

# St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

## January 2018

### Upcoming Events

#### Chapel

Every Wednesday  
9:30am- Frog, Monkey and Elephant class  
10:00-Owl and Butterfly Class.

*Parents are always welcome to attend.*

#### Jan 2

Reopen after Christmas Break

#### Jan 15

Closed for MLK Jr. Birthday

#### TBA

Pre-K Parent Teacher Conferences

Looking forward to next  
month

Feb 12

Closed for Winter Inservice

Feb 14

Valentine's Day Party

Feb 19

Closed for President's Day

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### Director's News

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas. I know I enjoyed the week off with family and friends, but I'm ready to be back to work!

Our biggest news....the beautiful new floors! We were able to get the hall way done over the break. It was way more work than I anticipated, isn't that always the way it goes? But it was worth it, they are beautiful. Anyone who sold candy, ate candy, or donated to the floor fund, we thank you! The plan is to start doing the classrooms, hopefully one a month, or every other month until they are done. The floorboards are not installed yet, Alicia and I will be getting those put in this week. Always something on the to do list!

Thank you to all who donated to our Adopt a Child program. Every single child we had a tag for received a gift. Over 100 gifts were donated from St. Michael's Preschool and Church. We have awesome people here!

And how bout the Christmas Program??? Do you have the most precious children ever? It sure was a lot of fun to put it all together and watch the kids sing. What a great turnout of families, I loved meeting all the special people in your child's life.

This month we will talk about weather and our 5 senses. Though we love the sunshine, we are all hoping for rain. It's probably our fault the rain hasn't started as we purchased lots of new balls, streamers, hula hoops to use in Parish Hall on rainy days! We hope to use them whenever the rain starts. Some of you might remember our Pajama Story night that we have usually held in January, it has been moved to March. Look for more info later!

Until next month,  
Ms. Colleen



## Pre-K Frogs News

Hello there!

Happy New Year to all! I hope everyone had a wonderful time with your family and friends during this very special time of year. I sure did! The Christmas Program was amazing. I am so proud of each and every one of them, they all sang their hearts out! Thank you for all of my Christmas gifts, I absolutely loved them. This month we will be discussing winter and our five senses and weather.

Love always, Ms. Diana



## Pre-K Monkey News

DEAR MONKEY FAMILIES,

WOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S ALREADY JANUARY. I HOPE EVERYONE HAD A GREAT HOLIDAY. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WONDERFUL GIFTS. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME TO OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM. THE KIDS DID AN AMAZING JOB, I WAS SO PROUD OF THEM. GETTING RIGHT BACK INTO THE SWING OF THINGS, WE WILL BE DISCUSSING WINTER WONDERLAND, WEATHER AND THE 5 SENSES. WE HAVE SOME GREAT ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THESE THEMES, LIKE INSTANT ICE AND SNOWFLAKE ACTIVITY, AND SMELLING JARS. PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR THE UPCOMING PROJECTS. WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO PRACTICE WRITING OUR NAMES, PLEASE PRACTICE AT HOME TOO.

I WOULD LIKE TO WISH A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO SOPHIA AND BRODY!

LOVE,  
MS. MISTI



## Elephant Class News

HELLO ELEPHANT FAMILIES!

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR AND A NEW MONTH OF FUN AND EXCITING LEARNING. I HOPE EVERYONE HAD A WONDERFUL WEEK OFF AND ENJOYED THEIR HOLIDAYS. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO GAVE ME A CHRISTMAS GIFT, I LOVED ALL MY GIFTS AND AM VERY THANKFUL TO HAVE SO MANY THOUGHTFUL FAMILIES IN MY CLASS. DECEMBER WAS A FUN MONTH, THE KIDS ENJOYED COMING IN EVERY MORNING TO LOOK FOR OUR ELF, JINGLES! THEY KNEW HE WAS ALWAYS KEEPING AN EYE ON THEM TO MAKE SURE THEY WERE HAVING A GOOD DAY. WE WERE VERY CRAFTY THIS MONTH MAKING CHRISTMAS TREES, JINGLE BRACELETS, DECORATING COOKIES AND WRAPPING BABY JESUS IN A BLANKET. THE LAST DAY BEFORE OUR BREAK, WE CELEBRATED BABY JESUS' BIRTHDAY WITH A STORY, CAKE AND MUSIC. I HOPE ALL THE CHILDREN ARE WELL RESTED AND READY TO GET BACK INTO THEIR LEARNING.

IN THE MONTH TO COME, WE WILL BE LEARNING HOW TO SPELL AND WRITE OUR NAMES, AND USING SCISSORS AND PENCILS PROPERLY. WE WILL ALSO LEARN SELF HELP SKILLS SUCH AS PUTTING ON OUR JACKETS, ZIPPING THEM UP, PUTTING ON SHOES AND ASKING FOR HELP WHEN NEEDED.

