

NEWSLETTER

ASSUMPTION PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN

This week's News ~ April 15-19, 2024

Preschool:

- **Tuesday**, we talked about mother and baby deer: Does and Fawns. We danced the “Deer Pokey” and read a book about a day in the life of a deer. We also counted and drew spots on fawns and colored them.
- We recognized and named letters of the alphabet and decided if the letter was in our name. We also recognized and named numbers 1-6 and decided which age we were.
- We participated in a school-wide fire drill. The preschoolers needed reminders not to cover their ears and to walk quickly, but they were very quiet. Way to go preschoolers. A good idea would be to have an escape plan and a meet-up place with your families. Practicing would assure your children know what to do.
- For those that stay all day, we had another outdoor recess and we practiced calming our bodies by imagining soft snow falling in Monkey Mind.
- **Thursday**, we talked about Rabbits: does and kits. We read a book about where they live and how they make their nests or burrows. We created a “Springtime Bunny” picture by cutting paper grass and using cotton balls with ears. We also colored a “Doe and 2 kits” picture. We recreated Little Bunny Foo Foo using puppets and we danced the Bunny Pokey.
- We sang songs and thanked Jesus for our blessings during classroom Chapel time.
- We had two partner play periods and we played outside twice.

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Prekindergarten:

- **Monday**, we talked about the water cycle of evaporation, condensation, precipitation. We made a water cycle chart, we learned a water cycle song, and we read “Drippy, the Water Drop”.
- We had fun in music class with Ms. Varon. We kept time with clapping, listened for music cues that told us when to balance, sit, lie down, and get up. We also listened to directions and practiced “call backs” by repeating the line when it was our turn.
- We learned about the letter Y,y, identified words that begin with Y and we practiced the sounds all letters make.
- We listened to the story “The Tiny Seed” by Eric Carle.
- For those who stayed the whole day, we had a second recess playing with cars, and we learned that we can notice things if we observe quietly with our eyes and ears, like the owl, during Monkey Mind.

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- **Wednesday**, we talked about the sun. We looked at books and discussed the importance of the sun, how big it is and what it is made of. We sang “Mr. Sun” and we participated in a sun counting rhyme. We also created a “Sun” collage with torn paper.
- We practiced writing letters Y,y and the number 7. We also stated our full names, our parents’ names, and how old we are.
- Today was an early release day.
- **Friday**, we talked about blossoms and how they eventually develop into the fruit of the plant. We created spring blossoms with a flower template and crumpled tissue paper.
- We practiced kindergarten skills using our “basket” activities, which include pattern copying, spelling with magnetic letters, memory with “what’s missing?” game, coloring, sorting and categorizing l-m-s, and letter writing with dry erase.
- The children worked on balloon batting with paddles, and noodle t-ball at PE in the gym with Coach Eager.
- We listened to how Jesus wants us to be Good Shepards at home by helping. We played “charades”, modeling how we can help.
- We listened to a story, colored a picture, and checked out books with Mrs. Kim in the library.

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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 April and May, 2024

- **April 24th** – PTC General Meeting 7pm
- **April 26th** – Prek will attend Mass
- **April 26th** – Variety Show 7pm
- **April 29th** – Teacher Appreciation Week Begins
- **May 1st** – May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mother-8:15am
- **May 2nd** – **FUN RUN DAY**
- **May 3rd**– Mother's Day Baskets pick up after school 3-4pm
- **May 4th** – Mother's Day Baskets 9-10am and Father/Daughter Dance @ 6pm

PLEASE SEE THE WEDNESDAY NEWSLETTER ON ASSUMPTION SCHOOL WEBPAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE ABOVE.

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