



Chippewa UM Preschool

March 2019 Newsletter



SPRING arrives on the 20th of March. The children are excited about the changing season and the many other changes that will be taking place at the Preschool during Spring!



IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 8**
- No School**
- April 15 & 16**
- Easter Parties**
- April 17, 18, 19 & 22**
- Easter Vacation**
- May 10**
- No School**
- May 13**
- Pre-K Field Trip**
- May 21**
- Toddler Last Day**
- May 22**
- Pre-K Celebration**

EVALUATIONS

Evaluations have been sent home. If you have not returned the evaluation form please return it ASAP. We will use them again for our May evaluation. If you have any questions or concerns please email or setup an appointment. Also please talk to a teacher if you think your child is not ready for Kindergarten. Sometimes it is helpful to give your child the gift of time.



PRE-K PARENTS:

Your Pre-K students will be very busy from now until May with their alphabet, Easter, cutting skills, names, spring crafts and bugs, bugs, bugs!

The Pre-K classes will be encouraged to work more independently on tasks. The children have become very social and will need to focus more on working quietly, writing names correctly for Kindergarten and following simple directions independently. Please encourage your child at home by assigning them simple independent tasks to complete. This is a very important skill for entering their school years.

Watch for the arrival of our eggs as we watch for the hatching of baby chicks and then in April our caterpillars as our students watch them transform into butterflies. We will release the butterflies outside soon after they emerge from their cocoons.

The **Pre-K END-OF-THE-YEAR FIELD TRIP** is scheduled for **Monday May 13th, 2019**. Cost of the field trip includes 1 parent & 1 student. Amount will be announced after we find out how many students & parents are participating. This Field Trip is optional but the students have really enjoyed the trip in the past. Pre-K students will travel via school bus to the Pittsburgh Zoo. All students need to be escorted on this Field Trip by 1 parent. Pre-K students will leave the Preschool at 9am and return around 3:30pm. Look for additional info about this Field Trip.

The **Pre-K Celebration** is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 22nd, 2019** at the Church Community Life Center. The Pre-K Classes will have their celebration from 11am to 1pm. The Pre-K Classes will be combined for the celebration. Adults are asked to bring a covered dish, (salad, casserole, etc.) Preschool will provide plates, napkins, cups, eating utensils, drinks and dessert. A short program consisting of songs and poems the children have learned will be performed by our Pre-K students. Parents, grandparents and siblings are invited. Please watch for a note that will be sent home in early May. But please mark your calendars NOW!

ROSALIND CANDY SALE

going on now until March 18th. Help the Preschool by selling candy to your friends, neighbors and relatives. Money made on this fundraiser helps pay for supplies for our Preschool and your child. Candy will be available for delivery beginning April 2nd.

TODDLER PARENTS:

The Toddler Classes will continue to work on lengthening attention span and taking turns.

They have attempted to print their own names and we will continue to work on this. Don't expect perfection—improvement will come with increased fine motor skills. If you do help your child practice at home or over the summer, please teach them to use 1 capital letter and the rest lower case. It is easier to teach them the correct way then to have to re-teach after they have learned all capitals.

During the upcoming two months look for many signs of spring as we will watch plants grow, eggs hatch and caterpillars turn into butterflies.



2019-2020 PRESCHOOL CLASSES

are filling up fast!!!
If you are planning on sending your child to Preschool in the fall, or know of someone who would like to, please sign up NOW!