



What's in Store for PK4 & More
Mrs. DeMarsh

January 22-26, 2024

This week we will learn all about the Letter S and the number 14. We will continue working with our colors gray and white, our ABCD pattern, and our shape the star. Please keep working on recognizing and writing our letters (capital & lowercase) as well as our numbers. When writing letters, help your child connect the sounds with letters. We will also have some fun crafts and books this week relating to Groundhog Day!

& MORE...During our workshop time this week, we will work with our positional words and create a Skittles rainbow. At our centers, we will work with our #14 play-doh writing mats, play in kinetic sand, create our letter S alphabet book page with stamps, and work with shadows. For art, we will turn the letter S into a spider and make a groundhog puppet. We will read *The Very Busy Spider* and *Groundhog Gets a Say*.

IN THE AFTERNOON this week, we will work with the book *Even Superheroes Have Bad Days*. We will discuss emotions and our very own 'bad days.' We will work with the beginning S sound and illustrate Superhero related prompts. Our STEM activity this week will be building a tower with index cards and dixie cups. We will also create our very own Superhero masks and an actual Superhero.

In Jesus Time we will hear the story of Jesus choosing the 12 disciples. The disciples worked in many different jobs, but they were special to Jesus. These men were to be Jesus' helpers here on earth. We have also been called to be Jesus' helpers and like the disciples, He too helps us to show love to one another. We will also have chapel this week with Mrs. G. We can't wait to hear her message of Jesus' love!

ME Person for the week is Zellie. We can't wait to learn all about him. This week, our class ME posters are finally completed. Check them out in our hallway!

Donuts with Dads is this Monday, 1/22 in our big school gym from 7:45-8:45. There is still room to join so please let me know!

Step Up day for PK4 is THIS Monday, 1/22. This is going to be a fun filled morning- your preschooler will get to see what an actual Kindergarten classroom is like. All preschoolers should be dropped off at the big school (across the street) between 8:35-8:45. If your child is in extended care, they will be brought over by a member of our staff. Pick up time for half-day students will begin at 10:55, again at the big school. Full-day students will then walk over to our preschool building for the remainder of the day. Please refer to the note regarding this day that has been emailed to you and sent home last week. **NO BACKPACKS PLEASE** on this day (unless your child attends EC or full day). If you have any questions or concerns regarding this day, feel free to reach out.©

National Lutheran Schools Week begins this week! **SPECIAL DRESS DAYS:** Monday is Neon Day, Tuesday is Superhero Day, Wednesday is Class Color Day (PK wears green OR pink), Thursday is Blue/Gold Day, and Friday is White Out Day (wear white).

Service Project...For NLSW we are joining with the big school in packaging birthday boxes for the local FISH food pantry. Can you help us by donating one (or more) of the following items: cake box mix, frosting, candles, balloons, or sprinkles? Thank you in advance for your help!

Preschool Skills are growing each and every day! Any additional work you can do with your child at home is always greatly appreciated! Preschool skills include everything from letter, number, and sound recognition to fine motor skills like cutting, gluing, writing, and careful coloring. The more practice students get with these skills, the better prepared they will be for Kindergarten. We have weekly letter activities sent home and on our website, and I will continue to provide weekly additional name practice sheets for your child.

Registration time...Immanuel Lutheran School and Church families are offered first priority in registering for 2024-2025 Kindergarten school year. You received a re-enrollment form at our conferences. Please fill this out and return as soon as possible to reserve your spot. Here at Immanuel, we offer an amazing full or half day programs. The community will be invited to register in February, so get in your forms and fees soon.© If you have any questions about our Kindergarten program, please let me know!

Preschool Sings in Church on Sunday, February 18th at the 10:30 am service. More details coming soon.

Valentine's Parties are coming soon! Our class will have this party on Tuesday, February 13th from **10-11**. We **WILL** have regular class that day from 8:30-10. A list of all children with a coordinating number will be coming home soon. Please put the child's name and number on cards for our Valentine 'mailing' (great for number recognition©). We ask that no candy be included with valentine cards. Please let me know if you need anything for the party (i.e. ideas, craft supplies, etc.), I am happy to help!

Upcoming dates... Upcoming dates... Upcoming dates... Important dates: National Lutheran Schools' Week is THIS WEEK. Step Up day is Monday, 1/22. Dress Days: 1/22 Neon Day, 1/23 Superhero Day, 1/24 Class Color Day (green or pink), 1/25 Blue/Gold Day, 1/26 White Out Day; Kindergarten Open House is 1/29. PK Sings in Church 2/18. Valentine's Party Tuesday, 2/13 from 10-11 am (regular class from 8:30-10). No School on Monday, 2/19 in honor of President's Day. No preschool 2/29-3/1 for teacher ILASCD conference. Spring Break is the week of 3/25-3/31.

Communication is an important part of our child's learning. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns. The best ways to reach me would be email at ademarsh@immanuel-ed.org. Let's keep those lines of communication open!