

4 Year Old Pre-K AM Class

January 3rd - January 17th

Welcome Back!! I hope that everyone had a blessed Christmas with their family! We truly have been blessed knowing that Jesus our Savior was born for you and me! I would like to say thank you to everyone for remembering me with such special gifts. I am truly blessed with such special little ones to teach, as well as their wonderful parents.

THEME: Penguins/Arctic Animals

Brrrr... it's cold outside. As cold as it is here, we can't imagine what it would be like to live in the Arctic! In Pre-K4, we will be diving into a fun-filled unit on penguins, and other arctic animals. During our group time, the students will be learning many interesting facts about penguins. We will discuss that there are many different kinds of penguins. Penguins are birds, but they can't fly. They use their wings as flippers to swim underwater. Penguins nest and raise their young in colonies. They eat fish, krill, and squid. For an art project, we will be making a handprint penguin. The children will also be practicing their writing, while they make a penguin mini-book to find out what penguin sees.

During group time, we will discuss that the arctic is one of the chilliest places on earth. The polar bear is the largest land living animal living in the arctic. He loves to swim in the freezing water and roll in the snow. We will discuss many other amazing arctic animals, like the arctic fox, arctic wolf, arctic hare, walrus, and the beluga whale. Arctic animals keep warm because they have lots of fur, fat, or feathers. Did you know that the walrus is nicknamed the tooth walker?" The walrus hooks their tusks into the ice to pull themselves out of the water. For an art project, the children will be making a paper plate walrus. They will also be cutting and pasting, as they sort polar bears from smallest to largest.

We will be concentrating on recognizing and writing numbers in the upcoming weeks, writing some sight words, as well as continuing to work on recognizing letters and the sounds each letter makes. We will also be dividing words in syllables.

Now that the weather is turning colder, and we may have snow in the forecast, please remember to follow the closings for St. John's Lutheran School. I will send a note home in advance, if I would like you to bring outdoor snow pants, boots, etc. for your child for the day.

ALPHABET SHOW AND TELL

Letter M/m – Friday, Jan. 5th

Letter N/n – Wed., Jan. 10th
Letter O/o – Wed., Jan. 17th

Devotions

Jesus Grows as a Child

Luke 2:40, 52

The child (Jesus) grew and became strong. Luke 2:40

The Boy Jesus at the Temple

Luke 2:41-52

Hear the word of the Lord.

Jeremiah 7:2

A Look Ahead!

January 22nd through January 26th - National Lutheran Schools Week

Friday, February 12th - NO School

Blessings on the New Year!

Mrs. Steger

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