



Trinity Lutheran Preschool

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Our Classroom Newsletter

Character Trait of the Month: Honesty

This month we will delve into the areas of honesty and integrity. Children learn best when given opportunities to practice the lessons we teach, so this month, we will role play with the preschoolers to instill a confidence in the truth.

As our Lord says, in Ephesians 4:15
“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.”

School Advisory Committee Meeting

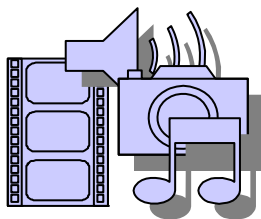
Wednesday, April 8th 12:15 p.m.

Topic: Programming and PR

We will tackle the topics of school curriculum and programming, looking for parent input and comment, and also how best to use public relations and advertising to support the Lord's work through the Trinity Lutheran Preschool and after school programs.

All are welcome. Meetings typically last 1 hour and kids are welcome.

BYOL- bring your own lunch! Drinks will be provided.



Field Trips for April

This month, we will have 2 field trips beginning with a trip on April 1st to visit Trinity's dad at his workplace and ending with a visit to Andrew's dad at his!

April 1st: Cornell Media Group/Fall Creek Studios 9:20 a.m.

April 30th: Ithaca College Music Department

Look for the sign-up sheets and directions!

St. Jude Trike-a-thon Friday, April 31st

The last week in April we will have a unit for the kid's on bike/trike safety. Concluding that week, we will once again host the St. Jude's Trike-a-thon to raise money for St. Jude's Children hospital.

Students are invited to bring in their bike/trike and their helmet. If you do not own a helmet, you can borrow one of ours! If the weather is nice, we will set up a course for the kids to ride their bikes on, learning safety rules and rules of the road. If the weather is inclement, we will hold the same course indoors. Parents are encouraged to volunteer: you can be a vehicle on the "road", a road sign, a pedestrian, or you can count laps! Look for the sign-up sheet for volunteers late in April. If interested, check out the St. Jude's website www.stjude.org/trike.

Open Houses April 24th and 25th

We are hosting 2 open houses for prospective students and their parents for both preschool and after school programs. Pass the word! Saturday's Open house will be geared more for the After School program but Pre- and after- school parents are welcome at both events.

This Month's highlights:

Color Green

Shape Oval

Letters and numbers

Alphabet work focusing on formation, fine motor skill development

Themes Jesus is Alive!

God made spring

Ocean Habitats

Bike safety

Bible Verse(s)

Check your calendar for this month's verses!!

Spring clothing check: Time to update your child's extra clothing for his/her cubby. An extra light sweatshirt is a great thing to have on hand when the spring chill sets in!

Happy Birthday to:



Zachary Christodoulou

Upcoming Events

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| April 1 st | Field Trip Cornell Media Group |
| April 3 rd | Class photos |
| April 10 th | No school |
| April 13-16 th | Spring Break No school |
| April 30 th | Field Trip Ithaca College Music Department |
| April 31 st | Trike-a-Thon for St. Jude's |

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Each child in our program will receive an evaluation conducted by his/her teacher during the months of April and May. If you would like to request a time to sit down and discuss your son/daughter at length, please see a teacher and we can schedule a mutually convenient time.

Art Start: Stained Glass

Inspired by the works of Louis Comfort Tiffany, our preschoolers will tackle a stained glass procedure using tissue paper, markers and a black outline. In keeping with the Easter season, we will be making a lovely cross which will look terrific in your windows at home. We thank Stacey Christodoulou for this great project idea.

As the weather gets nicer, we hope to spend more time outdoors. We have sunscreen on hand to apply to your child, but feel free to put your own sunscreen in your child's cubbie clearly labeled with his/her name.

Remember: In inclement weather, if Ithaca City schools are delayed or closed, we close also. Check local TV and radio stations.