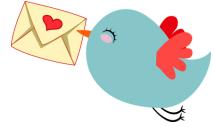


# Angelic News February 2019



#### **Dates to Remember**

Wednesday and Thursday - February 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup>	Valentine's Day Parties
Monday and Tuesday - February 18 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup>	No School - Presidents' Day Holiday
Think about re-enrollment! Be watching for re-enrollment paperwork in	
February.	
Friday - March 8 <sup>th</sup>	No school- Teacher In-service

# **Littlest Angels Christmas**

# **Family Giving Tree**

From: Families To: Families



We would like to thank all of the families at Littlest Angels for taking the time to make the wishes of 6 local families come true this Christmas. We had a dinner with the families and coordinators, where they received their gifts. It was with all your help and donations that this was possible. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Also, a Big Thank You to our wonderful coordinators, you were truly amazing. Please come and take a look at the pictures of the families enjoying their Christmas posted in the Family Center.

# **Parking Lot Reminders**

To help keep our students safe and avoid any incidents please review our parking lot reminders. Please also be sure to share this with caregivers who do drop-offs and/or pick-ups.

- 1. Park larger vehicles in the middle of the parking lot to make the entrance easier to drive through safely.
- 2. Enter and leave the parking lot with extreme caution. Be on the lookout for children.

- 3. Enter the parking lot on Avy Ave.
- 4. Exit the parking lot via the driveway that leads to Lucky Ave.
- 5. The speed limit in the parking lot is 5 MPH.
- 6. Never leave an infant or child in your car unattended. If you need help please call the preschool office.
- 7. Always hold your child's hand when going to and from your car. Do not let children run ahead of you. He or she might inadvertently run behind a car that is just backing out.

## Thank you for your help!

## I want to **SHARE** some great tips!

"You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. 'For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Sharing is a great way to fill someone's bucket! Our students will be learning about sharing this month. The Bible quote above reminds me that when teaching children how to share I need to keep in mind it needs to be a cheerful experience. Children should enjoy sharing and not feel it is something they must do because of teacher or parental pressure or expectation. With this in mind, I want to cheerfully share some fabulous tips from an article by Karen Miles, "How To Teach Your Preschooler How To Share".

(The full article is at- https://www.babycenter.com/0 how-to-teach-your-preschooler-to-share 65514.bc)

**Make sharing fun.** Teach your preschooler cooperative games in which players work together toward a common goal. Do puzzles together, taking turns adding pieces, for instance. Share projects, too: Plant the garden, paint the fence, or hose down the car with him. Finally, give him things to share with his buddies now and then, like a special snack for preschool or a roll of stickers to divvy up during a playdate.

**Don't punish stinginess.** If you tell your preschooler that he's selfish, discipline him when he doesn't share, or force him to hand over a prized possession, you'll foster resentment, not generosity. "To encourage sharing, use positive reinforcement rather than admonishment," Leiderman says. Keep in mind, too, that it's okay for your preschooler to hold back certain items. As he matures, he'll learn that sharing with friends — who are becoming increasingly important to him — is more fun than keeping things to himself.

**Set the stage.** Before a playdate, ask your preschooler if there's anything he'd rather not share, and help him find a good place to keep those special toys. Then ask him to think of some things that would be fun for him and his visitor to play with together, such as toy walkie-talkies, art and craft supplies, building blocks, and sports equipment. That will put him in a sharing frame of mind when his guest arrives. Ask his pal to bring along a toy or two of his own as well, since your preschooler may be more generous if he's not the only one doing the giving.

**Respect your preschooler's things.** If your youngster feels that his clothes, books, and toys are being manhandled, it's unlikely that he'll give them up even for a moment. So ask permission before you borrow his colored pencils, and give him the option of saying no. Make sure that siblings, friends, and babysitters respect his things too, by asking if they can use them and by taking good care of them when they do.

**Lead by example.** The best way for your preschooler to learn generosity is to witness it. So, share your ice cream with him. Offer him your scarf to fashion into a superhero's cape, and ask if you can try on his new cap. Use the word *share* to describe what you're doing, and don't forget to teach him that intangibles (like feelings, ideas, and stories) can be shared too. Most important, let him see *you* give and take, compromise, and share with others.

