# JANUARY

## Newsletter

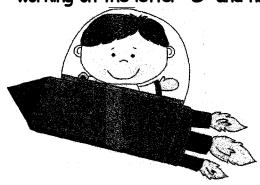
Happy New Year! We are looking forward to the New Year and all that it holds for us. The first half of our preschool year has been fun and rewarding, but it is always great to come back to school after the Christmas break. The children seem to return to preschool with such positive attitudes and a renewed eagerness for learning!

#### JESUS TIME

Our theme for Jesus Time during the month of January is "Jesus Helps Us and Heals Us." Our worship lessons will help the children learn more about the life of Jesus after His birth. We will learn about Jesus as a boy, and how He loved to worship in the temple-church and learn more about God and the Bible.

## THEME/CONCEPTS

We will learn about "Outer Space" during the month of January. We will have many special projects and activities and our lessons will include learning about planets and space. The COLORS of the month in January are BLACK and WHITE and the SHAPE is the DIAMOND. The 4 and 5 year old classes will learn the letters "S," "J," "D," and "P." and the numbers 6 through 10. The 3 year old classes will be working on the letter "S" and number 7.



Library Books - On January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, the children will go to the Children's Library in our church and be allowed to check out books, cassettes, and videos. We ask that you help your child enjoy them and continue to teach your child how to care for them, and return them (on or before) the next library day.

#### National Lutheran Schools Week

During the week of January 27th - January 31st we will celebrate Lutheran Schools Week. The theme for the week is "Joy:fully Lutheran. In *Jesus*, we are more than JOY FULL. We are also THANK FULL, PEACE FULL, FAITH FULL and HOPE FULL. Be sure to check your CHILD'S BACKPACK for special events and activities.

#### **REMINDERS**

- No School Friday, January 17th Teacher's Institute
- No School Monday, January 20th Martin Luther King bay
- Please remember to listen to the radio during adverse weather conditions. If Effingham Unit #40 Schools are closed, the Eagle's Nest Preschool will be closed. WXEF often names the Eagle's Nest Preschool closing as a courtesy.

## **BOOK ORDERS**

Book Orders Due: No later than Thursday, January 16th. Please remember to make checks payable to SCHOLASTIC.

## PARENT LENDING LIBRARY

There are many interesting and helpful parenting books available in our Parent Lending Library. The books in the hallway leading toward the 3 year old classrooms are available for parents to check out for a two week period.

#### PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021

Registration forms are being accepted for the 2020-2021 preschool year beginning in January. Registration is accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Registration is open to:

- 1. Members of St. John's during the month of January
- 2. Current Enrollees/siblings during the month of January
- 3. Effingham area community beginning February 1st If you are interested, or know of a friend or neighbor that is interested, please send your registration form and fees as soon as possible. Extra registration packets may be picked up outside the classrooms on the bulletin board, upstairs in the office or mailed to you or a friend or neighbor by calling the church office at 342-4334. Also, registration forms are available on our website @ eaglesnestpreschool.com

#### MOMMY AND ME CLASSES

Our Mommy and Me Classes will begin on Friday, February 7th. This Mini Day of preschool will allow children that are just turning 3 years old the opportunity to be introduced to preschool fun with a familiar adult at their side. The Class will meet on Fridays from 9 to 10:30 A.M. The classes will meet each Friday, February 7th through March 13th. If you would like more information about the Mommy and Me Class you may pick up a flyer outside each classroom.

## SPECIAL THANKS

Thank you for helping to make our lives a little brighter throughout the month of December. A special thanks to everyone who traveled Back to Bethlehem with us. We loved sharing the "journey" with you, your child and your family, and hope that the experience was enjoyable and meaningful.

As the New Year begins, let us pray that it will be a year with new peace and new happiness. May God Bless you throughout the New Year!

Sandy Esker