

NEWSLETTER

ASSUMPTION PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN

This week's News ~ October 2-6, 2023

Preschool:

- **Tuesday**, we started our learning about farms and farm animals. We sang Old MacDonald, we created a barn and drew a farm animal, we moved and danced to farms songs, and we listened to a farm story, and a Duck on a Bike story.
- Our partner play was free choice today. One partner was to choose an activity and the partners worked it together, then the other partner chose. (Taking turns, learning to get along with another, one can't always be the chooser, or one can't always be first.) A lot of lessons from one activity!
- We talked about appreciation by imagining a rainbow, how beautiful but it fades in Monkey Mind imagining cards.
- **Thursday**, we talked about scarecrows on the farm. We wrote a list of what we know about scarecrows, moved to rhymes and read stories. We created scarecrows by gluing shapes and drawing faces.
- We moved and counted to 5 Little Monkeys.
- We practiced saying the ABC's and counting 1-10.
- We were thankful for our blessings at Chapel time

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Prekindergarten:

- **Monday**, we started learning about fire safety, talking about the fire truck, firemen and we practiced dialing 9-1-1 on our emergency play phone. We read and looked at a pop-up book teaching about Firemen.
- We have music on Mondays with Ms. Varon. We had fun working on participating in fingerplays, listening to directions, listening for high/low pitch, and keeping time.
- We looked for Holy items in our classroom and glued pictures of them onto a page. We identified and matched upper-case letters. We also traced different style lines with pencils.
- We learned how to "calm the chaos" through Monkey Mind calming activity. We also painted stamps and created stamp paintings.

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- **Wednesday**, we talked about how God created the world. We sang a song about Creation and started illustrating a Creation book.
- We practiced writing D,d and we finished tracing different shaped lines.
- We talked about why we have fire drills, then we practiced for one.
- We read a book “The Good Egg” and practiced how to welcome, say good bye and “high-five” in our social emotional lessons.
- It was our Early Release Wednesday.
- **Friday**, we talked about what we see in the fall. We sang and moved to fall songs and read fall books.
- We finished days 4,5 & 6 in our Creation book, so we could take it home. We also sang “God Created...” song.
- In Seeds religion, we learned how God wants us to grow and how the Holy Bible teaches us how God created the world.
- We met and read with our fourth-grade buddies today.
- We listened to a story and checked out books in the library with Mrs. Kim.

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- **Please remember, every Wednesday is an early release day at 2:00 p.m.**
- **One of our many goals is to teach independence to your child. We ask them to attempt all self-care (wiping after toilet, putting on shoes, putting on jackets, carrying their bags, hanging up their backpacks and coats, etc.) by themselves before helping if needed. We would appreciate if you would support this at home by allowing them to do as much as they can. They will surprise you!**

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Upcoming events in October:

- **Tues., Oct. 10** Picture retakes
- **Wed. Oct. 11** – Casual dress: logo shirt/jeans (not free dress)
- **Visit from Firefighter Gary**
- **Fri., Oct 13th** – No School- Staff Retreat
- **Sat. Oct. 21** – Bellewood Farm invite: 10:00-12:00
- **Fri., Oct. 27** Prek will attend Mass – 8:15 a.m.
- **Sat., Oct. 28** – Trunk or Treat (after 5:00 p.m. mass)
- **Mon., Oct. 30** – Principal's Coffee 8:00 a.m. library
- **Mon., Oct. 30** – Prek children may wear costumes (if they can be played in at recess)
- **Tues., Oct. 31** Preschoolers may wear costumes (if they can be played in at recess)

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