

Bethel Lutheran Preschool Newsletter

October 2018

New Unit

In October we will begin a new unit about weather and the four seasons. We will be discussing colors associated with each season, the clothing worn, and recreation common to the various seasons. We can see God's handiwork in each of the seasons and have an appreciation for it.

Bible Verse:

Our Bible verse for October is, "He has made everything beautiful in its time." Ecclesiastes 3:11

Objectives

- To identify God's gift of each of the four seasons
- To understand how God provides for our needs in each season
- To develop an understanding of the weather, clothing and colors associated with each season
- To learn the colors blue and purple
- To become acquainted with the letters Aa and Bb

Paperwork & Vaccination Records

Please turn in all missing paperwork to your child's teacher or to TADS as soon as possible. This month, we must submit all vaccination records to the State of Illinois. If you have any questions about what may be missing, please ask your child's teacher. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter!

Parking Lot Procedures

Please remember that our parking lot features a one way pattern for in and out, with the entrance ONLY on the east side and the exit ONLY on the west side. We have observed some vehicles entering on the wrong side of the lot and are requesting that all parents review the traffic pattern diagram located on the school website. Please also remember to keep the fire lane in front of our preschool doors clear and park in one of the designated parking spots. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask your child's teacher. Thank you for helping us keep all of our school families safe!

Grade School Buddies

Our first grade school buddy days are coming up on October 24 and 25. Each preschooler will get to spend some one-on-one time with a 4th-8th grade buddy from the grade school, and this is always a favorite day for all of us! Weather permitting, we will take a nature walk together around the school and will spend some time dancing and having fun together in the gym.

Field Trip

The first field trip to Ackerman's Farm for our 4s and 5s pre-K classes is coming up quickly! Thank you so very much to all of you that have signed up to help us drive. Please remember to return the permission slips sent home with your children and to pay your teacher \$2 for each adult that will be coming along. If you have signed up to drive, please be sure to be to school before the departure time listed on the sign-up sheet.

Fall/Winter Attire

Your children will continue to spend time each day on the playground as long as the weather allows, so please send them to school with appropriate outdoor attire, labeled with their names to ensure that as few items are lost this fall and winter as possible.

Book Orders

Thank you so much to all of you who placed a Scholastic Book Order in September! This was one of the largest orders we have ever placed, and we greatly appreciate your support. As a result of your many orders, the preschool received 36 free books and more than 10,000 bonus points, which will soon be used to purchase additional learning materials.

Bethel Lutheran Church Sunday School

All preschool families are invited to attend Sunday School at Bethel Lutheran Church, where classes are available for children ages 3 years old through 4th grade. If you'd like more information, visit the church website at www.blcmorton.org, or join us from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on an upcoming Sunday!

No School

There will be several days that we are not in session in October due to the LEA Convocation, Columbus Day, and K-8 parent/teacher conferences (preschool conferences will be scheduled in February). Our no school days will be Friday, October 5; Monday, October 8; Thursday, October 18; and Friday, October 19.

Looking Ahead

- October 1 & 2 – preschool chapel services (9:15 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.)
- October 1 & 4 – fire truck visit
- October 5 – NO SCHOOL – LEA Convocation
- October 8 – NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day
- October 9, 10 & 12 – Ackerman Farms field trip (4s & 5s pre-K)
- October 18 & 19 – NO SCHOOL – K-8 conferences
- October 24 & 25 – grade school buddy days