

Little Lamb Nursery School

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The Lamb January 2019 No Birthdays



Calendar

January 2 - (Wednesday) – Classes resume for all students

Favorite Christmas toy show and tell - please have your child select one favorite Christmas toy that can be safely transported to and from school.

January 3 - (Thursday) – Library-Each child will sign out two library books

January 14 - (Monday) - Your child needs one pair of gloves or mittens to use in class activity today - they will be returned

January 10 - (Thursday) - Library

January 17 - (Thursday) - Library

January 21- (Monday) - Martin Luther King Birthday - **classes are in session.**

January 24 - (Thursday) – Library


January 28 - (Monday) - Show and tell - each child needs an object or picture of an animal that lives in the arctic habitat. FYI—penguins do not live in the arctic region

January 31 - Thursday) - Library

FYI -  February 13 - Valentine exchange - classmate names will be in the February newsletter.

February 18 - President's Day holiday - no school or first school makeup day if needed

Announcements

- I. In case of inclement weather, please check the local tv and radio stations or the SVSD morning robo call for the status of Schuylkill Valley Schools. If Schuylkill Valley School District is closed because of weather conditions then LLNS will be closed. If there is a two-hour delay at SV due to weather conditions the morning class will be canceled. However, the afternoon class will be in session. Since road and weather conditions vary throughout the county, please use your judgment concerning whether you can safely transport your child to LLNS. The Little Lamb status will also be listed on the Little Lamb Facebook page. 
- II. Don't forget to sign up for the monthly snack donations. Be sure to indicate if the snack is for a birthday. Please include juice or milk.
- III. THANKS TO ALL OF OUR COOKIE BAKING VOLUNTEERS! Our left-over cookies were donated to the residents at Berks Leisure Living Center in Bern Township.
- IV. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up and clean up after our Christmas party. Your help is greatly appreciated by the staff.
- V. Applications for the 2019-2020 school year will be available by February 1st for the members of Epler's Church family and families of currently enrolled students. These children will be given first opportunity at enrollment. Please see Mrs. Lash for the application papers. General enrollment will become effective after February 28th for new students. If you know anyone who wishes to enroll a new student, please leave his or her name, address, and telephone number with the church secretary or with Mrs. Lash or have them call 610-926-1135 (Mrs. Lash) or 610-926-1006 (Church). These applications will be mailed out to them. Enrollment will be based on the order in which applications are returned. Enrollment forms are listed on the Epler's Church website-(eperschurch.org) and can be printed out for your convenience. If you have questions please contact the church or Mrs. Lash for more information.
- VI. We are still collecting Redner's and Giant tapes.
- VII. Thank you to all who helped with our RADA fundraiser. Fundraisers help us stretch our budget dollars to help us run a meaningful preschool program.
- VIII. Please read your monthly LLNS newsletter for current dates and special events throughout the remaining school year. **Save it or mark your home calendars**

so you and your child will be up to date. Our newsletter will now be posted to the eplerschurch.org website for your convenience.

- IX. Our teaching staff would like to thank everyone for the many holiday hugs, seasonal wishes, and delightful gifts we received. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.
- X. We definitely need 5 oz paper cups this month.
- XI. We need to collect 30 lids from 1 lb sour cream containers, deli container lids. 8 oz butter/margarine lids etc. We need these lids for a craft in February

CLASS NOTES

In December the children had fun with the book the Napping House by Audrey and Don Wood. I believe many of them had memorized the story by the time we were finished with the book and activities related to it. We discussed hibernation and migration as we talked about how animals get ready for winter. Our students had enjoyed using the different kinds of bells we had for our holiday song time.

Our Thursday class learned the nursery rhyme, “Jack be nimble, Jack be quick”. As part of this unit the children jumped over candles of various heights. We are working on having the children jump with two feet together. For some students this is a difficult concept to master. The students were quite proud of the glass jar candle holder they made to take home.

In January we will do activities related to winter, snowmen, and arctic animals. We will begin learning to use scissors properly and safely. Our scissors rules in school include the following:

1. Scissors are not for cutting hair, clothing, or skin
2. Scissors are used with one hand only
3. Scissors are a tool not a toy.
4. Students must walk when carrying scissors.
5. The thumb must be on top when cutting with scissors.



We have been doing many fine motor skills so far this year to build up finger, hand, arm and shoulder strength in order to promote correct and easier use of scissors and writing tools. We will continue to work on fine motor skills through the remainder of the school year so our students can become more successful and less tired when doing cutting or writing tasks.

Books enjoyed in December include:

Bear Snores on - Chapman and Wilson

The Napping House - Audrey and Don Wood

Santa’s Favorite Story - The Story of the First Christmas - Aoki

Bear Stays Up for Christmas - Chapman and Wilson

Sam the Most Scaredy-cat Kid in the Whole World - Mo Willems

Windblown - Edouard Manceau



Busy Animals: Learning About Animals in the Autumn - Bullard
Winter Dance - Ballard and Jones
Who Ate all the Cookie Dough? - Karen Beaumont

The Thursday students enjoyed:
Augustus and His Smile - Catherine Raynor
Who is The Beast - Keith Baker

A video we all enjoyed:
Twas the Night Before Christmas (with Joel Grey)

Questions? Feel free to contact
LLNS STAFF

HAPPY
A New Year