

# CHRISTIAN DAY NURSERY SCHOOL

## PREK

### APRIL NEWSLETTER



Happy Spring Spring break is from March 29 and concludes on April 9 after the Solar Eclipse—I trust that everyone will make the best of their extra day off and that Norwalk survives the chaos!

Thankfully our first year of full day Pre K presented us with a mild winter. I would have liked a few more snow days and frozen ground but as we tell the children “You get what you get and you don’t throw a fit!” With that being said if you’d like to switch out their winter gear for spring gear, with rain coats and rain boots I will send their winter gear back when I receive spring gear. I did like having snow pants to keep their pants clean so I am not opposed to rain pants or just an extra pair of sweatpants they are able to slip on over their pants on muddy days—to be kept here.. All in all I think the outside play has been going well!

This month we will be talking about weather with many science related experiences—We will of course be talking about taking care of our earth as we celebrate earth day. We will also explore the butterfly life cycle, as we watch caterpillars metamorphosize into butterflies.

Thank you so much to those that participated in the candy sale as well as the chili cookoff. Both of these events were beneficial to our preschool.

**Singing in church**—as a way of thanking the St. Peter Congregation for the support of our school, the preschoolers of CDNS will be singing at the 10:30 service on April 21. There will be an ice cream social immediately following the service. Please plan on attending with your family in appreciation for all St. Peter has afforded our children.

**No School**—there will be no school on Thursday April 25 as our teachers will be attending the OAEYC teachers conference at Kalahari—We hope to learn some great things to keep your children interested and in the know!

I can hardly believe how quickly the year is winding down. We have a few dates coming up for the end of the year that I would like to make you aware of—Please mark your calendars now but more information will follow as the dates approach.

**Wednesday May 8**—Field trip to the reservoir—I will need chaperones

**Friday May 10**—this is not a normal school day for PreK but it is our Annual St. Jude Trike-a-thon. We highly encourage all students to attend .

**Tuesday May 21—Science Roundup** This is Pre-K's big finale and **their last day of school**. Parents, siblings and grandparents are invited to attend. We have done many science experiments this year and this day is set up so the children can show off some of what they learned. Pre-K will attend as a usual school day—eat lunch, then rest—after rest (1:00 ) families may arrive, we will meet in fellowship hall and demonstrate our science experiments— Children may leave with their parents at the conclusion. Mark your calendars to be able to attend with your child. Thank you

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It was so good to see everyone come out to Open House and Art Show. The children did such a great job.

Thank you to everyone that supported the Chili Cook-off and SuzinL Easter Candy fundraisers. These profits will help update classroom equipment.

There is a lot coming up at CDNS this spring!!! Please look for the Children Singing in church and a ice cream social following the service on April 21, Law Enforcement visit, St. Jude Research Hospital Trike-a Thon, school picnics and a calendar full of fun.

Michelle Schaffer,  
CDNS Director



## Large Motor and Music

**Large Motor** – Students will be working on eye-hand coordination skills, as we work with our hands, racquets and bats. If the weather is nice, we will be going outside for large motor classes this spring.

**Music** – Jody Chaffee, from the Firelands Symphony Orchestra, had to cancel her presentation with us last month due to a death in the family. We have rescheduled her for Monday, April 29 for all the morning classes at 10:30 and afternoon classes at 1:00.

**Body Systems** – This month will understand about the Urinary System. When we drink fluids: where does it go in the body, why is it important to drink fluids and how do we get rid of our waste water?

Thank you,  
Becky Parcher

## TEMPLE TALK

Hope everyone had a beautiful Easter!

During April we will continue with the Easter Story, hear about Jesus' ascension into heaven and about the Holy Spirit coming down on Jesus' disciples. We will also practice the songs we will sing in church.

Big Reminder! Sunday, April 21 is the day we are asking you to bring your child to the 10:30 church service here at St. Peter. This is their time to sing for the congregation as a thank you for our school. There will be an ice cream social afterwards.

*Blessings, Krista*

## *St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church*

On April 8, we will have the once-in-a-lifetime experience of witnessing a total solar eclipse right here in the greater Norwalk area. We have been told to expect many extra people in our city and the attendant complications that will bring. At St. Peter, we have been planning an event for that day and hope to provide a safe, family-friendly place to observe the eclipse. Our Eclipse Task Force has spent many hours planning all the details and we are looking forward to implementing our plans. (*You are welcome to join us. Go to [www.stpeter-elca.org](http://www.stpeter-elca.org) for registration details.*)

This eclipse is a new way for us to see and marvel at God's creative power. In scripture we hear how God created the moon, the sun, and the stars. Through science we have begun to understand how perfectly all these heavenly bodies work together, moving in harmony, providing structure and order to the universe, to our world, and in our lives.

Whatever plans you might have for the eclipse, be sure to take some time to feel the wonder and awe of God's power and majesty as it is revealed in this unique cosmic event.

And happy Easter!

Pastor Ann

## **The Pirate Ship Song**

It was a sunny day when I went to  
play

down by the sea

I climbed aboard a pirate ship

And the captain said to me

We're going this way, that way

Forward/backward

Up and down / Up and down

Up and down /Up and down

Over the deep blue sea!

Repeat with:

cloudy, rainy, stormy and calm

## **There's a Fuzzy caterpillar**

*Tune (She'll be Coming around the mountain)*

There's a fuzzy caterpillar on a leaf

Wiggle wiggle

He will eat the leaf around him til he's  
full munch munch

He will spin a little cocoon for his  
home

spin spin

He will become a butterfly and fly  
away

flap flap

The little caterpillar went like this

Wiggle wiggle -Munch munch -

spin spin—fly fly

## **Let's Go Fly a Kiite**

With tuppence for paper and strings  
You can have your own set of wings  
With your feet on the ground, you're a  
bird in a flight

With your fist holding tight to the string  
of your kite

Oh, oh, oh, let's go fly a kite up to the  
highest height

Let's go fly a kite and send it soaring

Up through the atmosphere

Up where the air is clear

Oh, let's go fly a kite

When you send it flyin' up there

All at once, you're lighter than air

You can dance on the breeze, over  
houses and trees

With your fist holding tight to the string  
of your kite.

## **A little Seed (scarf song)**

A little seed for me to sow

A little earth to make it grow

A little sun, a little shower

A little wait a then a flower!

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	<b>No School—Spring Break</b>					
7 Clay	8 Solar Eclipse No School	9 IG Word Family	10 Temple Talk Make a thermometer Heat rises	11 EN word Family Rain gauge Clay Bday	12	13
14 Freddie	15 Does the wind blow? Tornado in a bottle	16 AT Word Family	17 Temple Talk Luther Oaks Trash Pick up Walk	18 Earth Day Promise UG word Family	19	20
21 Gia	22 Earth Day Make Paper Large Motor	23 Planting Seeds "Tops and Bottoms" Water cycle	24 Temple Talk Butterfly Life cycle	25 <b>No School</b> Teacher In Service	26	27
28 Elaina	29 Spring graphing Large Motor	30 Simple Machines Levers and wedges				