TIME TO MAKE NEW MEMORIES IN 2018!  
LOVE,  
MISS. MIRIAM

## Butterfly Class News



Hello Families,

HAPPY NEW YEAR! IT'S ALWAYS WONDERFUL TO SEE THE BUTTERFLIES BLOSSOM IN THE NEW YEAR. THE BUTTERFLIES HAVE BEEN GROWING SO MUCH WITH SPEECH, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SKILLS AND POTTY TRAINING. THIS MONTH WE WILL HAVE A WINTER WONDERLAND IN OUR CLASSROOM AND WE WILL LEARN ABOUT ICE, SNOW AND WINTER TIME ANIMALS. WE ARE GOING TO WORK ON FINE MOTOR SKILLS THIS MONTH. THAT INCLUDES SCRIBBLING, DRAWING WITH LINES AND LARGE CIRCLES. ONE OF OUR MILESTONES IN CLASS IS WORKING WITH SCISSORS, AND WE WILL BE INTRODUCING THAT THIS MONTH. WE WILL ALSO WORK ON POTTY TRAINING THIS MONTH FOR THE CHILDREN STILL IN DIAPERS!

WE HAD A WONDERFUL DECEMBER. THE BUTTERFLIES REALLY ENJOYED DECORATING THEIR CHRISTMAS CARDS AND GIFTS. WE HAD A GREAT TIME AT OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING AND VISITING OUR ROOM. HAVE A BLESSED NEW YEAR!

Ms. Kittie and Ms. Kristen

## Owl Class News



Dear Owl Families,

We hope you had a great Christmas and New Year with your families! We welcome you back and are looking forward to a great start to the new year.

For the month of January we will be working on self help skills with the Owls. This includes practicing zipping up our jackets, putting on our shoes, and pouring milk from a small pitcher. These are all examples of some skills that the Owls practice everyday in the classroom. We encourage you to practice these at home as well. We will also be learning about Martin Luther King Jr. and why we celebrate his birthday this month. Towards the end of the month we will be talking about the weather and what kind of clothes we wear for what type of weather. Last but not least, we will be learning about our 5 senses and showing the Owls how we use them everyday.

This month we will be celebrating Sophia's birthday as well as Ms. Jessy's! We look forward to a great month and hope that everyday is a new learning experience for your Owl!

Happy Holidays! It Jessy and Ms. Shonece

### *When You:*

*Cut it for me,  
Write it for me,  
Open it for me,  
Set it up for me,  
Draw it for me or  
Find it for me,*

### *All I learn is:*

*that you do it better than me*

### *Chapel Topics*

Jan 3 The Three Kings

Jan 10 Jesus in the Temple

Jan 17 The Baptism of Jesus

Jan 24 The Wedding at Cana

Jan 31 The Woman at the Well

We are continuing to work with the kids on self help skills. The picture to left perfectly describes why we feel it is so important kids learn to do things for themselves. They are capable!

# January Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	4	2 Bean and cheese Burrito Green Salad Peaches Milk	3 Penne Pasta Green Beans Apples Milk	4 Taco Salad Cornbread Applesauce Milk	5 Mac and Cheese Peas Pears Milk	
	8 Chicken Teriyaki and Rice Peas Pears Milk	9 Sloppy Joes Green Beans Apples Milk	10 Chicken Nuggets Garden Salad Pineapple Milk	11 English Muffin Pizza Mixed Veggies Oranges Milk	12 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Mixed Veggies Oranges Milk	
	15 <i>Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday</i>	16 Chili Cornbread Peaches Milk	17 Meatball Sliders Carrots Pears Milk	18 Spanish Rice Mixed Veggies Pineapple Milk	19 Bean and Cheese Burrito Corn Pears Milk	
	22 Chili Mac Pineapple Milk	23 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Pears Milk	24 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Garden Salad Apples Milk	25 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Applesauce Milk	26 Taco Salad Tortillas Peaches Milk	
	29 Chicken Tortilla Soup Breadsticks Corn Oranges Milk	30 Meatballs and Rice Peas Pears Milk	31 Sloppy Joes Green Beans Peaches Milk			



# January Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Granola Bars and Oranges Trail Mix and Pears	3 Pancakes with Syrup and Milk Monkey Bread and Milk	4 Blueberry Bread and Milk Triscuits and Salami	5 Belvitas and Juice Ritz Crackers and Egg Salad	
	8 Yogurt and Pears Banana Muffins with Apples	9 Oatmeal and Bananas Fruit Salsa and Cinnamon Pita Chips	10 Belvitas with Oranges Triscuits and Cheese	11 Tortilla Rollups with Turkey and Cheese Trail Mix and Watermelon	12 English Muffins with Cheese Granola Bars with Oranges	
	15 Center Closed for MLK Day	16 Waffles with Jam and Milk Ritz Crackers and Cheddar Cheese	17 Cinnamon Toast and Oranges Cheesy Garlic Bread	18 Oatmeal and Milk Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fruit	19 French Toast and Hot Chocolate Trail Mix Apples	
	22 Toasted Bagels with Cr Cheese and Oranges String Cheese and Ritz	23 Oatmeal and Milk Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fresh Fruit	24 Waffles with Applesauce Tortilla Roll-Ups	25 English Muffins with Cheese Granola Bars with Oranges	26 Oatbran Muffins and Raisins Trail Mix and Pears	
	29 Cheerios with Milk and Bananas Cheez-its and Craisins	30 Cinnamon Toast with Milk Ritz Crackers and Cheddar Cheese	31 Pancakes with Milk Cheesy Garlic Bread			