

St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

February 2020

Colleen's Corner

Upcoming Events

Chapel

Every *Tuesday*
9:30am- Frog, Monkey and Elephant class
10:00-Owl, Butterfly, Turtle and Ladybug
Class.

Parents are always welcome to attend

Feb. 10th

Closed for Staff In-Service

Feb. 14th

Valentine's Day Classroom
Parties

Feb. 17th

Closed for President's Day

Looking Forward To Next Month

March 5th – *Pajama Story Night*
@6:30PM

March 26th - *Open House @6:30*



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Hi Families,

Welcome to February! The fun continues this month! We will celebrate Valentine's Day, President's Day and hopefully, welcome warmer weather in!

Good news! We are officially full! As most of you know, we increased our capacity from 60 to 90 last spring. The bad news though, is that it is much harder to add drop-in days or switch days. Please complete a written request if you need to change your child's schedule or add a day and we will let you know if we can accommodate your request.

Just an FYI- I am on vacation from Feb 14-Feb 24. Your children will be in good hands in my absence, but we cannot accommodate any schedule changes, drop in's etc. in my absence. Thank you for understanding.

Need some Girl Scout cookies? The Girl Scouts will be here on Feb 11 selling cookies. Don't miss out, stop by and pick some up!

We are closed on Monday Feb 10th for Teacher Training Day and Mon Feb 17 for President's Day. Please mark your calendar.

Valentine's Day parties on Feb 14. If your child does not come that day, but you want them to attend the party they are welcome to come, but you must stay here with your child. Please let your child's teacher know if you plan on attending.

See you next month,

Ms. Colleen



Pre-K Frog News

Hello Frog Families,
During the month of January, we focused on the season of winter, Martin Luther King Jr, and the different types of weather, and ended with a Chinese New Year celebration. We learned that it is the year of the Rat!

We are halfway through our school year, and I have been doing assessments on the kids. It is a great way to find out what we still need to focus on. This month we will introduce lowercase letters, and I will bring out an activity called word time. This will help teach the children to speak in complete sentences using verbs, adjectives and nouns.

Love is in the air! We will have a Valentine's Party on the 14th. If you would like your child to participate please send in 15 cards, signed by your child. It's going to be a fantastic month!

Ms. Diana



Pre-K Tiger News

Hello Tiger Families,

Last month we talked about weather, and Martin Luther King Jr. and the importance of friendship and accepting everyone for who they are.

We have finished all of our uppercase letters in our workbooks. This month we will start to work on recognition of lowercase letters. I will also be introducing word time, which will help teach the children to speak in complete sentences with verbs, nouns and adjectives.

This month we will finish all of the assessments and you will receive a progress report on their work in your parent file. If you have any questions or concerns you can call between 1-3 or email the school.

We will have our Valentine's Day Party on Feb 14. Sign-ups will be posted outside our classroom. If you would like your child to participate, please bring 18 cards signed by your child. No need to address them.

Love,

Ms. Misti



Elephant Class News

Hello all my Elephant Families,

We made it through our first month in the new year, and it has been fun and busy! Our biggest focus for this month was our winter wonderland week and talking about Martin Luther King Jr. In our winter week we learned about what clothing to wear for the different weather, types of animals we see in the snow and how snow and rain are made within nature. The kids enjoyed talking and learning about the journey of Martin Luther King Jr. We learned about the impact he made in our country and why we celebrate his memory. We read books about his journey and heard parts of his "I Have a Dream" speech.

This February we will learn about what is a President and what they do for our country. We will talk about Valentine's Day and how we can show love and kindness to those around us. We will end the month by learning how to have good dental hygiene.

Please make sure to always take a peek of class calendar for all our class events. We will be closed on the 10th for our Staff Training Day and on the 17th for President's Day. We're all ready for a new month filled with new fun adventures!

Love, Ms. Miriam

Owl Class News



Hello Owl Families,

We started the year off on the right foot! The Owls did really well transitioning back to school and getting back into our routine.

We started the month off with Winter Wonderland! The Owls created a snowman. While we were putting together the snowman, we all sang, "Do you want to build a snowman." My favorite activity was the snowball fight. We used cotton balls as our snowballs and of course, I was the main target! We even had a surprise attack from the Pre-Kers. They even came with bigger snowballs. Another activity we did was the Cloud Name where I cut out a cloud and wrote a child's name on the cloud. The Owls traced their name and did an amazing job! We celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr by talking about how and why he made such an impact on the world. We talked about his famous speech. The last week we celebrated Chinese New Year. The whole school celebrated with red envelopes, fortune cookies and fried rice for lunch. We also went on a nature walk for the letter N and picked up different things, which, we used to make a nature collage.

We are halfway through the school year. My goal is to work more one on one with each child on recognizing and writing letters! Please continue to practice with your child at home as it definitely shows in the classroom!

