu, virus, cold, earaches, strep throat, and other illnesses, but the warm weather that March promises us always brings an end to these problems. In the meantime, please watch your child carefully each morning. If he or she shows any sort of contagion (fever, for example), please let him or her rest at home. Only by leaving the germs at home can we eliminate it from the classroom. We are taking extra precautions to keep things washed down with Clorox wipes, washing hands, using Kleenex, and teaching the children to cover their mouths with their arms when they cough.

Scholastic Book Order

Our Scholastic Book Order is due Thursday, **March 10**. The flyers are being sent home with this letter.

Preschool Enrollment

We are very pleased to see that so many of our two and three year olds will be back next year. We have only a few remaining openings, so please send your enrollment in soon if you plan to send your child to us again next year. Thank you for your support and goodwill among the community. So many of the incoming new parents have mentioned that parents of our children have recommended our school to them.

March Curriculum

The curriculum this month is revolved around the themes of "Transportation" and "Community Helpers". Teachers will also be emphasizing the concepts of Opposites, Following Directions, and Patience. We will also spend some time teaching the children about Poison Control. With the arrival

of spring this month, the change of seasons is being readdressed. The Kindermusic themes this month are "Up in the Sky" and "Down on the Ground". In addition, the children will be learning about "Faithfulness" in chapel. Our Bible verse is Proverbs 3:3, "Let love and faithfulness never leave you". The Easter story will also be told through the use of Resurrection Eggs which tell the story in twelve parts.

Easter Celebration

We are asking you to decorate a hat for your child to wear at our Easter Hat Parade on **March 24**. Each child looks so cute and each hat is so different. If you need materials to help you in the decorations for the hat, let your child's teacher know and she can help you. They will parade in the sanctuary on Thursday, **March 24**, at 10:30. They have a couple of songs to sing for you and then there will be our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Each age group will be in a different part of the church yard. Remember that the school will be closed the following week, **March 28-31**, for Easter vacation.

Easter Egg Collection

We are asking parents to send in a dozen plastic Easter eggs and/or small bag of candy that we can add to the eggs before the Easter Egg Hunt. We appreciate any help that you can give in this regard.

VFW Program

On **Thursday, March 3**, members of the VFW will be guests at our school and will address the purpose of our country's flag and how we can do our part in being a good American.

Donuts for Dads

Dads, don't forget **Thursday, March 17 at 9:00**. This is a

special time for Dads to come to school with their children for about an hour so that we can pay homage to you and the important role you play in your child's life. If Dad cannot attend, we always welcome Granddads, uncles, moms, or other influential people in your child's world.

Important Dates

March Special Events – Dr. Seuss's Birthday – March 2

VFW Presentation – March 3

Scholastic Book Order due – March 10

St. Patrick's Day – March 17

Donuts for Dads – March 17 – 9:00

First day of spring – March 20

Easter Hat Parade/Easter Hunt – March 24

Easter Vacation – March 28 – 31

Our students are showing progress at an increasing speed. They can now do so many things that they could not do earlier in the school year. They are coming to circle time more and more eager to share and learn. You have extraordinary children with so much enthusiasm to share with us every day. Thank you for sharing them with us a few hours each week.

Sincerely,

Donna Russell

Cathy Milstead

Jennifer Gerrald

Sherry Marshall

Jean Francis

Sarah Beauvais