

Angelic News

March 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday	March 8	NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service Day
Sunday	March 10	Daylight Savings Time begins
Friday	March 15	Re-Enrollment Deadline
Monday	March 18	Open Enrollment Begins
Monday- Friday	March 11-15	Week of the Young Child!
Monday	March 11	Favorite Color Day
Tuesday	March 12	Crazy Hair Day
Wednesday	March 13	Beach Day
Thursday	March 14	Favorite Holiday
Friday	March 15	Pajama Day
Thursday & Friday	March 21 & 22	St. Jude's Trik-a-thon

REMINDERS

HELP WANTED! It's **COMMUNITY HELPERS MONTH** at Littlest Angels. The children will become aware of a great number of occupations and the ways that these workers help us each day. Special visitors will be joining us to talk about their jobs – we hope one of them is you! All talents, hobbies, and careers are important to us. Please talk to your child's teacher if you would like to schedule a time to come in. Thanks in advance for your help!

RE-ENROLLMENT is in full swing! Open enrollment begins March 18. If you have friends or neighbors who are interested in attending Littlest Angels in the fall, please tell them to give us a call. We would love to chat with them and give them a tour of our delightful preschool.

SUMMER APPLICATIONS are now being accepted. Applications are due on Friday, April 12 for priority enrollment. If you didn't receive the summer information, please come by the preschool office and pick it up. Children age 2 through 5-year old's who will be entering Kindergarten in the Fall are able to attend. Registration is done on a first come-first served basis, so please don't delay in getting your responses to us.

IT'S NATIONAL POISON CONTROL MONTH! It is a great reminder to take a few minutes and make sure that all dangerous chemicals and drugs are out of the reach of your precious little ones. The Poison Control Hotline number is 800-222-222!

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD is coming March 11-15th! This week is all about celebrating our children and the fun of childhood! Be watching for more details about this exciting week!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK is coming and your help and great ideas would be welcomed and very appreciated! Contact Katie O'Malley if you are interested in helping at katieo@bethany-mp.org.

ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL
TRIKE~A~THON
March 21st and 22nd

The Trike~A~Thon is a fun event that teaches riding-toy safety while raising funds for St. Jude. It is also a great way to teach children about helping others. We all know that kids have the biggest hearts in the whole world and we're looking forward to another successful fund-raising event for St. Jude! Be watching for permission slips and more details.

To fill a bucket in March use Kind Words!

“Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing”.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

A few years ago, I read an article that explained how focusing on the positive, praising, and kind words can be one of the most powerful tools a teacher can use in their classroom (or a parent in their home). The next day I tried out this tool with my students and I have used it ever since! Instead of telling my students it was clean-up time and constantly asking the ones who were not cleaning to begin, I praised the ones who were cleaning up. I used a few simple, kind words... “I like the way that _____ is cleaning”, “Thank you for cleaning up”. I sang it, so my students could hear it more easily (another tool the article taught me). Immediately, I noticed the students who were not cleaning up began cleaning up! They wanted praise and to hear kind words sung to and about them! I had students showing me they were cleaning because I had not sung their name yet. They wanted to make sure I did. It was a clear reminder to me of the power of kind words. The kind words I was singing were encouraging and uplifting my students. They were far more effective than the nagging reminders I had used before.

I would like to encourage you to try this as well. Catch your children being good and praise them for it. Use kind words of encouragement, appreciation and support. Encourage and build your children up!

“Children have this amazing way of becoming exactly who we tell them they are. If we tell them they are strong, they become strong. If we tell them they are kind, they become kind. If we tell them they are capable, they become capable. Speak life into your kids, so they will have what it takes to tackle their own life one day.” –Amy Weatherly

Wishing you all wonderful start to Spring!

Katie O'Malley, Director

Little Bunnies



Planes, trains and automobiles! The Little Bunnies class will be zooming along this month with our TRANSPORTATION theme. Each week we will learn about a different form of transportation; cars and trucks, trains, boats and airplanes. We will read a lot of transportation books, including two favorites, Go Dog Go and The Wheels on the Race Car.

Our color for the month is green for St. Patrick's Day! We will make several fun green projects with shimmering shamrocks and colorful rainbows! Our Brown Bear character for this month will be "blue horse". Our shape is the Rectangle.

