

Preschool News

Preschool has been very busy! We have lots to accomplish and time is just getting away from me. I can't believe it's already the end of February!

A highlight of February was our Valentine's Day party. Parents plan the party and come and spend some time throwing a party for the kids. There are great snacks, crafts, and lots of fun games! The preschool room has been filled with some pretty creative construction workers. We have been talking about all of the different machines that help us do the big jobs. I've been learning a lot from the kids too! Many of them are very knowledgeable on this topic! Along with the construction theme we did some painting with rocks, building, and lots of activities to use our imaginations. Another skill we've been working on a lot is listening. This is a tough one, but the kids are doing much better!

Our focus during Jesus Time has been Lent. We've discussed what Lent is and we are making a book to remind us. Lent is a great time for us to remember the sacrifices that were made for us. The kids are learning that even though they are still little, they can do things to help others. Talking to God through prayer is something a person of any age can do. Some of the stories of Jesus are hard for adults to grasp so imagine about a preschooler. The funny thing is, they understand more than we think and I love hearing their viewpoints on things. They soak a lot more in than we think!

The bitterly cold weather added to the craziness of the past year of COVID! We've missed a few days of class due the extreme cold. When we finally got back to school-the frigid temperatures kept us from going out and enjoying the snow. Soooooo....what's a teacher to do? Just bring the snow inside and play where it's warm! 😊 It wasn't quite the same as running around outside in the snow but we did have fun building mini snowmen and playing with toys in the snow. The last few days have finally been warm enough to get outside and enjoy the snow! The kids were very excited and had fun playing with the construction vehicles in the snow, coloring the snow with spray bottles of colored water, snow angels, building things, and burying lots of treasures underneath the snow. The kids and I really miss having a slide and equipment to run, jump, climb, and play on. I'm excited to share that with the support of our church council, we have decided to move forward and start fundraising for a new playground set. The Cooper Foundation Grant awarded us a grant in the early stages of planning. We are off to a great start with generous donations from the Jaide Kennedy Memorial Fund and the Lois Struve Foundation. Jaide was a member of Peace and attended preschool here as well, so the Miller family felt this was a wonderful way to honor her memory. Lois has always been such a big supporter of anything that helps out the community of Deshler and her continued support is greatly appreciated. I am so thankful for their generosity! With donations from various church organizations along with community members, I am very hopeful our goal can be met and we will have some playground equipment by late summer or early fall. THANKS to all for your support!

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Tuesday/Thursday class of construction workers



M/W/F class with their Valentine's Day bags