

St. Peter Lutheran

PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Our Bible Story in Review

We learned about baby Moses this week. Some questions you can ask your preschooler are: "What did baby Moses mother do to keep him safe from Pharaoh?" (Put him in a basket in the river.) "Who was watching baby Moses from the tall grass?" (His sister Miriam) "Who else was watching over baby Moses?" (God) "Who found baby Moses?" (Pharaoh's daughter) "Who took care of baby Moses for the Princess?" (Baby Moses' very own mom) "Who had a plan for baby Moses?" (God) "Who was always watching over baby Moses and keeping him safe?" (God)

November Themes

We will be focusing on family, and counting our blessings the next two weeks. There will be several homework activities this month as well. Please check your child's backpack each day to make sure you are not missing any notes that may come home. Have a blessed weekend.

Our focus letter was letter 'M'.

We looked at our focus letter picture and poem to learn that museum, moose, mouse, mice, mat, mask, motorcycle, mittens, and microphone all begin with the letter 'M'. We also learned that Moses is an 'M' name.

We also used upper and lower case 'M' stampers to stamp on a letter 'M', as well as painted capital 'M' at the easel.

Home activity: Look for letter 'M' in your bedtime story this weekend and let me know how many you find.

Shapes

We work weekly on shape identification. This week we played games with shapes and talked about how we have so many shapes all around us. We have done shape hunts in the classroom looking at all kinds of objects to see if the children can see the shapes in their environment. This is a great activity to do at home. Go on a shape hunt and see how many you can find.

Misc. info.

- Nov 5th=Wreath Sale begins
 - Nov 16th= Wreath orders and \$ due
 - Nov 16th, 17th & 23rd = Preschool conferences
 - Nov 18th MSU class 6-7:30pm. Nurturing Parents/Nurturing Families, this is free to all parents and guardians. Sign-up is in the hall across from the office.
 - Nov 26 = No Preschool Thanksgiving Break
 - 12/1 = Trees for Troops field trip
 - 12/7 = PTL Christmas shop (children can shop for their loved ones at school)
- More info to come soon.

Firefighter Wade Visit

Thanksgiving Placemats

The preschoolers will be making Thanksgiving placemats this month. They will be tucked inside the food baskets that our food pantry distributes to families in need.

Numbers

Here are just a few of the ways we work with numbers in class:

- Attendance: We count how many children are present and how many are absent daily.
- When we get ready to wash our hands we call the children by the number that was written under their attendance picture.
- We count how many children answered the daily question: how many answered yes, and how many answered no.
- We count how many children are standing in line whenever we leave the room.
- We count how many children are present when we come back from chapel.
- We count the days on the calendar.
- We have thematic math mats that children use during free play time.
- We count toys during play.

These are just some of the ways we work with numbers in the classroom.

Firefighter Wade visited with the school on Tuesday! The children were excellent listeners! Firefighter Wade spoke with the whole school about fire safety and he even brought some things for the children to try on!

- Have you practiced a fire drill in your home??
- Have you assigned a meeting spot for all family members to meet at if there were ever a fire or emergency in your home?
- Do you keep a copy of your address visible for the babysitter or visiting relatives if there were ever an emergency and they needed to call 911?
- Do you have an escape ladder if you have a second story house?

These are important things that all families should have and do to keep safe! Also, don't forget to change your smoke detector and fire alarm batteries if you didn't already do it on Sunday!!



Thanksgiving Songs

I have placed some Thanksgiving songs in your child's cubbie in the hallway for you to have for home use.