



What's in Store for PK4 & More

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This week we will learn all about the Letter H and the Number 8. We will review our ABB pattern, the square, and our blue and brown colors. Have you seen your child's letter recognition books? Have your child read to you all about our letter of the week! We are also continuing work with our Heggerty program. Students are doing well recognizing beginning and ending sounds, insulating syllables, and even working with nursery rhymes and rhyming.

& More... This week during workshop, we will create a handprint turkey. During center time we will play a Thanksgiving themed math roll and cover game, create our letter H alphabet book page, play with farm animals in corn, and create with legos on the light table. We will be making an H is for horse craft. We will read *Hullabaloo at the Zoo*.

IN THE AFTERNOON this week...During fine motor time, we will play with play-doh, giant water beads, and play with fall themed fine motor pieces. We will complete literacy units on *Harry the Dirty Dog* and *We're Going on a Leaf Hunt*. For Harry, we will read an easy reader book, create a thaumatrope, make a dog headband, work with character, problem, and solution, and make a clean and dirty Harry. For leaf hunt, we will do a number and letter leaf sort, create marbled leaves, and make an edible tree with pretzels, frosting, and fruit snacks.

In Jesus Time we will be talking about the story of Daniel and the lions' den. Daniel worked for the king in Israel. He also loved the Lord, praying and praising Him often. A law was then passed that no one should worship anyone but the king, but Daniel continued to pray to the Lord. He was punished and sent to the lions' den. Because of his love for the Lord, God sent an angel and closed the lions' mouths to save Daniel. Our God is so mighty!!

Grandparents/VIPS Day is coming up THIS Thursday, November 6th. Invitations have been sent out. Please make sure your grandparents/vips RSVP for this day! We will make this a special day for students and guests, with a visit from Randall Oaks Traveling Zoo! At 11 am, our day will be completed and preschoolers may leave. This is a half day for the big school as well. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this event. Extended Care is available this day!

FEAST... Our annual Thanksgiving feast is coming 11/17. This is a teacher/aide and student only event. A reminder for your donation item will be coming home soon. Feel free to bring in your donation items anytime between now and 11/14. We will be in session regular times this day. If your child only attends half day, if they are able to stay until noon this day to enjoy our feast, that would be great! Food will be prepared ahead of time. Students will join for some fun Thanksgiving themed crafts, games, and all things 'thankful.' This will be a wonderful day!

Fall progress reports went home last week. In regards to these early evaluations, please remember that the spectrum of preschool performance is huge and progress is not always made at a steady rate. Do not be too concerned if your child has areas that need improvement. However, practice in any skill is encouraged. If you have any questions regarding your child's evaluation, please feel free to call or email me. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.☺ **Also, please sign and return the envelope by Friday, 11/14.** The papers inside are yours to keep but please return the envelopes for additional progress reports during the year.

Christmas Season is fast approaching! Our party will be held on Friday, December 19th from 8:30-10 am. At the conclusion of the party, our school day will be done for ALL students. Family members are welcome to join us for this celebration! **Christmas Book Exchange Information** will be coming soon. Please read through this note carefully! Students will pick names during class. The limit is \$5. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please let me know.☺

Chapel Offerings for this quarter will go to Hearts in Action. This mission will aid our school to serve others during National Lutheran Schools Week in January. For every \$5 brought in, a heart will be added to our poster. Our school-wide goal is \$625. If we reach our goal, each class will pick their reward (ie camping day, pajama dress day, etc).

Fine Motor Skills are an essential part of preschool learning! At home, let your child explore and grow independently. Opening doors, putting on clothes and shoes, using utensils at meal times, cutting and gluing, playing with play-doh, pinch gripping pencils and crayons...these are all ways to help your child strengthen their fine motor skills, which will aid in their classroom success.☺ The more we practice, the stronger these skills become!

For additional at home practice... There are multiple optional homework pages sent home and on our class webpage. If your child turns them in, they will receive a prize from our prize box☺ The more preschoolers practice, the stronger their skills will become!

Weather is Changing... As the weather is changing in our area, please be aware that our class has an early morning recess time. As long as weather and time permits, we will be going outside. Please make sure your child has a coat or sweater/sweatshirt of some kind and possibly hats and gloves to wear outside. If the temperature warms up by our play time, we can always 'shed' those extra layer.☺

Upcoming dates... Dine & Share 11/4 Tequila Val's. Grandparents'/VIPs day is 11/6 with early dismissal at 11 am and No School 11/7 for big school conferences. PK4 Thanksgiving feast is Monday, 11/17. Wendy's Dine & Share 11/17. Thanksgiving Break is 11/24-11/30. Preschool sings at the 10:30 am service on December 7th. Christmas party 12/19 from 8:30-10. Christmas Break 12/22-1/4.

Worship opportunities here at Immanuel are an amazing way to strengthen the Christian education. Our Saturday evening service begins at 5 pm and our Sunday morning services are held at 8 am and 10:30 am.

As Always... Let's keep our lines of communication open! Please feel free to come to me at any time with questions or concerns. We are all here for your child!