

# St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

## January 2025

### Upcoming Events

#### Chapel

Every Tuesday

9:30am- Busy Bee, Tiger and Llama classes

10:00- Duckling, Sea Turtle, Cub and Flamingo classes.

### Special Events this Month

Jan 20

Closed for Martin Luther King birthday

Jan 29

Lunar New Year Celebrations



### Looking Forward to Next Month

Feb 3-6<sup>th</sup>

Vision Screening

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Valentines Parties

Feb 14 Closed for Staff Inservice

Feb 17 Closed for President's Day

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### Colleen's Corner

Welcome to 2025!

Wow, sounds strange to say 2025 doesn't it? I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Holiday break. I know I did!!

Thank you to all who made the Christmas Program so special. There was room for everyone and the kids did so well! Not an easy feat when you've never all practiced together in that location. It was a Christmas miracle! I was proud of each and every one of them. A special thanks once again to the Lejano family for getting the church for us, and thank you to all who helped that night!

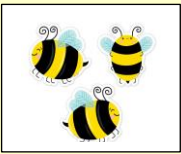
This month, we get back to our routines! The holidays are fun, but the rhythm of our daily routine can't be beat. We will celebrate Lunar New Year with special activities and a special lunch. As a reminder we will be closed on Jan 20 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday.

I know it's early, but we are starting our summer planning this month. Some of our vendors book up quickly, and we want all our favorites back. We will have summer sign ups posted in early Feb, so once you know your plans, please let us know. This is mostly for our Pre-K families as their children will be moving on to Kindergarten. For those Pre-K families, if you have any questions about Kinder enrollment, please don't hesitate to ask!

That's about it for this month!

Love,

Ms. Colleen



## Busy Bees

Hello Busy Bees Families!

Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed quality time with family and friends, I know I did! December was a fun-filled month with Mr. Jingles returning to the Busy Bees class, making some special crafts, celebrating baby Jesus's birthday, and our Christmas program! The kids worked so hard practicing the songs and hand movements, it turned out amazing! Thank you so much for all of the gifts, treats, and gift cards. You are all so thoughtful, I really felt the love!

During the month of January we will start book bags and workbooks again! We will be transforming the classroom into a Winter Wonderland! Some projects will include snowman names, an ice experiment, and snow globes! As winter is here, please check your child's extra clothes box and be sure there is weather appropriate attire in them. Also, if your child comes to school with rain boots please send an extra pair of shoes as the boots are prone to slips inside the classroom.

Love,  
Ms. Diana

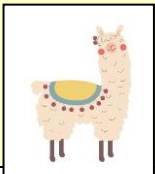


## Terrific Tigers

Hello Tiger Families,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays with family and friends, I definitely did! I was so proud of all the children during the Christmas performance, they did an amazing job! I want to thank you for all my Christmas gifts, I love them all. I am so blessed to have so many wonderful families in my class. Sparkle headed back to the north pole with Santa, she had so much fun here playing with all the St. Michael's elves and watching over our class for Santa. This month we will be discussing winter wonder, weather, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Lunar new year. We will continue working in our workbooks, more scissor practice, and learning to write our first and last names. Make sure to check your calendar for all the great activities we have planned.

The week of January 13 we will do a friendship snack and each child can bring a snack size Ziplock of their favorite fruit to share, I will post a sign up sheet as it gets closer.  
Love, Ms. Misti



## LOVELY LLAMAS

Hello Lovely Llama families!

WOW, December came and went so quickly. Our school Christmas program was such a blast and all the Llamas did amazing. It must have been all that practice they did! Christmas Spirit Week was such a great time. The children absolutely loved creating different crafts in the classroom, wearing festive holiday colors, and most of all, coming to school in their pajamas and watching a movie with all their friends! I sure had a blast! I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the holidays with their loved ones!

In the upcoming month, the class goals will be to continue practice problem-solving with their classmates, continuing to strengthen their self-help skills, and focusing on letter and number recognition through various activities and games!

I would like to wish you all a very HAPPY and HEALTHY NEW YEAR! Looking forward to the second half of the school year!

Love,

Ms. Carla

## Cub Central



Hello Cub Families,

Welcome back & Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break, filled with joy & relaxation. Thank you to all the families for the thoughtful gifts & cards. December was a special month, filled with so many fun activities & crafts while we celebrated Baby Jesus & Christmas!

There is so much to look forward to in January! We will be exploring the fascinating world of animals that hibernate, as well as the wonders of snowy and rainy create positive change.

As we start the new year, we are excited to continue fostering our independence. With Pre-K just around the corner, this is a key time to focus on developing important skills. From tying shoes, dressing ourselves, walking into school & taking weather. Additionally, we will celebrate the remarkable accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., discussing his legacy of kindness, equality, & the importance of working together to

on more responsibility in their daily routines, we are encouraging our little ones to grow more self-sufficient & confident in their abilities. We're looking forward to all the progress & fun the year ahead will bring. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help each child thrive

Love, Ms. May



## Sea Turtle Times

Hello Sea Turtle Families,

Wishing you a Happy New Year! Last month, we practiced singing for the Christmas performance. We're proud of their wonderful performance. Sea turtles loved making the Christmas gifts for their parents, and we hope that you enjoyed the sweet little gift.

We're ready for magical winter adventure this month! We'll paint winter landscapes, learn about winter animals, and discover some new winter songs.

