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# NEWSLETTER



We celebrate *National Lutheran Schools Week* this month! We are thankful to be a Lutheran School where we are able to pray and hear God's word as we learn. We are also grateful for our families and the privilege of teaching your children.

It's important to us to provide the very best environment for our students. In part, we do this by continuing to grow and learn as educators. The LMS staff attends in-service training the

last Wednesday of every month and is attending the Annual Utah Early Childhood Conference on March 3. As director, I also attend the Annual ELEA Pastor and Administrators Conference and will be out of the office February 27-March 3. I look forward to connecting with other directors and to the classes offered.

Also, we congratulate three of our teachers, Carlee Bell, Sabrina Bell and Heather Gee for earning their CDA credential in early childhood education! Way to go!

March is a busy, fun-filled month! Make sure you mark your calendar with all of the important dates in this newsletter!

In His Service, *Barb*

#### Lutheran Schools Week

God's Kids.  
.....  
Our Kids.



**Monday, March 5th**—Western Day!

**Tuesday, March 6th**—Beach/Hawaiian Day!

**Wednesday, March 7th**—Wacky Wednesday!

(Dress backwards, mismatched, silly dress, etc.)

**Thursday, March 8th**—Crazy Hair Day!

**Friday, March 9th**—Pajama/Stuffed Animal Day!



*It's Storytime  
with the Anderson  
Foothill Library,  
Monday,  
March 12th*

## PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES March 12-16

We ask your consideration in keeping your scheduled appointment and arriving on time. Our teacher's time before & after school is limited, and you may be scheduled back-to-back with another parent. Check out the Usborne Book Fair while you're waiting!!

Thank you



## Hogle Zoo On-site Field Trip

Monday and Tuesday, March 5th & 6th

## USBORNE BOOK FAIR MARCH 12-16

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL

This is an excellent opportunity to purchase quality educational books, games, crafts, etc. for your child. It's also a great time to get an early start on your Summer reading collection! Let Me Shine benefits from your purchases by earning points towards books for the classrooms. **HELPERS ARE NEEDED!!** Miss Barb will soon post a sign up sheet for those able to work at the Fair assisting with sales. **This is also a good way to earn your volunteer hours!**



March 11<sup>th</sup>  
Daylight  
Savings Time  
begins



Remember to  
change your  
clocks!

## NO SCHOOL Easter Break March 26-30

*School resumes Mon. April 2*

## Winter Gear Continues

Spring is around the corner, but if you have spent more than 15 minutes in Utah you know that Winter is not done yet! Bring appropriate clothing everyday! Kids will play outside EVERYDAY (except when it's raining, there is a bad air quality alert or the temperature drops below 20°). Fresh air and exercise are always the best! Tip: Snow Boots are needed only when there's snow – and snow pants are recommended when there is substantial snow. Always, always, LABEL, LABEL, LABEL your children's winter stuff with their name. POW!



Thursday,  
March  
8th



### Need a little extra time in the morn- ing?

Drop off time is anytime between 8:00 am—8:45 am. Please sign your child in as usual on the clip board at the sign-in table and bring him/her down to Miss Sabrina's Room #8. **Morning Bunch** has story time, color time and game time! Make sure your child has breakfast before they come! Your child is escorted to their classroom to begin their school day at 9:00 am. You will receive an invoice at the end of each month.

## LUNCHBUNCH

Do you need an extra hour after school for a hair appointment, doctor's appointment, etc.? Try out the **Let Me Shine Lunch Bunch program!**

Lunch Bunch is a hit with kids, and it is so easy to do. Pack a lunch for your child, buy a yellow lunch ticket in the office, and that's it! We'll take care of the rest. You don't need to come until 1:00 for pick-up, and the lunch bunch kids will be downstairs in the Terrace Room. Lunch Bunch is a lot of fun for the kids because we play games, have fun and interesting activities, and the kids get to eat their lunch together in a social setting! Our fabulous Lunch Bunch staff of Holly, Sabrina, Chris, and Heather help the kids open their lunches (eating the "healthy stuff" first!), then the kids get to do floor tumbling, art, fun games, story time, even some science activities! Lunch Bunch costs \$6.50 for one ticket, but if you buy the tickets in a pack of 10, the price is \$60.00 (a savings of \$5.00). We'd love to have you! If you have any questions about lunch bunch, please ask Barb, Holly, or any of the teachers for information!

From Dr. Laura Markham's **Peaceful Parents, Happy Kids**, please read and consider including these 10 Routines that will strengthen a Parent-Child Relationship. (continued)

**3. Turn off technology when you interact.** Your child will remember for the rest of her life that she was important enough to her parents that they turned off their phone to listen to her. Even turning off music in the car can be a powerful invitation to connect, because the lack of eye contact in a car takes the pressure off, so kids (and adults) are more likely to open up and share.


**4. Connect before transitions.** Kids have a hard time transitioning from one thing to another. If you look him in the eye, use his name, and connect with him, then get him giggling, you'll make sure he has the inner resources to manage himself through a transition.

