



# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

We seek to help parents in raising  
and nurturing one of God's greatest gifts:  
the gift of children.



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## February Fun!

This month we'll be having a health and wellness focus. We'll be using My Plate to help discuss the types of foods we should eat regularly to stay healthy, along with which foods are examples of things we should choose "sometimes" only. We'll talk about dental health, and balance in our lives with exercise, eating, and sleeping. We have a busy month – donuts with grownups, Valentine's Day parties on the 14<sup>th</sup>, a special therapy dog visit and a pajama day!

Valentine's Day – Students need only sign their name on Valentine cards. There are 11 friends in Mrs. Pendergrass' class and 12 in Mrs. Chambers' class. We will make a bag for valentines to go in at school. Parents may contact their child's teacher if they'd like to provide something special for our party at preschool on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mid year assessments are just starting in our three year old class, and finishing up in our four year old class. This will be the first formal assessment for the three year old class. The four year old class repeats the assessment done in September to assess progress on goals for kindergarten readiness. Once assessments are completed, teachers will be scheduling conferences for either this month or the beginning of March.

## Field Trip

We're looking forward to a new field trip for us this month. With our wellness focus – it will combine a nature walk and indoor musical movers program inside at French Creek Nature Center in Sheffield. Please plan to come dressed for the weather (boots are a great idea as the preschoolers typically go off trail to learn how to drive a spile into a maple tree to collect sap). We will go into the sugar shack, for part of the field trip and masks will be required inside there for adults and preschoolers. The metroparks is offering a limited number of these opportunities this year. The field trip is scheduled for 10am-11:15am on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.



## Church News

Sunday morning worship services are held at 10:30am at Emmanuel Lutheran. Information about Ash Wednesday and Lenten services will be available on the church website.

## News to Note

- **Registration forms for the fall will be sent home this month. We give priority to current enrolled families with class registration, so if you plan to enroll, please turn the forms in promptly as we release registration to the general public a week after the registration goes to current families.**
- **If you need tuition payment information for tax purposes, please let your child's teacher know. We should be able to provide the information within a few school days.**

The Q & U Wedding was a big hit!



## Upcoming Events

### **Donuts with Grown-ups – Tuesday, 2/6**

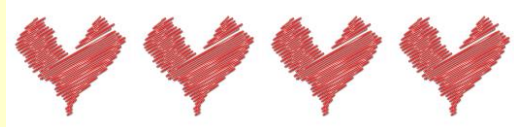
Each preschooler may have one guest join them at the beginning of the day for approximately half an hour for a craft activity and donut.

### **Super Fun! - Wednesday, 2/6**

We will have a few activities related to the big game throughout our day. If your child has a favorite football related clothing they want to wear, they're welcome to, but please don't rush out to buy something.

### **Valentine's Day Party – Monday, 2/14**

Please work with your child to sign their name on their Valentines (there are 11 children in Mrs. Pendergrass's class and 12 in Mrs. Chambers' class). They do not need to write the person that it is to in order to make passing them out easier. Pencils or a small treat are allowed (but by no means necessary!).



### **No School – President's Day – Monday, 2/19**

### **Therapy Dog Visit - Tuesday, 2/20**

Our therapy dog friend that visited in the fall, Emerson, will be back with Miss Shannon to help us as we focus on emotional health and well being.

### **Pajama Day - Wednesday, 2/21**

Children may wear their pajamas to preschool and bring a small stuffed animal. Pajamas should be something they can still wear shoes with and that they can use the restroom independently while wearing.

### **French Creek Musical Moves Field Trip**

Wednesday, 2/28 10am at 4530 Colorado Ave. in Sheffield. The field trip is planned for both in and outdoors, so please plan to dress accordingly.