This month, we'll work on self-help skills. This includes washing hands independently, dressing ourselves independently if we have accidents or putting our pull-ups on for Nap Time. We also work on independently putting our jackets on by ourselves, teachers are able to assist, but will help them start putting the jacket on. Using our food utensils correctly and not using our hands. Communicating with the teachers that they need to use the restroom. Putting toys away correctly and helping with classroom cleanup tasks. At home, please encourage the same approach that we're doing and help them guide them. Also, daily check your child's bin of extra clothes, and if they have an accident, please replace it the next day.

We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and we touched by your thoughtful Christmas cards and gifts. May this year bring you happiness and joy.

Love,  
Ms. Kittie and Ms. Liz



## Flamingo Fun

Hello Flamingo Families,

Welcome to 2025! We are excited to be in a brand-New Year and begin our new adventures in the Flamingo class! We hope all our Flamingo families had a Merry Christmas and enjoyed your time off spent with friends and families. A big Thank You to all the families who brought in so many wonder gifts and cards for us. We are very blessed to be part of such a great group of families and children.

This month in January we will be focusing on our letters, shapes, and colors. We will celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. with books and projects dedicated to him and the change he made in our country. We will also be learning about different types of weather and our 5 senses. We hope this New Year bring everyone health and happiness!

Love,

Ms.Miriam and Mr. Louis



## Duckling Details

Hello Duckling families,

The end of December came up real quick, not to mention 2024 for that matter. We sure did have a lot of fun last month. We were visited by our own elf of the shelf, Noggin. He made sure to keep a good eye on us so that he could let Santa know how nice and not naughty we were. It was fun seeing him propped up in different places especially with some of the other elves in the school. We also had a great time sharing and playing with our holiday themed toys. We really liked the felt tree and ornaments. Lastly, we had a great time making ornaments with ribbon and posing for our photos for our Christmas cards and snow globes. Weren't they super cute? And thank you for all of the thoughtful gifts and cards we received. You guys truly make us feel appreciated.

January is going to be a very "cool" month with all of our snow themed activities. We've got plans for some snow sensory, building with ice and dramatic play with Arctic animals. Lastly, we will also be discussing the importance of Martin Luther King Jr. and how he so positively influenced so many people. We hope that you all have had a wonderful winter break. We're looking forward to getting back to school for the new year!

Lots of love~ Ms. Jennifer & Ms. Maria

# January Lunch Menu



Penne Pasta

	Monday	Tuesday		Thursday	Friday	
				2 Spanish Rice Green Beans Peaches Milk	3 Chicken Nuggets Wheat Bread Corn Pineapple Milk	
	6 Teriyaki Chicken and Rice Peas Pears Milk	7 Bean and Cheese Burrito Corn Peaches Milk	8 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Veg Sticks Oranges Milk	9 Chili French Bread Green Beans Applesauce Milk	10 Fish Sticks Wheat Bread Salad Pineapple Milk	
	13 Mac and Cheese Peas Oranges Milk	14 Spanish Rice Corn Pears Milk	15 Meat and Cheese Tostada Salad Peaches Milk	16 Tuna Sandwich Veggie Sticks Apples Milk	17 Chili French Bread Mixed Fruit Milk	
	20  Closed For Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday	21 Taco Salad French Bread Bananas Milk	22 Chicken Nuggets Corn Pineapple Milk	23 Enchilada Casserole Garden Salad Apples Milk	24 Penne Pasta Garden Salad Oranges Milk	
	27 ChiliMac Oranges Milk	28 Chicken Noodle Casserole Peas Pears Milk	29 Lunar New Year Celebration	30 Meatballs and Mashed Potatoes Wheat Bread Peaches Milk	31 Chicken Nuggets Wheat Bread Corn Mandarins Milk	



# January Snack Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
				2 Yogurt and Granola  Veg Sticks and Cheddar Cubes	3 Blueberry Muffins and Oranges  Granola Bar and Pears	
	6 Belvitas and Bananas  String Cheese and Ritz	7 Oat Bran Muffin Oranges  Granola Bar and Pears	8 Waffles and Applesauce  Pita Chips and Hummus	9 English Muffin with Cheese  Bean Dip and Corn Chips	10 Cheerios and Milk  Rice Gakes with Cream Cheese and Salame	
	13 Waffles and Apples  Yogurt and Fresh Fruit	14 Bagels and Cream Cheese and Apples  Nillas and Bananas	15 Blueberry Muffins and Oranges  Egg Salad and Ritz	16 Breakfast Bar and Apples  Tortilla Rollup with Turkey and Cheese	17 French Toast Sticks and Applesauce  GheezIts and Salame and Cheese	
	20 <b>Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday</b>	21 Cinnamon Raisin Bread and Oranges  Cheese Quesadillas	22 Pancakes and Applesauce  Ritz Crachers and Tuna Salad	23 Blueberry Muffins and Milk  Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fresh Fruit	24 Oatmeal and Milk  Belvitas and Oranges	
	27 Pancakes and Applesauce  Bean and Cheese Nachos	28 Yogurt and Strawberries  Granola Bars and Oranges	29 Cheerios with Milk  Salame and Cheese and Wheat Thins	30 French Toast Sticks and Applesauce  Trail Mix and Bananas	31 Cheesy English Muffins  Granola Bars and Fresh Fruit	