

April 2018 Wings Newsletter

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From the Director:

What an odd winter! It started out like a lamb, and then we were hit with a busier snow season! Then March came in like a lion, and remained a lion until the last few days; March finally went out like a lamb! Whew!

We now start heading into the end of the year. As we make our way into April, our 4 year olds will study community helpers and then transportation. We have 2 exciting walking trips scheduled for our 4 year olds: one in the beginning of April to the post office and another one to our public library in May. Our 3 year olds will enjoy a wonderful classic literature unit and then a colors and baby animals unit. Our MMO program will continue to meet every Wednesday from now through May 30th, minus the Wednesday over Spring Break.

This is the time of year where we really begin to look for signs of spring. When we are outside, we will intentionally have your children looking for flower buds, new grass, little bugs and insects. God's creation is very exciting this time of year and we so enjoy sharing our excitement with your angels.

~Jennifer Bujno
Director

Upcoming Events

April 1st: April Tuition Due

April 2nd – April 6th: Spring Break/No School

April 9th: School Resumes

April 11th, 18th, 25th: MMO Program

April 12th and 13th: 3's Teddy Bear Day

April 16th: 4's Walking trip to the post office.

April 17th: Mrs. Bujno's class celebrates "Too Wacky Tuesday"

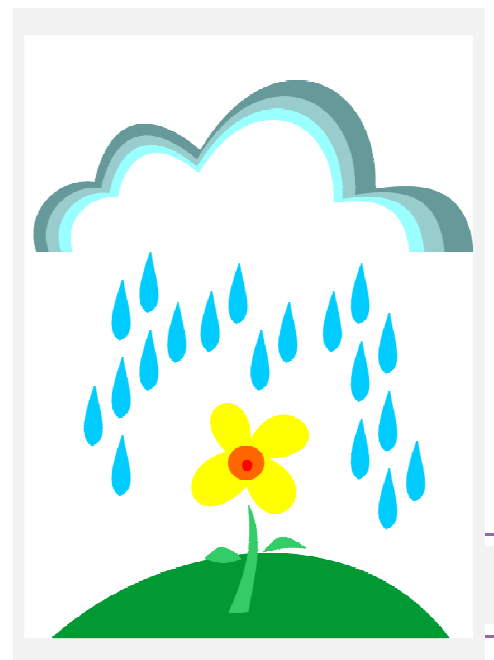
April 18th: Mrs. Cogan's 4 yr old classes celebrate "Wacky Wednesday"

April 19th – 20th: April Creative Family Fun Projects due

April 23rd: 4's Grocery Store Day

April 27th: 4's Doctor's Day

April 30th: 4's Farmer's Day



April Bible Verse: "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."
Psalm 118:24



A Sign of Spring

Here at Heaven Sent, a sure sign of spring is not the first robin; not the early crocuses; not the buds of leaves on the trees; but kids with mulch stains on their knees, shoes, bottoms, etc. If you have clothes or shoes that you REALLY value, please save them for church or parties, and send the kids to school in things that no one will get upset about if they get stained. In addition, a reminder to have your child wear shoes that will be safe for climbing and jumping on our playground. Children in backless shoes, clogs, shoes with heels, or long narrow skirts will be restricted on the playground.

In addition, those adorable little sandals or "open" sneakers don't work well on our playground. The children spend much of their playtime sitting down somewhere wiping off the mulch that has crept into their shoes. Sneakers or other closed shoes are your best bet for both safety and comfort.

DID YOU KNOW?

Every day that we play outside, every child in this school puts on his/her own jacket to go outdoors to play, and then takes off his or her own jacket and hangs it up on his or her own? Are you still helping put on or take off jackets when you drop off/pick up? Allow him/her to show you how well (s)he can do it-"all by myself!" They've got this skill down now!

SPEAKING OF COATS

We remind you that as you purchase new spring jackets, please take a minute to write your child's name inside the jacket. The children sometimes forget which jackets they wore to school, and we can't help them without identification on the garment.

A SELECTION FROM "The Ten Worst Discipline Mistakes"

1. PRAISING TOO MUCH OR TOO LITTLE

"You put your dirty clothes in the hamper? Wow! You're the best!" To bolster self-esteem, parents sometimes turn kids into praise junkies. "A praise dependent child doesn't pursue goals for her own satisfaction", explains psychotherapist James Windell. She may expect lavish thanks for routine chores or be unable to finish a task without more approval. Overcriticizing can also be harmful. "If you only point out how kids fall short, failure becomes a self fulfilling prophecy", says Windell. Compliments should outweigh corrections by about three to one. If your ratio is far higher, your praise may be insincere or exaggerated; if lower, you may be too critical. Give praise a reality check. Often, a simple thank-you will do. And consider the child's age. A six year old learning to wash windows should be commended despite some smudges; not so for a sloppy ten year old who knows s/he's capable of better.

**APRIL CREATIVE FAMILY FUN PROJECT for our 3 and 4 year old programs:
Due APRIL 19th/20th**

TOPIC: find something you'd recycle and make something from it!

