

# St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

## May 2022

### Upcoming Events

#### Chapel

Every *Tuesday*  
9:30am- Pre-K Frog & Tiger classes  
10:00- Butterfly, Turtle, Owl and Ladybug classes.

#### May 6<sup>th</sup>

Mother's Day Garden Party  
3:00-4:30

#### May 30<sup>th</sup>

**Closed** for Memorial Day



### Looking forward to next month

#### June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Kinder and Pre-K Graduation!!

@6:30 pm

#### June 6<sup>th</sup>

Summer Program Starts

#### June 17<sup>th</sup>

Donuts with Dad

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### Colleen's Corner

Welcome to May!

Can't believe that this is the last month of the school year. It's been a great year and we are so happy to be able to celebrate by hosting a Graduation for our Kinder and Pre-K classes. It's one of my favorite events and we are so excited to be able to host this event. We will send home more information to the Kinder and Pre-K families early in May, but mark your calendar for June 2<sup>nd</sup>, we can't wait to celebrate with you!

Summer is rapidly approaching! We have many fun events planned with some of our favorite weekly themes and some new ones too. We are finally able to have "shows" and special events, which means I won't have to be the bubble lady, we can get a professional! We will have our summer calendar out later this month, but now is a good time to remind you about the summer activity fee. The summer activity fee this year is \$40 for one child and \$75 for two children. The fee is due by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Know that we will have fun spending every penny of it!

We are very excited to host a Mother's Day Garden Party on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 4:30. Please stop by to enjoy treats and beverages with your child in our beautiful new garden. No one deserves a break more than our amazing moms, we hope you will join us!

We have been given a block of tickets to the Oakland A's game on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:05 pm. We have about 75 tickets available to those who want to attend. It's Memorial Day weekend, so check your calendar and please let me know if you would like a ticket or two. Many of the staff are attending, let's cheer the A's on and help fill the stadium!

As we wrap up this school year, we are again, so grateful that you have been a part of our St. Michael's family. Wouldn't be the same without you!

Let's bring on summer!

Love,

Ms. Colleen



## Pre-K Frog News

Hello Frog Families,

It's hard to believe that the end of the year is upon us! The children have grown so much over the course of the year.

We had an awesome April. We learn how to take care of our Earth and our bodies by eating healthy and exercising. A big hit was getting our caterpillars and watching them transform into beautiful butterflies. Our Easter egg hunt was a huge success, thank you to all who donated candy filled eggs!

During the month of May, we will be celebrating all those wonderful mommies out there!

Graduation is quickly approaching and we will start practicing soon. It's going to be very exciting since we have not had one in two years. I wanted to say thank you so much for all of my wonderful gifts I got for teacher appreciation week! I felt very loved for sure!

Love,  
Ms. Diana



## Pre-K Tiger News

Hello Tiger Families,

I can't believe it's May already. I want to wish All of our Moms a very Happy Mother's Day.

We had an awesome April. We learned how to take care of our earth, and our bodies by eating healthy and exercising. The life cycle of butterflies and flowers.

Our themes for this month are Mothers are special, Community helpers, Children around the world. I will post our calendar on remind so you can see the activities we will be doing. Graduation is quickly approaching. WOW graduation, I can't believe it's almost graduation already. They have been working so hard over the course of the year and I am so proud of each and every one of them. We will have more information on graduation coming soon.

Thank you for all the amazing gifts and beautiful cards filled with lovely messages and encouraging words during teacher appreciation week. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Be safe and have a blessed month,

Ms. Misti



## Kinder Class News

Dear Kinder Families,

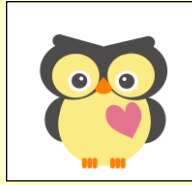
Thank you so much for the generous gifts during Teacher Appreciation Week! I absolutely love teaching your kiddos and being a part of the St. Michael's Family! April was a fun month of science and boy oh boy do the Kindergarteners love science: watching our seeds slowly sprout, our grass grow into wild hair for our silly planters, watching our white carnations sip colored water and change color, and baking our own little Earth cupcakes. It warmed my heart to see how passionate the Kinders were about keeping our Earth nice and how they had great ideas to do that.