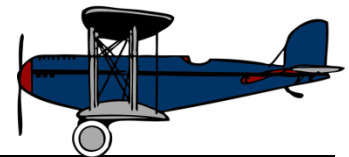
Songs:

Twinkle Traffic Light
Row Your Boat
Wheels on the Bus
I've Been Working on the Railroad
5 Little Firefighters

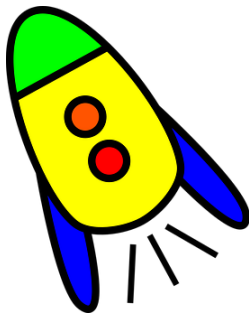
Books:

Freight Train
Where's My Truck
Row Your Boat by Jane Cabera
Row Your Boat by Iza Trapani
Down by the Station
Plane Fly

Have a blessed month,
Teacher Mindy, Teacher Teresita and Teacher Bettina



Busy Bees



I'm a little rocket!
Pointing at the moon
Now I'm getting fueled up
We'll be ready soon
When it's time to board me
Then I'll say
"BLAST OFF, ZOOM
We're on our way!"

This month's themes are Space and Community Helpers! We will be talking about the stars, planets, spaceships, and astronauts. We will also learn about how different Community Helpers help us each day. Get ready to hear all about firefighters, doctors, dentists, mail carriers, and more. We will have a lot of fun during Week of the Young Child as well! Each day will be a different, silly theme the whole school will enjoy.

In March we will be learning about:

Letter- T, U, V
Color- Yellow
Shape- Star
Virtue- Kind words

Wishing all our families a marvelous March,
Teacher Cecilia, Teacher Lori and Teacher Mercedes



Little Bears

Teachers teach us ABCs
Shapes and color. 123s.
Doctors helps us when we're sick
Medicine will do the trick.
Firefighters put out fires.
Mechanics fix our cars and tires.
Police help keep things safe for you.
What job do you want to do?

What fun we had celebrating Valentine's Day. The kids did a great job passing out Valentines to their friends.

March will be a very busy month for the Little Bears. We will be exploring different jobs that help our community as we learn about "Community Helpers", we will also have a great time celebrating Week of the Young Child and St. Patrick's Day.



We will have special visits from the Firefighters, Police Officers, and maybe even some others special helpers.

In the month of March, we will be working on:

Letters: V, W, X and Y
Color: Red
Shape: Square
Virtue: Kind Words

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all!
Teacher Ana and Teacher Aida

Little Lions

Calling all Community Helpers! Yes! We want you!



During the month of March, we will be learning about all the helpers in our neighborhood. We would love for you to come and share all about your job with the Little Lions' class. Please see Teacher Amanda if you would like more information. The children absolutely love this time, so we hope to hear from you!

During this month we will also be continuing with our letters A, M and N. The Lions are starting to write their own name on the work and they are doing a fantastic job. Our color is Red, and our shape is a Hexagon.

We have almost filled our warm fuzzy jar! We add warm fuzzies when we spot the Lions being Bucket Fillers. When it is full we will have a Pajama Day. Be on the lookout for that date!

We had so much fun sharing the love of February. I cannot tell you how cute the students were passing out their Valentine's to friends. We talked about how to be a good friend and even better, got to see it practiced in the classroom. As one of our favorite songs says, "no you can't keep Jesus love in a box, because His love will come a bubblin' through". It is so amazing to see this love grow and bubble through in our classroom!



Have a wonderful March,
Teacher Amanda and Teacher Ruth

Growing Tigers

February flew by in a flash! Between Groundhog Day, Super Bowl Sunday, Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day and our 100 days of school, we celebrated all month long!

Our theme for March will be community helpers. If you have an occupation that you would love to share with all our preschoolers, please either let Teacher Robin or Teacher Katie know so we can get you on our calendar.

Our poem will be:

Teachers teach the ABCs, Mail Carriers deliver a letter.
Hair stylist cut our hair, Doctors help us feel better.
Librarians and Police, we all need them to.
Contractors and firefighters, There's so many jobs for you.



We will be finishing up our alphabet with diagonal letters - W, X, Y, and Z.

Our March Virtue will be Kind Words. Our virtue chain has nearly made it all the way around our classroom!

Happy March ♣
Teacher Robin and Teacher Lindsay