

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

November 10-14, 2025

We had such a wonderful Grandparent/VIP Day! Thanks to all who joined us! We hope your child and their guests made many memories!

This week we will learn all about the Letter T and the Number 9. We will continue working with our shape, the square, our ABB pattern, and the colors brown and blue. Next week, we will have a review week. We are continuing to work through our Heggerty curriculum. We know how to 'chop' words into syllables, how to recognize rhyme, identify beginning and ending word sounds, and are even learning nursery rhymes.

& MORE... This week, we will workshop in our journals about what we want to be when we grow up. We will science workshop as well, using thumbtacks to pop balloons. During centers, we will create our letter T alphabet book page, play in shaving cream with transportation items, create cookie towers, and create shape transportation objects. We will read Tiger Can't Sleep and Thankful Together. We will create a handprint turkey and an adorable scrap paper plate turtle.

In Jesus Time we will talk about praising the Lord. We can use our voices, our hands, and our hearts to praise the Lord. During this time of year, we especially praise the Lord for sending His son, Jesus to be our Savior. This week, we will praise God with our words, music, singing, and prayers. We give thanks and praise to the Lord for He is good! This Wednesday at 9:30 we will have chapel with Pastor Yonker. Parents are welcome to join us.

IN THE AFTERNOON this week...We will read Laura Numeroff books, If You Give a Cat a Cupcake, If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, If You Give a Pig a Party, and If You Give a Pig a Pancake. We will work with story sequencing and answer essential story questions. We will also create story puppets, 3D pancakes, cupcakes, our own cookies, and even a 'party pig.' Next week, we will have afternoons full of all things Thanksaivina!

Happy 5th Birthday to Jace! He celebrates on November 13th!

ME person for the week is Maddie. We can't wait to learn all about her!

Library Books need to be returned by THIS Friday, November 14th! Your child MUST return their book to check out a new one!

Thanksgiving Feast is NEXT Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. This is a teacher/aide and student only event. A reminder for your donation item went home last week. These items need to be brought in by THIS Friday, 11/14. We will be in session regular times this day. Food will be prepared ahead of time. 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! Students will enjoy some fun Thanksgiving themed crafts, games, and all things 'thankful.' We will be enjoying a delicious feast so no lunches are needed this day. This will be a wonderful day! ALSO...Mrs. DeMarsh will be out of town this day. Mrs. Bartelt and Mrs. Manno and all of our other PK4 staff will be on hand for this day.

**PLEASE** sign and return the progress report envelope ASAP. The papers inside are yours to keep but the envelopes are used for additional progress reports during the year.

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be coming up after Christmas break. These conferences will be in our preschool building. A note will go home soon regarding these conference dates and times. Please return the sheet with your time preferences by Thursday, 12/18. I will do my best in scheduling. If none of my times work for you, please let me know and we can work something else out. I ask that you please be understanding when it comes to scheduling, as I am scheduling many conferences.

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 \$1 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!

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...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  $7^{th}$ . 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!