This month we will be starting off with zoo animals with a special look at Zoo Momma Animals and their babies, as we reflect on our appreciation for our own mom and create a gift for Mom. We will then dive into rhyming with classic nursery rhymes and good old Pete the Cat stories. I am excited for the week we will reflect on how awesome their Kindergarten year went. Last but definitely not least, we will end the month with our appreciation for the soldiers who so bravely gave their life for our freedom as we head into summer.

Yours in Inclusive Teaching,

Ms. Jen

## Owl Class News



Hello Owl Families,

We had so much fun in April from our Easter egg hunt to celebrating earth week and ending with teacher appreciation week. We are getting close to ending our school year and starting our summer fun. But before we end the school year with a bang, we have a few more weeks of fun learning.

This May is a special month because we get to celebrate our wonderful moms. We will be making a special gift for all our owl moms. This month we will also be learning about our community helpers and how children around the world learn and live.

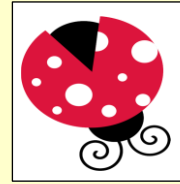
We would like to thank all our Owl families for making us both feel so special and loved for teacher appreciation week. Thank you for all your thoughtful gifts and words. Please remember we will closed Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day. We are ready to end the school year with a Big Bang with lots of fun activities!

As much as I have loved being one of the Owl teachers, I will be moving into the Ladybugs beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully some of my Owls will move too! Ms. Keri is off for the summer and this will give me a chance to be back where it all started!

Love,

Ms. Miriam & Mr. Louis

## Ladybug Class



Hello Ladybug Families!

Wow! I can't believe it is the last month of the school year. This year flew by! Probably because we have been having so much fun. Last month we had a good time celebrating Easter and Earth Day! Our Easter egg hunt was a success even with a few rain drops. But my favorite activity last month was our bug hunt because we saw such a large variety of critters.

This month we will continue working on a top secret project. After that we will dive deep into exploring the world around us. We will spend a few weeks learning about our community helpers like doctors, construction workers and veterinarians. Followed by a week of learning about children in different communities around the world.

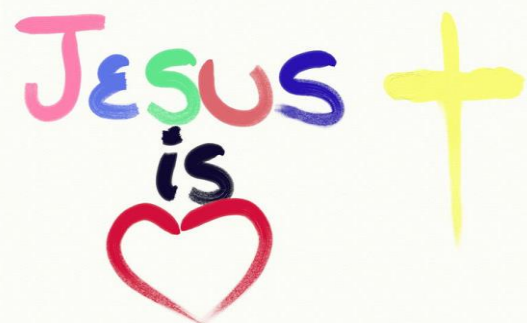
Lastly, I would like to take this time to thank everyone for such an amazing school year! It has been a privilege to teach the Ladybugs all year. Watching all the growth in our kiddos this year has been such a joy. I also wanted to let everyone know that I will be off this summer to spend time with my daughters. I will miss all my St. Michael's kiddos but will definitely be stopping in to visit. Ms. Colleen filled me in with some of the exciting summer events and I don't want to miss them!

Love,

Ms. Keri

### *Chapel Topics*

<i>May 3</i>	<i>Breakfast on the Beach</i>
<i>May 10</i>	<i>Jesus Ascends to Heaven</i>
<i>May 17</i>	<i>Pentecost: The Holy Spirit</i>
<i>May 24</i>	<i>Peter and John Heal A Lame Man</i>
<i>May 31</i>	<i>Loving our Neighbor</i>





## Turtle Class News

Hello Turtle Families!

Can you believe we're almost to the end of the school year?! We've enjoyed watching signs of Spring pop up, even in our classroom. We welcomed the arrival of our painted lady butterflies and enjoyed watching the transformation of the caterpillars to chrysalis. We look forward to releasing them into our garden when they are ready. Last month, we went on a bug hunt, celebrated Earth week and of course, had a blast finding eggs from the Easter Bunny.

During the month of May, we celebrate Mom and all our amazing community helpers. We hope you can join us for our special Mother's Day event. We are already working hard on creating our gifts for mom, and can't wait to share our surprises.

Lastly, thank you for the wonderful Teacher appreciation gifts. I'm grateful for your generosity and thoughtfulness. We are so lucky to have wonderful parents in our community!