**5. Make time for one-on-one time.** Do whatever you need to do to schedule 15 minutes with each child, separately, every day. Alternate doing what your child wants and doing what you want during that time. On her days, just pour your love into her and let her direct. On your days resist the urge to structure the time with activities. Instead, try any physical activity or game that gets her laughing.

Next Month #6, #7, & #8

### TUITION PAYMENT INFORMATION: (Remember to pay April's tuition before March 10)

Tuition is due the first of each month with a ten day grace period. Tuition received after the tenth of the month will be assessed a late fee of \$20.00. Tuition is paid in nine equal installments, August-April. April's payment is the last tuition payment for the year. If you have any questions about your payments, please see Holly in the preschool office!



## Miss Anne's Busy Bees

We've had so much fun celebrating love and friendship! This group is so thoughtful and kind! Valentine's Day was a highlight with special treats at snack, playing games, and making valentines! We also celebrated three more birthdays with Henry M., Sarah, and Emily all turning 5! The kids also enjoyed leading chapel this month and coming up with our own sign language for our Bible verse: "I call you by name. You are mine." (Isaiah 43:1) We will continue to explore God's great love for us as we enter Lent and look forward to Easter! March will bring on many new adventures as we continue with letters "Q, q" (our friendship quilt), "R, r" (rain and rainbows), and "S,s" (signs of spring!).

Thank you for sharing your children with me!

Blessings,



Miss Anne

## Miss Heather's Happy Hedgehogs



February went by so fast! The children enjoyed our Valentine's parties and giving cards to their friends. It is wonderful to watch them sharing and thinking about others. Thank you so much for all the fun gifts and treats! March is a very busy month and we are looking forward to many fun days. Lutheran Schools Week is March 5-9. The school will have a different theme each day if the kids want to dress up. Parent-Teacher Conferences are March 12-16. Please sign up to meet with me. We are also having a book fair that week. With spring right around the corner (hopefully!) it is a joyous time of hope and renewal. In March, we will learn about new life in the meadow and the pond. We will begin talking about Easter and Jesus' resurrection. I pray that the children will hear the message "Jesus is alive!"

In His Service,

Miss Heather



## Miss Kristina's Birds

Dear Parents,



The Birds and I had lots of fun in February with our "Things That Move" theme. They LOVED the big trucks book and playing with "snow" (aka, shaving cream) and cars in the sensory bin. Other favorites this month were: decorating (and eating) cookies on Valentine's Day, play dough, music class and shooting cars through the big tube. It's so fun to see how the class is coming together, and the more reserved and shy friends are joining in the games that they see their friends playing. I love how friendly everyone is becoming - even if they can't always express themselves in the way they want to, all of the kids try to solve little "disagreements" (like who had the red car first, because I really think it's mine :)... ) in a constructive way.

In March we'll experiment more with different colors and we'll hopefully see first signs of spring! A big highlight will be our on-site field trip with the Hogle Zoo. It's always fascinating for the children to come up close with some of the animals.

Please continue to bring appropriate clothing for the colder days that are sometimes still coming in March! Especially on our daily bus ride it can be a little chilly.

Blessings,

Miss Kristina



## Miss Alia

Music continues to be a great time each week where we come together to learn Hi, Lo, Fast and Slow and so much more! This month we met Alligator Al and a quiet and sneaky crocodile named Charlie. Ask your kids about it and see if they can repeat the songs for you! Here's a rhyme that we've been practicing and you can do with your little ones at home:

"One potato, two potato, three potato four. Five potato, six potato, seven potato more. Eight potato, nine potato, here comes number ten...hot potato! Hot potato! Do it all again!"

Thank you for the opportunity to work with your children each week!

"Sing"-cerely, Miss Alia



## Miss Chris's Critters

I am preparing for March to be a productive month! We will be focusing on the letters: "U," "V," "W", and "X". In addition, we will continue to work on our last names and phone numbers. A few dates to remember, March 5-9 is Lutheran school week, March 12-16 is Parent/Teacher Conferences so look for the signup sheet and lastly March 26-30 is Easter break. Please continue to help your child write his and her first and last name at home. Thank you for sharing your children with me!

Continued Blessings,

Miss Chris



## Miss Megan's Fox Den

Fox Den Families,

Another month has flown by! Luckily we were able to sneak a little bit of snow in the month of February. This next month is busy, busy, and I am so looking forward to it. We will be having Lutheran Schools Week March 5-9th, and Barb will send out a schedule for our celebration! Hogle Zoo is coming on March 5th to join in our amazing celebration! Parent Teacher Conferences are this month, I will be reaching out to you all and will have a sign-up sheet available with different dates and times. We are also celebrating St. Patrick's Day and having a 5 Senses study! As always, I am always available to talk if you have any questions or concerns.

God's blessings, Miss Megan

## Miss Carlee's Owlets

Hi! What a wonderful month of celebrating love and God's love for us. The month of March is going to be a fun one with Lutheran Schools Week and the Book Fair. Watch for the Parent/Teacher Conference sign-up sheet too. We have had fun playing with castles and princesses and will start learning some nursery rhymes. Your children are so special and have grown a lot this year.

