

April 2019

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28	29	30	<u>Helpers:</u> Luecking Family Tzamaras Family <u>Author:</u> Nancy Tafuri	<u>Letters:</u> A, I, N, U, X, E <u>Numbers:</u> Number Book cover & start Teens	<u>Units</u> Rain Spring Trucks	<u>Science:</u> Footprints Insects

Colors – We have finished up our color review. It has been fun. We will celebrate “favorite color day” on April 2. We would like the children to wear their favorite color or colors on that day, if possible. A list of their favorite colors will be posted on the wall outside the classroom. We will also eat a rainbow snack that day.

Monthly Helpers – What a month our helpers had. The Diek family and the Lew family did a great job planning St. Patrick’s Day, helping with Manners Day and bringing us lots of yummy snacks! Thank you for making March so special. Your helping hands were very much appreciated. The helpers for April are the Luecking family (Peyton) and the Tzamaras family (Ava).

Science – We are finishing up the unit on the human body. Next, we will do a short unit on footprints. We will learn what the footprints look like for a cat, a dog, deer, rabbit, and our own. Then, it is insect time! We will learn that insects have six legs, three body parts, usually two pairs of wings, and a four-stage life cycle. To help the children better understand how the different insects go through their life cycles, we will watch the movie “See How They Grow-Insects,” and watch real caterpillars change into butterflies. The insects we will learn about are crickets, bees, ladybugs, butterflies, and ants.

Address/Phone Numbers – We are still working on our home addresses. Next, we will be learning our phone numbers (home or cell).

Egg Day- April 15 is “Egg Day.” We will do many egg activities, act out a nursery rhyme about an egg, and taste eggs in many different states (egg salad, deviled eggs, hard-boiled eggs). *******Each child is asked to bring three (3) WHITE hard-boiled eggs into school on that day. They should be wrapped and packed so that they won’t crack.*******

Truck Day – Friday, April 26, we will have Truck Day in our back parking lot at 10:00 a.m. A variety of trucks will visit us. We will be purchasing ice cream for the class after 10:40 a.m. Parents who are bringing a 2 year old may purchase ice cream for siblings after 10:40 a.m. also.

Family Picture-Each child needs to bring in a picture of their family by April 12.

Field Trip- Our last field trip will be to Brookside Nature Center on April 4. We will meet your children at the **Nature Center** that day at 9:45. Please pick your child up @ 12:00pm at the **Gardens**.

Looking Ahead:

Family Manners Day - May 10 (11:30 in Fellowship Hall)

Whole School Picnic-May 7 (Cabin John Park) Rain date May 14.

Last Day - May 22 (Program @ 11am in the classroom)

Family Manners Day – We always wish you could be flies on the wall so you could see and hear all that goes on during our Manners Days. You would be surprised and very proud of your children. Because we would like you to experience a Manners Day with your child, we would like to invite parents, grandparents, and babysitters to attend our last Manners Day on Friday, May 10 at 11:30 a.m. (**Sorry, no younger siblings.**) We will do most of the preparation at school that day; so Janet and Erin will need a few extra hands. If anyone can help with this event, please let us know. We will need an R.S.V.P. from each family letting us know how many adults will be attending. Each family needs to send in a place setting for each person attending (including your child.) A place setting consists of a **dinner plate, a cloth napkin, a glass, and silverware**. The place setting should be wrapped and sent to school in a bag with your name on it. We need to have the place settings first thing that morning (May 10) so they should be dropped off when you bring your child to school. (It is important that the place settings arrive at the **beginning** of the school day because the children will be doing all the set up that morning.) **The R.S.V. P. sheet will be posted April 23 on the outside wall. An R.S.V.P.**
Example: Russell Family-2 adults. Mrs. Russell will need to send in 3 dinner plates, 3 cloth napkins, 3 glasses and 3 sets of silverware in a bag labeled “Russell”. This is a dress up affair for both children and adults.

Our Family Manners Day is special because after lunch we have some entertainment! You and your children will provide the entertainment. It can be a simple song, a magic trick, or telling a joke. Several families can work together. This is a very talented and imaginative class, so no-one should have trouble coming up with something to do. If you have any questions about the talent show, let us know.