

BCP News & Notes

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A NOTE FROM MRS. ROMA

Spring is a wonderful time of year! Our class has noticed a change in the weather and birds singing. We are thankful God brings such beautiful changes each season.

February was a busy month for our class. We had fun making shadows in the parking lot, wearing our pajamas to school, exchanging valentines and learning to take care of our teeth. Thank you to our visitors Carina and Miyoung from MCCC for the new toothbrushes.

This month we are learning about frogs, St. Patrick's Day and celebrating the first day of spring with a teddy bear picnic. During the month of April we will talk about chicks, ducks, Earth Day and celebrate Easter. Butterflies, farm animals and seeds/plants will be the themes for May. We are now learning numbers 1-10. The children are excited about the number frogs we are making each week.

Many fun projects are being planned from now until the end of the school including hatching chicks, raising butterflies and a trip to Longacre's Dairy. Be sure to sign up to be a Surprise Reader in our classroom in May. Our Spring Program is coming up on Sunday, May 5 in the church sanctuary. Parents and siblings are also invited to our end of the year picnic on May 23 at Washington Township Park. Mrs. Noska and I have enjoyed working with your children. Thank you for your enthusiastic support throughout the school year.



PRESCHOOL RGISTRATION

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2019-2020 school year. There are three programs available: a three-day program for four-year-olds which meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, a two-day program for three-year-olds which meets on Tuesday and Thursday and Play & Learn class for two-year-olds which meets once a week for eight weeks in the fall and again in the winter.

DATES TO REMEMBER

~Friday, March 15 – Play & Learn Class Ends

~Week of March 18 - Spring Conferences

~Thursday, March 21 – Play & Learn Class Ends

~ Wednesday, April 3 – Chick Open House, 6:00 – 7:00 PM

~Friday, April 5 - Scrip Orders Due

~April 17 – 22 No School, Easter Vacation

~Friday, May 3 - Scrip Orders Due

~Sunday, May 5 – Spring Program 6:30 PM

~Thursday, May 9 – 3s Trip to Longacre's Dairy

~Friday, May 10 – Tentative date for 4s Trip to Oley Turnpike Dairy

~Thursday, May 16 – 3s End-of-Year Picnic

~Friday, May 17 – 4s End-of-Year Picnic

~Thursday, May 23 – 3s Last Day of School

~Friday, May 24 - 4s Last Day of School

~Sunday, August 25 – Parent Meeting and Family Picnic for students enrolled for 2019-20.

13th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Thank you to everyone who helped in big and small ways with our Spaghetti Dinner in February. Thanks to the generosity of our church, preschool and community, we were able to raise over \$6000 for the operating costs of BCP! Mark your calendars for next year's dinner on Saturday, February 29, 2020!



4s LUNCH BUNCH

March 6 & 20 April 3 & 24 May 8 & 22

FOUR-YEAR-OLD CLASS - Mrs. Gehman

The four-year-old class has been quite busy! In January Mr. Crilley came to tell us about animals in the winter. We had fun touching pelts and going out into the garden to find animal tracks. In February Miss Jill came to talk to us about dental health. It was fun to brush the big teeth and play a game with her. We made yaks, I Love You pictures, Lincoln's Log Cabin, and dinosaurs to help us learn letters Y, L, and D as well as celebrate President's Day. Miss Sharman came in to talk to us about mail and how letters get to and from our houses. What fun we had "mailing" our parents' Valentine's Day cards! Pastor Mark came to show us his dinosaur collection. We really liked being able to touch a real dinosaur bone! Thank you to all our visitors who came into the classroom to expand our education!

We began the month of March talking about weather and making wells for letter W. For letter H activities

include hat day and making honeybees and hives. We will learn letters K and R, make kangaroos, robots and have rainbow Show and Tell along with baking Irish soda bread.

In April, we will begin with letter E and hatch chicks, and then make jellybeans in a jar and Jesus figures for letter J. Our project for letter X is an X-ray picture. During this time we will also talk about Easter. For letter U we will make underwater pictures and unleavened bread. Our final letter of the week activities are a classroom zoo and zebra project for letter Z.

In May, we will talk about farms, insects, and gardens as well as visit the Oley Turnpike Dairy. Surprise Readers, pet visits and an end of the year picnic happen this month too. What a great year we have had! Thanks for allowing Mrs. Noska and me to spend time with your children!

MUSIC & SPANISH CLASSES – Mrs. Gehman

We spent the last two months learning about musical instrument families in an orchestra. Some highlights of those months were listening and playing different instruments. Thank you to Quinton Roma and Mr. Roberts for taking time out of their busy schedules to talk to us about the cello and trumpet. What fun! For the rest of the year we will be exploring moving to different kinds of music, making a musical instrument and learning songs for the spring program.

We are now finished learning about la cara (car-uh) the face and el cuerpo (cwhere-poh) the body. Next we will be talking about la ropa (row-puh) the clothes. Then to close out the year we will learn spring Spanish words and numbers. The children are really catching on to the words and like to play the games I introduce to them. You can look forward to the spring concert when we will share some of the songs we have been singing in Spanish class!

WINTER PLAY & LEARN CLASS – Mrs. Roma

The Friday class ends March 14. Our group of seven boys did a wonderful job sharing, following directions and playing together. We were busy learning about snow, mittens, penguins, loving families, teeth, bears, and spring. Thank you to Upper Perk Family Dental for the new toothbrushes. We enjoyed singing, reading, art projects and eating snack. I am so grateful for the assistance of Miss Audrey Longacre during this session. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

WINTER PLAY & LEARN CLASS - Mrs. Gehman

The Thursday class settled in quickly. It has been fun watching them become more comfortable with each other and sharing. Some things we have enjoyed doing are singing songs, eating snack, playing outside when we can, project time and doing activities in the classroom. A highlight of project time this session has been fingerpainting! What a joy it has been for Mr. Longacre and me to spend time with your children! Thank you for sharing them with us on Thursday morning!

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