Blessings,

Miss Carlee







## Miss Sabrina's Sweeties

Hi Parents,

What a wonderful time we had in February and sharing God's love with Valentine's Day. Thank you parents for all the wonderful treats I received. A quick recap of what we learned in February. Nightcrawlers for the letter "N," it helps remind us to be fishers of men. One of my favorites is the letter "O." We talked about the owl and how he is wise and we can gain our wisdom from the Bible and the Lord — Our Wise Lord = OWL. The letter "P" is for pig. We read the story "If You Give a Pig a Pancake" and had some pancakes for a treat. We also read the story of the prodigal son, and how God loves us even if we make bad choices. Like the pig who gets dirty, God can wash away our sins if we ask for forgiveness. My favorite bird, the quail, is for the letter "Q." I have loved seeing the kids grow in so many ways; but most importantly in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



Working 4 Him Together!

Miss Sabrina



## Miss April's Raccoons

Hello Raccoon Families! MARCH!!!!!! I can't believe it! And we have a very busy month ahead. We have been trucking right along with our alphabet and will be studying letters "S," "T," and "U" this month. Also, our class will be hosting chapel on March 6th at 11:40. Please come and let your kids teach YOU a bible lesson! We have several events this month as well, including a visit from Hogle Zoo on March 6th. Lutheran Schools week is March 5-9, so stay tuned for some fun activities each day! Parent/Teacher Conferences AND Book Fair are the 12th-16th, and we have Easter Break the 25th-31st. I will have signup sheets for Conferences available by March 1st. As far as classroom reminders go...we finally got some more snow, so please remember to pack boots, snow pants, hats, gloves, and jackets so that your child may play in the snow. Also, if your child has used any of their spare clothes this year, please bring another set so we have an extra. As always, please feel free to email me with any questions or concerns. And thank you again for sharing your children with me!

Miss April

## Miss Kristina's Ladybugs



February was such a heartwarming month in our class! I hope you enjoyed reading the kiddos affirmations for each other in the hallway. Their thoughtful comments and compliments were truly touching. March is a busy and exciting month for us! We will begin to really focus in on our pencil grip and the mechanics of pre-writing strokes. Parent/Teacher Conferences are the week of March 12th. Many of you have already signed up for time slots, and I can't wait to meet and discuss the progress your student has made! The first week of March is Lutheran Schools Week — which we will be celebrating in lots of fun ways. Keep an eye out for an e-mail detailing the special themes for each day. Then we will be gearing up for a study of birds for the rest of the month, complete with a bird watching expedition. Keep an eye open for the March Volunteer Sign-Up sheet and come have fun with us!



Miss Kristina

## Worship with Us! Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome!

*Morning Prayer with Communion*

8:15 am

&

Traditional worship

10:30 am

Sunday School for ages 2 and up

9:15 to 10:15 am

**Wednesday Lenten Worship**

February 21 thru March 21

**6:00 pm Soup Supper**

**7:00-7:30 evening prayer with worship**

All ages welcome

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**Zion Holy Week Worship:**

Palm Sunday— March 25

8:15am & 10:30am

Maundy Thursday —March 29

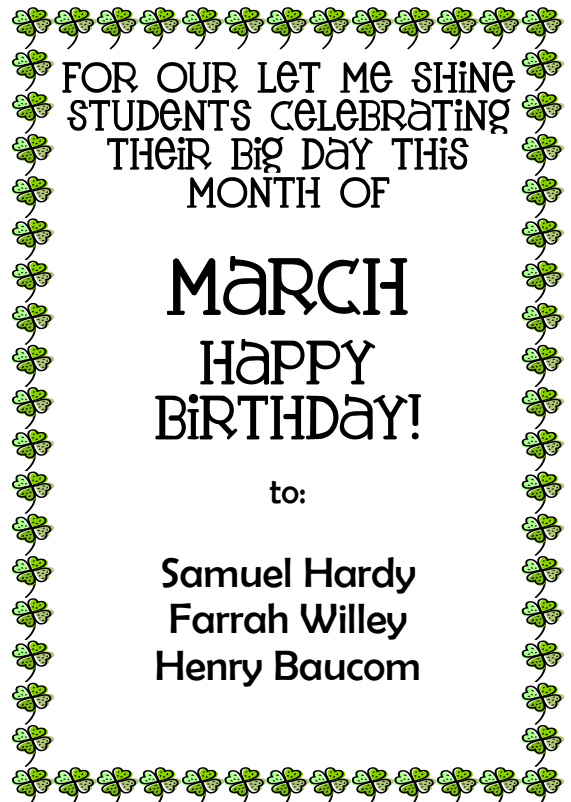
6pm Soup Supper, 7pm Worship

Good Friday —March 30

Noon & 7pm

Easter Sunday-April 1

8:15 am & 10:30am



FOR OUR LET ME SHINE  
STUDENTS CELEBRATING  
THEIR BIG DAY THIS  
MONTH OF

**MARCH  
HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY!**

to:

**Samuel Hardy  
Farrah Willey  
Henry Baucom**