

**APRIL NEWSLETTER
NURSERY SCHOOL: 3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM**



This month, we will begin a wonderfully fun farm theme. Through this unit, they will learn facts about farming and learn about the different animals on a farm. We will culminate this theme by visiting a real farm! (This field trip has been arranged for Thursday, May 3rd).

Religion

Faith Focus: David teaches us to pray. Based on 1 Samuel 16: 11-13, Psalm 51:3, 118:1, 136: 1, 145

Faith Focus: We pray every day

Faith Focus: Every day we give thanks to God

Math

Patterns—The children will have to place pictures of farm animals in a pattern. Example: cow, cow, pig, cow, cow, pig...Then, we will move to more difficult patterns.

One to One Correspondence-prerequisite for learning how to add and subtract.

Science and Senses

They will make their own butter from heavy cream and eat it on crackers!

They will learn facts about pigs, cows, sheep, and chickens.

Field trip to the Rochester Environmental Center to learn about Signs of Spring and animals

Social Studies/Fine Motor Skills

They will get to practice milking Elsie the Cow in our classroom! They will need to practice before going to a real farm. I have been told that each child will get a chance to milk a real cow on the field trip!

Dress Like A Farmer Day!

Tuesday, April 17th

As part of our Farming Theme, the children will dress up like a farmer (jeans/overalls, plaid shirt, pony tails for girls, straw hat etc.)



Writing

What is sky-writing? Sky-writing is a technique that allows children to use their large muscles to practice the motor patterns used to form strokes and letters. To sky-write, hold up the index and middle fingers of the writing hand and raise the whole arm. As they sky-write, children should repeat the name of each stroke after the teacher.

Large Motor

Emergency Drills: We will be practicing tornado drills, code red drills, and fire drills.

Weather permitting, we will go outside.

Field trip to the Nature Center!

Songs and poems

Play time

Mother's Day

The children are going to make something special for Mom. We are also going to talk about how much Mom does for them and how much they are loved. You are a gift from God to your children! God has hand picked you to be your child's mother. It is important for them to know God's Commandment: Honor your Father and Mother.

Dates to Remember

April 2-9: NO SCHOOL-SPRING BREAK

Tuesday, April 17: DRESS LIKE A FARMER DAY!

Thursday, April 19: Field trip to the Rochester Environmental Center

Thursday, April 26: Yellow Day! Wear something yellow!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS-HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

TUES/THURS AM:

Anthony Rogers 4/13

TUES/THURS PM:

Merna Kalasho 4/15

Aidan Jarbou 4/27

“LOVE IS WHAT MAKES YOU SMILE WHEN YOU’RE TIRED.”

Sophia—Age 4

APRIL SNACK SCHEDULE:

TUESDAY/THURSDAY AM:

Tuesday, April 10: Charlie Mason

Thursday, April 12: Anthony Rogers (birthday!)

Tuesday, April 17: Nolan Gorlewski

Tuesday, April 24: Tia Gasperoni

Thursday, April 26: Vincent



Dawson

TUESDAY/THURSDAY PM:

Tuesday, April 10: Stella

Thursday, April 12: Merna

Tuesday, April 17: Kendall

Tuesday, April 24: Aidan

Thursday, April 26: Aidan

Anderson
Kalasho (birthday!)
Biebuyck
Gabiella Cardenas
Jarbou (birthday!)

**APRIL NEWSLETTER
PRESCHOOL: 4 YEAR OLD
PROGRAM
MWF AM/PM**



LETTERS

Xx, Yy, Zz!!!! We made it!!

JOURNALS

The children will be finishing the last few pages of their yearly journal. They will decorate a cover for it and we will make a book out of it. The finished product will be a preschool keepsake for you and your families. You will receive these journals on the evening of graduation along with their assessment folder.

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Faith Focus: We pray every day

MATH

Adding to 6 and 7

Subtracting from 6 and 7

Adding to 8 and 9

FINE MOTOR

Bunny ears for Easter Songs

Confetti crosses

Easter baskets

Letter pages

Mother's Day projects

Journal Pages

Writing Pages

Sight Word Books

READING: Sight Word Books

April 9-13: Look

Focus Word: look

Other Sight Words: at, me

April 16-20: When I Grow Up

Focus Word: be

Other Sight Words: a, an, but, I, may, me, will

April 23-27: What Do We Need?

Focus Word: do

Other Sight Words: we, yes

Writing

As children begin to introduce lowercase letters into their own writing, don't be surprised if they mix uppercase and lowercase letters indiscriminately. This should not be a cause for concern. Encourage children's exploration of the new lowercase shapes and occasionally point out correct uses of uppercase letters in environmental print—at the beginning of names, in book titles, and on signs.

LARGE MOTOR

Tornado Drill

Code Red Drill

Fire Drill

If weather permits, I would like to get the children outside to play!!

Field Trip to Nature Center

MOTHER'S DAY

The children will begin working on a couple of special projects for Mom. We are also going to talk about how much you do for them. I want them to specifically be able to recognize and name some wonderful things you do for them. You are a gift to your children. God hand-picked you to be your child's mother. It is important for them to know God's commandment: **Honor your Father and your Mother.**

ASSESSMENT

Third and final time! We need to find out how your children have progressed from September until now. If we feel that we need a conference, we will notify you in writing. These conferences will take place either at the end of this month, or the beginning of next month depending on when we are finished with assessment. And, as always, if **you** have anything you'd like to discuss—I am here to answer any questions you may have!

FIELD TRIP TO THE NATURE CENTER

The children will be visiting the Rochester Environmental Center. This year they have learned about frogs, snakes, and turtles. Now, they will get to experience the real thing!

The field trip will be on Friday, April 20.

BUS RIDE FIELD TRIP

The children go for a ride on a Utica Community School bus. They will also learn about bus safety rules—both on and off of the bus. This field trip also helps in diminishing any fears about riding a bus. In fact, many children name this as their favorite field trip of the year!!

SPRING BREAK

April 2-9: NO SCHOOL

GRADUATION

The children will practice as many days as we can for graduation. We have to go down to the Church for a few minutes each day to do this. If you need to pick up your child early, and we are not in the classroom, we are probably in the Church.

“When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn’t bend over and paint her toenails anymore.

So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That’s love.”

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

MWF AM:

Giuliana Buffa 4/19

Landen Darson 4/23

Sofia Evola 4/26

MWF PM:

No birthdays in March



Dates to Remember:

Spring Break; April 2-9 NO SCHOOL

Friday, April 20: Field Trip to the Rochester Environmental Center

Bus Ride: Wednesday, April 25

Friday, April 27: Yellow Day! Wear yellow!



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MON/WED/FRI AM APRIL SNACK SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 11: Luca Gasperoni

Friday, April 13: Luke Jablonski

Monday, April 16: Joey Serra

Wednesday, April 18: Giuliana Buffa (birthday!)

Monday, April 23: Landen Darson (birthday!)

Wednesday, April 25: Sofia Evola (birthday!)

Friday, April 27: Madilyn Senstock

Monday, April 30: Anthony Abro

MON/WED/FRI PM APRIL SNACK SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 11: Ava Chryczyk

Friday, April 13: Franky Dedvukaj

Monday, April 16: Allison Deon

Wednesday, April 18: Emerson Deon

Monday, April 23: Bella Hoover

Wednesday, April 25: Olivia Iacona

Friday, April 27: Olivia Kulla

Monday, April 30: Nico Ross

