# NEWSLETTER

# ASSUMPTION PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN

### This week's News ~ Mar. 11-15, 2024

#### Preschool:

- **Tuesday,** we learned about Zebras. We read a book about them and then showed what we know with a quiz, which we passed! We counted and drew stripes on 6 zebras.
- We named and matched alphabet letters to snow globe letters. We also used our fine motor skills to string beads.
- We moved like zoo animals and danced to a poem about zoo animals. We read a book about jungle animal habitats and one about a hippopotamus.
- **Thursday**, we continued our Lenten journey with song, prayer, kind act, and marking our path. Our prayer today was for our friends at church and at school. Our kind act was taking our dinner dishes to the sink after eating.
- We talked about giraffes today. We read a book and information about giraffes. We also colored a picture and glued a fence. We did giraffe movement and danced to Animal Action. Mr. Anderson read "Giraffes can't Dance" to us.
- We matched cubes on a card by pattern and color.
- For those who stayed, we used Monkey Mind for a calming exercise after afternoon outside recess and we had afternoon partner play.

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#### **Prekindergarten:**

- Monday, we continued our Lenten journey with song, prayer, kind act, and marking our spot. Our prayer was for those who are suffering from injury or sickness, our kind act is complimenting someone. Many of the children did this throughout the day.
- We talked about heavy downpours/flooding as part of our weather unit. The children had many stories about one or the other.
- At Center Time, we followed up our Three Bears book by drawing the characters. We also practiced stringing beads following a pattern.
- We talked about the letters U,u and how to write it, and we identified pictures beginning with U. We practiced A-L sign language with 3 nouns each. We had book time with partners.

### **KEEP SCROLLING FOR MORE ...**

- Wednesday, we continued on our Lenten journey with song, prayer, kind act, and marking our path. Our prayer was for the hungry and our kind act was saying hello to 5 different people today.
- We read and acted out "The Three Little Pigs". We practiced writing the letters U,u and the number 4.
- Because today was green and white day, in honor of St. Patrick's Day, we might have been visited by a very mischievous leprechaun. When the children came in from outside recess, they found the 2 preschool rooms in total disarray! There were knocked over chairs, toys were strewn around, items misplaced and knocked over trash cans. Such a mess! The children were able to put it all in order in a very quick manner! Some of the children were a little in awe of it all, and some loved it.
- We talked about friendship and how to ask for help with Sam and Andy, the social/emotional puppets we use for role-playing.
- Today was our early release day.
- **Friday**, we continued our Lenten journey with song, prayer, kind act, and marking our way. Our prayer was for people who teach others about God. Our kind act was writing a thank you note to someone.
- Today we learned about St. Patrick and how he was important to the land of Ireland. We talked about the legend of the snakes, and how he was a slave, but his faith grew stronger. We also listened to some St. Patrick's poems, and we moved to the story of "Going on a Leprechaun Hunt". The rascally leprechaun made up for messing up the classroom on Wednesday, by leaving a note and part of his gold hidden, so we could find it.
- We practiced retelling the story of the Three Little Pigs. We colored, cut, and glued 6 pictures in order, then told the story. We also practiced cutting March shapes and gluing them.
- We practiced jumping in PE with Coach Eager. We had 5 jumping stations, "snake", "river", spots, trampoline, and another.
- We listened to a story and checked out books from 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 (toileting, 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 March and April, 2024

- March 29<sup>th</sup> Good Friday, Early Release @ 11:45am
- April 1<sup>st</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup> Spring Break/Easter Break
- April 10<sup>th</sup> Casual Uniform Day
- April 12<sup>th</sup> Tamale Fundraiser Pick Up 3-4pm
- April 16/17<sup>th</sup> Class pictures with dress uniforms/ 8<sup>th</sup> grade has free dress (see guidelines in handbook)
- April 24<sup>th</sup> PTC General Meeting 7pm
- April 26<sup>th</sup> Variety Show 7pm

### PLEASE SEE THE <u>WEDNESDAY NEWSLETTER</u> ON ASSUMPTION SCHOOL WEBPAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE ABOVE.

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