Always,

Mr. Louis

Chapel Topics

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| Feb 4 | The Woman at the Well | John 4:3-41 |
| Feb 11 | Lost Coin, Sheep, People | Luke 15:1-10 |
| Feb 18 | Prodigal Son | Luke 15:11-32 |
| Feb 25 | Jesus Blesses the Children | Mark 10:13-16 |

Ladybug Class



Dear Ladybug Families,

It has been a fun filled month of birthdays, and learning the meaning of the holidays we celebrate. With all this crazy weather we have been going over what type of clothing we wear in what weather. This led us to learn how to put on our own jackets and figuring out how to pull up the zipper. This is great for their self-help skills. We then moved onto meeting Martin Luther King Jr. in our books and talking about both his dreams as well as ours. This was a great lesson in equality and loving everyone. Last but not least, we learned about Chinese New Year!

For the month of February, we will begin with some science! I plan on incorporating science in our theme "Five Senses." This is always fun especially when we reach our sense of smell and taste. And what's February without our Valentine's Day party. This is a special day that allows the class to share a small gesture of their love and friendship towards one another. We will be putting out a list of snacks for those that are interested in bringing something to share with the class. I look forward to another great month full of love and learning and don't forget to look for the Groundhog's shadow! Is winter coming to an end?? We'll see!

Love,
Ms. Jessy



Butterfly Bulletin



Turtle Class News

Hello Turtle Families,

We had a great January and we enjoyed the Winter Wonderland theme. The Turtles loved painting, gluing with different collage mediums, playing with sensory "snow" and ice. I've been noticing that the Turtles really like coloring and we expanded the coloring to tracing. Tracing was a hit, so we will have more activities with art.

February is always my favorite month with so many fun activities. We will have envelopes and paper for Turtles to send to our "mailbox". We will transform the dramatic play area to a post office. We also will be decorating the classroom with so many hearts!!

The Valentine's Day party is always fun for the children, please bring 15 cards or treats. No nuts please. There will be a sign up soon for bringing treats for our party.

Happy February and have great month!
Love,
Ms. Kittie



Hello Butterfly Families,

2020 started off super fun here in the Butterfly class. In the past month we spent more time in circle time, reading books, singing songs and drumming with our rhythm sticks. We also enjoyed all of our sensory projects like making snow and painting with shaving cream. Let's not forget stickers, the Butterflies could not get enough of stickers the last few weeks.

This month we will be creating a lot of projects with hearts which will lead us right into Valentine's Day. We will be celebrating Valentine's Day with a card exchange and party. Parents, as always, are welcome to join us. We will have more information about our party soon.

I'm looking forward to a great month!

Love,

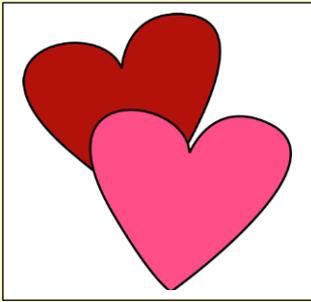
Ms. Keri



February Lunch Menu



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|--|--|--|---|----------|
| | 3 Enchilada Casserole Green Beans Pineapple Milk | 4 Chili Mac Corn Apples Milk | 5 Sloppy Joes Peas & Carrots Oranges Milk | 6 Teriyaki chicken & rice Peas Oranges Milk | 7 Tuna Sandwich Carrot Sticks Apples Milk | |
| | 10 CLOSED for staff in-service | 11 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Peas Oranges Milk | 12 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Pears Milk | 13 Beef Tacos With All the Fixings Mandarins Milk | 14 Valentine's Day Party | |
| | 17 CLOSED for President's Day | 18 Build Your Own Sandwich Veg Sticks Applesauce Milk | 19 Bean and Cheese Burrito Corn Oranges Milk | 20 Meat & Bean Chili French Bread Oranges Milk | 21 Cheese Zombies Tomato Soup Apples Milk | |
| | 24 Taco Salad Cornbread Oranges Milk | 25 Mac and Cheese Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk | 26 Bow Tie Pasta with Meat Sauce Mixed Veggies Pineapple Milk | 27 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Bread Apples Milk | 28 Spanish Rice Salad Oranges Milk | |



February Snack Menu

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 3 Graham Crackers and Oranges Cheez Its and Apples | 4 Biscuits and Oranges Granola Bars and Mandarins | 5 Cheerios and Milk Nillas and Bananas | 6 Waffles and Orange Juice Banana Bread and Milk | 7 Cinnamon Toast with Applesauce String Cheese and Apples | |
| | 10 Closed for Teacher In-service | 11 Chex Cereal and Milk Refried Beans and Cheese and Chips | 12 Blueberry Muffins and Milk Granola bars and Oranges | 13 Belvitas and Apples Almond Butter and Ritz with Bananas | 14 Scrambled Eggs with OJ Trail Mix and Pears | 11 |
| | 17 Closed for President's Day | 18 Waffles and Orange Juice Chex Mix and Apples | 19 Biscuits and Jelly with Apples Salami and Cheese with Ritz Crackers | 20 Cinnamon Toast and Oranges Goldfish and Oranges | 24 English Muffins with Melted Cheese Veggie Sticks and Wheat Crackers | 18 |
| | 24 Granola bars and Pears Trail Mix and Apples | 25 OatBran Muffins and Milk String Cheese and Apples | 26 French Toast Sticks and Pears Cereal Bars and Apples | 27 Cereal and Milk Cheese Quesadillas | 28 Turkey and Cheese Roll-Ups Oatmeal Bar and Milk | 25 |