



April 2020 News

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My March Preschool News is usually filled with the excitement of spring, Easter, end of the year events, and the upcoming preschool graduation. Unfortunately, this March is a bit different. As difficult as COVID-19 is for us to understand, just imagine how to explain this to a preschooler. I ask you to lift up our preschoolers and their families along with all preschoolers in the nation as we work together to get through this difficult time.

The preschoolers had a busy month and have continued to soak up lots of information! We just finished up our unit on how to take care of our teeth. Deb Schardt, dental hygienist, came in and visited with our class about how to brush and keep our teeth healthy. We also have been working on 3 songs that we had planned to sing in church at the end of March. The kids were getting so good at singing them and were excited to share them with the Peace congregation. Plans were being made for our mail unit, field trips, special guest visitors, learning about what happens in the springtime, and above all- the excitement of why we celebrate EASTER. I had planned to try a family fun night this spring and of course a graduation for the preschoolers moving on to kindergarten. I'm sure you noticed that I used past tense when referring to our plans for the end of the year. It is unknown at this time if and when preschool class will resume. I would, however, like to have some sort of closure with the kids and plan to come up with something even if it may have to happen during the summer months.

I want to end by saying that I am truly a bit lost during this time. Our preschool classes are little families and I love my preschool families with all my heart. I am feeling a great void not being with them. This is **NOT** a vacation for me. I want more than anything for our routine to return and for our preschool family to be together again. If I, as an adult, am feeling like this-just imagine what is going through the minds of children ages 3-5. The days ahead will most definitely be different, and even difficult at times, but I encourage you to embrace the new normal. Look at this as an opportunity to **SLOW DOWN**, hang out in your pajamas, play games, read books, bake cookies, snuggle, and really **LISTEN** to your child. I can guarantee you they have lots to say and will bring you lots of laughs and smiles. We will get through this. I will end with the exact same statement I did last month. 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!

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And looking at them Jesus said to them, "With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26

I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. Ephesians 1:19-20