

St. John Pre-Kindergarten Newsletter

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January 20 - January 22, 2010
Week Eighteen



Heart To Heart Teaching and Reaching For Jesus

Gathering Time:

- ♥ Theme: Exploring Arctic and Antarctica Animals and their homes

This week we will:

- ♥ Continue exploring the North and South Pole regions and it's animals, wintry terrain, weather, and the like....

Jesus Time:

Theme: Jesus Grows as a Child

- ♥ Luke 2:40, 52

Theme: The Boy Jesus at the Temple

- ♥ Luke 2: 41 - 52

During our time together we will talk about:

- ♥ How Jesus grew as a child and He grew in wisdom (knowledge and understanding), stature (physical growth), and in favor with God (spiritual growth) and men (social growth).

Science Center:

Theme: Snow and Ice

- ♥ This week our children will continue to experiment with ice water, using "blubber", ice, and snow if possible.

Math Center:

This week our children will continue to:

- ♥ Work in small group settings on a variety of assorted math centers around the room.
- ♥ Identify yesterday, today and tomorrow while doing the daily calendar.
- ♥ Working on months of the year as well as continue to work on days of the week.

Music and Movement

This week our children will enjoy:

- ♥ Music with hula hoops and musical carpets.

Upcoming Dates

- ◆ Next chapel - January 21st and 22nd
Offerings: Pennies for Africa
- ◆ No School -
January 18th (Martin Luther King Day)
January 19th - (inservice training for all PS - 8th grade teachers) Please note this date is not a day off on the Preschool calendar. Please forgive the error!

Prayer for our year

Almighty God, heavenly Father you have blessed us with the joy and care of your children. As we work with these precious children, give us calm strength and patient wisdom that we may teach them with joy and in love, following the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Language Arts Time



Due to the short week, our children will:

- ♥ Read a variety of books together with Mrs. Gaede on the theme of the week.
- ♥ Always work on the proper holding of writing tools and the printing of their names.

Language Arts Cont....

- ♥ Work on the letters of the alphabet we have learned in the past months using our alphabet boards and wipe off slates in small groups.
- ♥ Continue practicing writing their names and letters legibly.

“Jesus loves the little children.”

Notes & News & More....

A quick few notes:

- ♥ When your child is sick or will miss school, please call 630.668.0701 touch *** 519** and leave me, Mrs. Gaede the message. I will call it in to the school office with the preschool absentee count. Thanks so much.
- ♥ There is no school on Monday, January 18th - Martin Luther King Day.
- ♥ Calendar change - There is No School on Tuesday, January 19th for an all staff PS - 8th grade in-service training. Please make note of these 2 days off in mid-January. Thank you.
- ♥ February 12th - Valentine’s Day parties for our classes. More information to come.
- ♥ February 11 - 14 is our annual St. John Lutheran Girl’s and Boy’s Invitational Basketball Tournament. It is an amazing time in our K-8 school gym. All of our Pre-K children and their families are invited to attend that weekend. I believe our teams play already Thursday afternoon of the tournament event. I will have schedules available and ready for hand out hopefully next week. So mark your calendars now and plan on joining the fun!! Cheering on our very own Wheaton Eagles is the best part!

January Birthdays;

AM Class: We will celebrate Matt Kohl - January 14

January Chapel Schedule:

Thursday, January 21st at 8:45am/ Friday, January 22nd at 12:45 pm (Our offering will be: Pennies for Africa)