Wishing you all a blessed month, Katie O'Malley, Director

#### **Little Bunnies**

Our class will be a real zoo this month! We will have a wonderful time learning about so many amazing animals! Our special stories this month will be My Heart is like a Zoo, Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What do you See?, and Does a Kangaroo have a Mother too?. We'll have fun with lots of other animals too! We will learn the different animal names, sounds and movements. Animal Action will be a fun music time activity this month.

We will have our Valentine's Day parties on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be asking parents to provide special snacks for the party days so please be watching for the sign-up sheet on the parent board outside the classroom. The children are encouraged to bring Valentine cards to exchange with their classmates. This will be a fun activity for the children to "deliver mail". If your child comes only one of those days, please send 16 cards with your child and only write your child's name on each card. If you child comes on both days, please send 32 cards with only your child's name on the cards.



Love,

Teacher Mindy, Teacher Teresita and Teacher Bettina

### **Busy Bees**



Giraffes are tall with necks so long, Elephants are big and strong. Zebras have stripes and can gallop away, While monkeys in the trees do sway. Old crocodile swims in the pool so deep, Or lies in the sun and goes to sleep.

"We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo; how about you, you, you?" This month we will be learning all about the amazing animals that live at the zoo. Just maybe we'll learn to walk like some of the animals we find there too!

We will also be making lots of lovely Valentine art and sharing lots of love with one another as well.

Our Valentine's Day parties will be on February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. We will have a lot of fun passing out Valentines to our friends. If your child comes on only one day of those days, please bring 16 Valentines. If your child comes both days please bring 32 Valentines (16 for each day). Please write your child's name in the "From" section on the Valentines and nothing in the "To" section. This makes passing them out easier for teachers and students.

Our color for February is **red** and our shape is the heart. We will be learning about the letters Q, R and S and the virtue is Share!

Have a lovely month!

Teacher Cecilia, Teacher Lori and Teacher Mercedes

#### **Little Bears**

Friends, friends, friends,
So many friends to love!
I love my friends, and they love me!
I help my friends, and they help me!
Friends, friends, friends,
So many friends to love!

Happy February to all! I can't believe that we are in the second month of the new year, time sure flies when you're having fun!

Our themes will be Valentines and Castles during the month of love! We will be learning about friendship and love. We'll have lots of fun using our imagination as we read delightful fairy tales.

Our Valentine's Day parties will be on Feb. 13th and Feb. 14th. Please have your child bring Valentine's Day cards to pass out to their friends. Only put your child's name in the "From" section on the card. Please do not put a name in the "To" section.

Make sure to bring at least 16 cards and if your child comes both days, they need to bring 32 cards.

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

Letters: R, S, T, and U

Color: Pink Shape: Heart Virtue: Share

Happy Valentine's Day, Teacher Ana and Teacher Aida



#### **Little Lions**

Hearts for Me
Hearts for You
Hearts in pink, red and blue
So much love for us to share
So many ways to show we care
Everyday let someone know
And watch Jesus' love Grow!



February is our month of LOVE! And a month of parties. This month we will talk all about Valentine's Day, as well as Groundhog's Day, Chinese New Year, 100 Days of School and Presidents' Day! We are going to be some busy Lions.

Along with all these special days we will focus on our bucket filler "Sharing" and how we can take care of our friends.

Our letters this month will be B, R, and K. Our color is Pink and our shape is a Heart.

Valentine's Day is one of my favorite holidays to celebrate with preschoolers. It is the perfect opportunity to really show all our friends how much we care about them.

Be on the lookout for Valentine's party sign-ups and information about bringing Valentines to share. We will also, finally, be celebrating our 100 Days of School! There will be more information going home about this as well.

Lots of love, Teacher Amanda and Teacher Ruth

## **Growing Tigers**

We snowballed through January with a lot of snow, snowflakes and snowmen in our classroom. We also survived all the

Our theme for February will be Love and Friendship.

Our poem is:



Crayons
I had a box of crayons,
all shiny straight and new.
I lent a friend a crayon,
And oops – it broke in two!

My friend said she (he) was sorry, but I said "I don't care. Now we both can color, with one crayon we can share!!"

Our letters will be A, M, N and V. We are continuing to work on our numbers. Our virtue will be "Share".

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on February 13 and on February 14. If your child comes both days, feel free to send 17 Valentines each day. If they wish to write their friends name on the front, that is awesome but not required. Have them practice writing their name on the "from" section.

We will be celebrating 100 days of school on Friday, February 15!! 3 days of celebrating in a row!

Fill your hearts with love!!
Teacher Robin and Teacher Lindsay

