

The new year is well underway in preschool although the class still wants to say 2019 instead of 2020! The older class began working on morning binders to start off the new year. These are books designed to help the kids practice their names, birthdays, putting numbers on a calendar, letters, and numbers. The younger class does a variety of activities involving numbers and they continue to work on their names. We also had 2 new friends join us in January. Marilyn is in the older class and Ben in the younger class. It's been fun showing them what we do at school!

The theme for January was dinosaurs. The kids and I really enjoyed this unit! They were given the chance to be a paleontologist and dig bones from some "rock". I heard lots of screams when they discovered different bones! We talked about dinosaur eggs, different types of dinosaurs, how they became extinct, and several unique features of the different kinds of dinosaurs. The kids tried to match skeletons with fossil prints, hunt for number and color bones in caves with places to dig for bones, play with toy dinosaurs, crack open a dinosaur egg, and do a variety of crafts. We ended January with pajama day and did a lot of relaxing and taking a break from our regular routine.

In February, our themes will be colors and of course hearts. We will be doing color mixing experiments to learn how the many different colors are made. To prepare for Valentine's Day the kids will decorate sacks to have for Valentine mailboxes. Parent volunteers will come and help celebrate Valentine's Day with special snacks, games, and crafts. The students LOVE having their parents come and do this!

There were a few days we were able to get outside and play in the snow. Snow angels, snow castles, and sidewalk scooping were the main interests. I caught a few kids snacking on some snow as well!

Learning about Jesus is always a fun time! We have talked about the 12 spies who went to Canaan, Rahab, Jericho and how God made the walls fall down, David and Goliath, and The Fiery Furnace. It's so nice to be reminded of what can be done with God on our side. We just need to believe and have faith!





Seeing how big Goliath was

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