

Park Lake Post



**Park Lake
Presbyterian
Child Care
Center**

March 2019

Center News

We had our first Mardi Gras parade/celebration inside this year due to the rainy weather. Thank you to our parents who were able to come and enjoy some dancing, trading some Mardi Gras beads with the children, and taste some king cake! A fun time was had by all!

School Registration forms for the 2019-20 school year were placed in your family mailbox last month. **If your child will be withdrawing this summer or fall, please return the form as soon as possible, with the child's date of withdrawal listed.** We are in the process of calling off of our waiting list for openings. Thank you for your help!

Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences are being held during the weeks of March 18th and 25th for Toddler, Twos, Threes, and Four's Classrooms. VPK will hold conferences in early May. Your child's teacher will have a sign-up sheet posted soon. Please be sure and find a time that works for you and your teacher. We encourage all parents to sign up for a conference.

Safety reminder: Parents, when you enter and exit the building with your child, please hold their hand, if possible so they do not run ahead alone into the parking lot or street. Highland Avenue is a busy street! We want to avoid any accidents with our children and families!

Calendar of Events:

- ☺ March 13, Wiggle
Wednesday, 9:00 AM
- ☺ Thursday and Friday,
March 26 & 27,
Lifetouch Spring
Portraits, 9:00 AM
- ☺ March 18-29, Spring
Parent-teacher
Conferences held

Infant Room News

February was a very adventurous month! Some of our infants are beginning to sit up, crawl, and even walk. Caroline and Aiden both recently celebrated their first birthday, and will be making their transition to the Toddler Classroom.

We are learning to "ooo and ah" as well as enjoy singing songs such as "The Wheels on the Bus." The infants created hearts, lovebugs, and strawberries to match our Valentine's theme last month.

Thank you for letting us care for your little ones!

Toddler Room News

Over the last month, we celebrated Valentine's Day by exploring the colors pink, red, and purple. We also learned about the "heart" shape.

We created a Valentine's Day card using heart shaped cookie cutters and paint.

We said goodbye to Beckett and Karsyn, who transitioned to the Two's Class. They are doing awesome and are enjoying their new room!

Thank you to our parents who joined us for Mardi Gras. The toddlers sure do like to dance!



Staff Birthdays:

Ms. Stacy	3/2
Ms. Katie	3/17
Ms. Yari	3/18



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News from the Two's Room

During the month of February, we celebrated Valentine's Day and learned more about the Ocean. We discovered that starfish have five arms and that fish travel in "schools."

We enjoyed our inside Mardi Gras celebration, as the children danced, wore some beads, and tried some king cake! Thank you to everyone who was able to attend.

We said goodbye to Benjamin and Charlotte, who moved up to the Three's Class. They are doing well and learning their new classroom routines.

Until next time...

Three's News

February was a month filled with love and learning. We started the month with creating Arctic Animals and learning how they stay warm in the cold climate.

Next, we learned about Valentine's Day and how it is important to be kind to all of our friends. We created small gifts to give each other, so the children can learn how it feels to give to others.

Our class also learned about some of the U.S. Presidents and a few of our influential African Americans.

We welcomed Charlotte and Benjamin to our Three's Class in February. They are doing great!



Pre-K Four's News

We started the month of February by getting familiar with the Community Workers in our city. We played a "Who's Tool" guessing game and Community Helper BINGO. The children had fun making "cement" to build their structures, and used dental floss to get the plaque off pretend "teeth." We used our fine motor skills to cut and paste a doctor's bag.

Valentine activities involved sorting, counting, graphing and creating patterns with colored hearts. The children enjoyed matching upper and lower case letters found in their names. We also shared what "love" means to us.

During President's Day week, we learned fun facts about Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. The children voted for a presidential pet and danced around the "President's Alphabet."

To end the month of February, we read a variety of Dr. Seuss books. The children were very excited to share their books with the class. We explored painting stripes and following simple patterns. One of our favorite activities was making "green eggs"!

VPK/Pre-K Five's News

Our VPK Class started the month of February with Mother Goose and Fairytales. We enjoyed acting out some of our favorite nursery rhymes and fairytales, and even dressed up as our favorite storybook characters!

The following week, we celebrated Valentine's by decorating the class with red and pink hearts, making cards for special friends and family, and reading books about love. We also had a fun Valentine card exchange.

During our week on Presidents, we read stories and counted the number of U.S. Presidents we have had. We discussed the job of a president. We learned about coins and dollar bills, and the president's pictures that are on them. For an art activity, we made stove pipe hats and a red, white, and blue mural.

We ended the month with discussing Dental Health. We read many books about healthy teeth. We ordered toothbrushes, counted teeth, and compared amounts. We did a tooth "egg-speriment", and guessed the smiles of our classmates. The children learned the names of teeth, and made positional words with toothbrushes.

Parents: sometimes our Florida weather can be unpredictable. Please be sure your child wears appropriate clothing and has an appropriate change of clothing in his/her blue bag. Thank you!