Love,  
Ms. Rachelle



## Butterfly Bulletin

Hello Butterfly families,

April was such a fantastic month! We sure did have A LOT to celebrate about. We started the month out with our April fool's prank. Weren't our Donut Seeds so cute? Then we created a rainbow of delicious art with strawberries, carrots, lemonade and broccoli. We've been talking about that art board every day since. Celebrating Easter was so much fun with all our crafts, egg sensory and our egg hunt. The Butterflies brought in a BIG haul of eggs this year. The following week, we discussed everything we could think of about our planet Earth. We talked about the vast oceans, the lush forests and all the animals who live in them. We also talked about how we need to take care of our beautiful Earth! Lastly, I want to thank all of the families who thought of me during teacher appreciation week! You guys made me feel so loved and appreciated! THANK YOU!!

The end of the school year is coming up with the month of May, but that doesn't mean all of the fun we have will stop. I've got plenty of fun activities and crafts planned. We'll start the month out with some top secret plans as we work on making something really special for Mother's Day. Then, we will spend a large portion of the month discussing community helpers with firefighter sensory and books, acting like doctors who take good care of their patients, taking out the trash like a garbage worker and many more activities. Lastly, we're going to talk about children from all over the world with how they look, what they eat and how they say "Hello" in their language. I am looking forward to what's ahead in May! Lots of love~ Ms. Jennifer

## In the kitchen with MS. Alicia

By popular demand, here is our chilimac recipe:

Serves 6 people

Ingredients:

1 lb. lean ground beef, 2 (16 oz) cans chili beans, 1 (16 oz) can tomato sauce, taco seasoning, elbow pasta, shredded cheese

Instructions:

Cook lean ground beef in skillet until thoroughly cooked, add taco seasoning.

Boil elbow noodles until al dente, drain from water. Add meat, beans and

tomato sauce to elbow pasta. Mix thoroughly. Add everything into a baking pan and top with cheese. Bake at 350 until cheese is melted. Serve hot.

ENJOY! 😊



# May Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2 Taco Salad Cornbread Peaches Milk	3 Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce Peas Pineapple Milk	4 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Applesauce Milk	5 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Carrot Sticks Pears Milk	Chili Corn Chips Mixed Fruit Milk	
	9 Mac and Cheese Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	10 Spanish Rice Peas Pears Milk	11 Meatball Sliders Corn Pineapple Milk	12 Bow tie Pasta with Meat Sauce Garden Salad Applesauce Milk	13 Bean and Cheese Burrito Mixed Veg Peaches Milk	
	16 Beef Tostada With All the Fixings Pears Milk	17 Chicken Teriyaki and Rice Corn Peaches Milk	18 Chili Wheat Bread Mixed Fruit Milk	19 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Applesauce Milk	21 Sloppy Joes Corn Pineapple Milk	
	24 English Muffin Pizza Salad Pears Milk	25 Beanie Weenies Peas French Bread Applesauce Milk	26 Spanish Rice with Meat and Cheese Corn Peaches Milk	27 Chili Mac Pineapple Milk	28 Tuna Sandwich Veg Sticks Mixed Fruit Milk	
	30 <b>Closed for Memorial Day</b>	31 Meatballs and Rice Peas Pears Milk				



# May Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2 Belvitas and Apples  Graham Crackers and Bananas	3 Chex Cereal and Milk  Refried Beans and Cheese and Chips	4 Cheesy English Muffins and Apples  Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fruit Salsa	5 Cinnamon Raisin Toast and Oranges  Chex Mix and Pears	6 Bagels with Cream Cheese and Ham  Oatbran Bread and Strawberries	
	9 Yogurt and Strawberries  Goldfish and Apples	10 Waffles and Applesauce  Salami and Cheese with Ritz Crackers	11 Biscuits and Jelly with Apples  Trail Mix and Pears	12 Blueberry Muffins and Oranges  Cheese Itz Oranges	13 Pancakes and Pears  Trail Mix and Cheese	
	16 Nutra Grain bars and Pears  Pirate Booty and Mandarins	17 Cinnamon Raisin Toast and Apples  Chex Mix and Pears	19 French Toast Sticks and Pears  Blueberry Bread and Oranges	20 Life Cereal and Milk  Nillas and Bananas	21 Granola Bars and Apples  String Cheese and Pretzels	
	Cinnamon Raisin Toast and Apples  Cheese Quesadillas	Belvitas and Oranges  Graham Crackers and Bananas	Cheesy English Muffins and Pears  Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fruit Salsa	Bagels with Cream Cheese and Ham  Oatbran Bread and Mandarins	Biscuits and Jelly with Melon  Trail Mix and Cheese Slices	
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