



MARCH NEWSLETTER

VALLEY BAPTIST PRESCHOOL
2019



A Message from Melissa our Director

Welcome to the wonderful month of March, where the weather is unpredictable, but Spring is guaranteed to be on its way. We are ready!!! Bring on the sunshine and warmth.

This is also the month that traditionally emulates the "luck of the Irish" Even if you aren't Irish, take time to appreciate the blessings God has given you. We are so thankful to you for entrusting us with your children's education, social upbringing and spiritual growth. If you are pleased with your child's experience, please spread the word that we have preschool openings for all ages for the 2020-2021 school year. We have some terrific opportunities to partner with our families and build a tighter community. Please read about all the upcoming events and join us if you can.

HAPPENINGS IN MARCH

Upcoming Events & Calendar Changes

The following changes will be made to the calendar, fliers or emails will be sent with explanations:

- March 18th: KC Dance Spring Session
- **March 19th: FUNraiser Cancelled due to current Sickness Prevention Measures.**
- March 23rd: Soccer Shots Spring Session
- March 26th: Parent Only OT Presentation with John Robison RSVP to the office by the 19th.
- March 30 - April 3: Usbourne Book Fair
- April 6th - April 13th: Spring Break
- April 14th - Preschool resumes
- May 4th - 8th: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 13th - **NEW** Picnic Date

Health and Safety Checks and Updates

As we Spring forward, now is a good time for some health and safety check/updates/reminders:

CHECKS:

- Check your child's car safety seat for strap height and type of seat (booster vs harness).
- Please make sure your child wears tennis shoes daily to run around on the playground.
- Please check that your kiddo has a seasonally appropriate spare change of clothes.
- Remind your children to wash their hands regularly and "cough in your arm - do no harm"

UPDATES:

- Until further notice: Parents please use the hand sanitizer or wash your hands before picking up your kiddos from their classroom. Their health is our top priority and we want to keep germ exposure to a minimum while here at school.
- We had our first Shelter in Place - Safe Place Drill. The first week of March, each class went to their safe place in the classroom and practiced being quiet and following orders to stay safe.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY

April 2nd and 3rd @ 9:45 - 10:45 am

Possibility remains of a cancellation or reschedule

TBD



The kiddos are excited to have our guests participate in the festivities right along side them. If a Grandparent visit is not an option, we welcome special friends of the family or a parent to enjoy in our event. Please RSVP to the office so we can prepare for the event.

WISH LIST ITEMS

Looking for the following toys for our classrooms

- Little People - Community Helpers
- Fisher-Price Dollhouse w/ furniture
- Imaginex or comparable Space Toys
- Step 2 Love and Care Deluxe Nursery

CLASSROOM UPDATES

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One's class

Miss Beth, Miss Jen, Miss Natalie, Miss Jasmine and Miss Jessy

We are welcoming warmer weather, longer days and the arrival of Spring. This month we will explore the amazing animals God created.

WHAT WE WILL EXPLORE

- Pets, birds, zoo animals and farm animals

We have a lot of fun activities and crafts this month that your children will love. Thanks for sharing your babies with us everyday. It is truly a pleasure.

Two's class

Miss Michelle, Miss Jo, Miss Lisa and Miss Rosa

Spring is just around the corner! We look forward to more time spent on the playground and no more snow! Our themes during the month of March are as follow:

WHAT WE WILL EXPLORE

Week 1 - Dr. Seuss and Letter "P"

Week 2 - Space and Letter "Q"

Week 3 - Day/Night and Letter "R"

Week 4 - Woodland Animals and Letter "S"

As March comes to an end and Easter break is quickly approaching, our focus will be on Jesus's resurrection. We will share the message that God loves us so much that he sent his Son, Jesus, to save us.

Three's class

Miss Mia, Miss Natalie, Miss Marsha and Miss Veera

Spring is just around the corner! We look forward to more time spent on the playground and we will be doing various activities to help us get ready for the much needed warmer weather! Our themes during the month of March are as follow:

WEEKLY THEMES

- Insects
- Weather
- Spring, and
- Butterflies and Frogs

We also have a few birthdays to celebrate this month! Happy Birthday. Our color of the month is "Green"; so feel free to send your kiddo in something green as often as you'd like!



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Four's Class

Miss Marsha

As we enter the spring season, we are so excited to go outside and observe the changes that are about to occur! Thank you God for this colorful season full of life.

WEEK 1 - Insects

- We will learn that insects can be beneficial to our environment but that some insects can be harmful. We will learn about the parts of an insect.

WEEK 2 THEME - Weather

- We will learn to identify all types of weather and learn what types of weather can occur during each of our four seasons in Maryland.

WEEK 3 THEME - Maryland

- We will learn all about our state of Maryland, including fun facts and Maryland symbols.

WEEK 4 THEME - FLOWERS

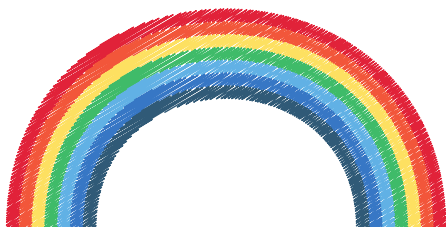
- We will learn how flowers grow, what they need to keep growing, and plant some flowers that we will be able to observe.

WEEK 4 THEME - Butterflies and Frogs

- We will learn about the growth cycle of butterflies and frogs, and learn special characteristics of each.

Language Arts and Math

- Students will be able to show comprehension and answer questions about details from a story.
- With prompting and modeling, students will illustrate and express their ideas about activities they can do in the Spring.
- Students will recognize the concept of just "after" or just "before" a given number in the counting sequence up to ten.
- Site words: I, See, The, Can, Will



PreK class

Miss Cindy and Miss Gwen

We leap into the month of March eagerly awaiting the arrival of springtime. Longer days and the first tiny buds appearing on trees and the ground, signal that the beginning of Spring is just around the corner!

Language Arts

- Letters Tt, Uu, Vv and Ww
- New Sight Words: jump, little, where, run, help, here
- Dr. Seuss
- Simple Sentences
- Punctuation

Bible

- St. Patrick and the Trinity

Science

- Rainbows (We will learn how they are formed, investigate the color wheel and use the rainbow colors to learn about eating healthy food!)
- Space/Planets
- Dinosaurs

Math

- Numbers 1-20 (Recognition & Writing),
- Symmetry and
- Using a number line.



MARCH POEM

**May the Light always find you on a dreary day
When you need to be home, may you find your way.
May you always have the courage to take a chance., AND NEVER find FROGS in your underpants!**