

April Newsletter
Bethany Preschool
Mrs. Walko's 4's MWF class



Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe April is here already and we are nearing the end of the year. There is a lot of exciting things happening here at Bethany and in our classroom. Our Bible Verse is *“For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him, shall not perish, but have eternal life. (John: 3:16).* With Easter upon us we will learn about what makes this time of year so special and why we celebrate. We will use resurrection eggs (opening 1 each day for the 12 days before Easter), and each egg contains a symbol of Jesus's resurrection. To further experience the beauty of spring, new life, and God's miracles, we are going to be getting a class caterpillar cage and watch as they grow, form a chrysalis, and emerge as a butterflies. We will then let the class release them. We will be doing several fun, Easter crafts in the classroom. Academically, we will be continuing with our alphabet study with letters V-Y. We will continue to review our past letters and our new ones with writing, and the phonetic sounds they make. We will use a multitude of learning centers to help reinforce these skills. We will also begin to learn about the life cycle of plants.

Easter Celebration – On Wednesday, April 13th we will be having a classroom Easter celebration. I will be sending out a sign up genius to ask for a few things for the party as well as some candy for our outdoor easter egg hunt. We do not have a date yet for our Easter Egg hunt, but it is tentatively going to be on the Wednesday before Easter break. It is just a small one outside for each class.

Mother's Tea – On Friday, April 29th we will be having a special Mother's Morning. Each child can bring mom, grandma, a sister, or special person. We will be having the kids perform a little something special they have been working on, we will do a craft, play a game, and then we will have some refreshments. This will begin at 9:30am and go till about 10:30. You can bring your child with you at 9:30 and take them home afterwards.

Birthdays – As a class we like to celebrate the kids birthdays and give them a little something from us teachers. Each kid gets the opportunity to bring in a special treat on that day if they would like. I like to include all my summer birthday kids and ones who may have a late may or early September birthday. I will spread these kids out through the end of April and May to celebrate. If you happen to see your child's name on the snack schedule and it says Bday by it, then that is the day we will choose to celebrate their Birthday. If you would like to send in a special treat on that day you absolutely can, but it isn't in any way required.