

St. John's Lutheran School

Early Childhood Program

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Happy New Year

Preschool 2 Class –



Colder weather brings a chance to learn more about buttoning and zipping coats and wearing gloves. The days we can get outside are fewer and the active play we do inside increases.

Since Christmas, the class has focused on Gingerbread, Winter weather, Winter animals, and Winter sports. We are gearing up for special days during Lutheran Schools week and getting ready for Valentines Day. Our fine motor skills have improved and our language skills have exploded!

We are all more independent and creative with our play, building, and art.

We love dancing, singing and taking care of our class guinea pigs, Rufus and Peanut Butter.



Upcoming Events

January 26th – Feb. 1st

National Lutheran Schools Week

January 28th

PTL School Skate Night

January 31st & Feb. 1st

Winter VBS

February 1st

Family Summit

February 3rd

Culver's Night

February 7th

Kids Heart Challenge

February 9th

Sausage Dinner

Feb. 11th & 20th

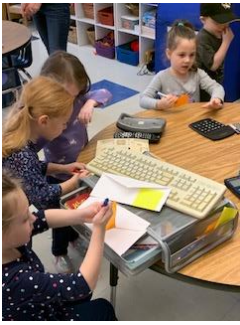
Preschool Chapel Chats

February 17th

No School – Presidents Day



Preschool 3 Class –



The class was excited to return after the break and talk about their Christmas's. We transitioned into lessons that helped us learn more about winter weather and winter animals. There was also more focus on the New Year and the difference between new and old.



It has been fun to explore “old” technology with adding machines, keyboards, and office equipment that lead to a designated business/office space in the class.

The “old” technology of overhead projectors was a great way to explore pictures and shadows, too.

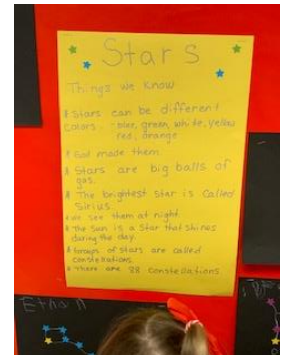
The class even enjoyed playing with “new” toys that were “old” baby toys.



Preschool 4 Class –



Our Bible focus when we returned from break was Epiphany. This group, ran with learning about stars and stretched it into a two week theme that then lead into darkness, planets, outer space and astronauts. They are now transitioning to winter weather and winter animals.



We continue to gear up for Kindergarten by adding more writing and illustrating to our lessons and adding more math concepts to our planning.

We have spent more time doing group games in the gym with the colder weather limiting our outside time. We did do an awesome job building our own class snowman!



Preschool 4 Class– Half Day



The solar system was also a hot topic in the half day class. Exploring planets, stars, and the Milky Way galaxy lead to conversations about gravity, atmosphere, astronauts, asteroids, and the International space station. Thanks to You Tube the class was able to do a virtual tour with the crew.



Building rocket ships, creating constellations with stickers, making a group solar system mural, and re-creating moon surfaces with moon sand were some other highlights from this theme.

In the 2nd semester the class started working on and sharing book reports in class. The goal is to do 10 by the end of the year to earn ice cream from Culver's. Next up, the class will be working on projects to represent the 100th day of school.



Winter VBS

Focus and see Jesus clearly this New year! Join us for winter VBS at St. John's on **Friday, January 31 from 5:30-8 pm** and **Saturday, February 1 from 8:30 am-12 pm** where there will be theme-integrated Bible stories, crafts, games, music, snacks, and more! This FREE event is open to all children age 3 (and toilet trained) through fourth grade.

<https://www.sjlarnold.org/events.html>



National Lutheran School Week:

Monday Jan. 27th – Crazy Day

Tuesday, Jan. 28th – Pajamas Day
PTL Skate Night 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 29th – 60-s and 70's Day

Thursday, January 30th – Blue and White Day
or Faith T-shirt day. * 100th Day of School

Friday, January 31st – Hats and Hoodie Day

Saturday, February 1st: Preschool Students
sing at the 5:00 service

