Pre-Kindergarten News April 14, 2017

Dear Pre-K Families.

We have had a prayerful Holy Week. Each day we read from the Bible about Jesus' last days before he was crucified. Please continue to share and talk about this holiest of seasons in our church. We look forward to Easter week! On Tuesday, April 18th, we will celebrate "Cool to Be Kind Day" in family groups. The students will be challenged to do kind things for those they may not normally spend time with. Students may wear a shirt in their family group color with the uniform bottoms. We will begin the day with an assembly in the gym and gather again in the afternoon for family group activities.

Blessings, Mrs. Molly Mannenbach

Classroom News

This week we enjoyed learning about: what changes in each season. We focused on the concept words of: cold, fall, spring, summer, warm, and winter. Our amazing (new) words for the week were: bud, chilly, nest, boil, perfect, and tip. Our focus stories were: <u>A Tree for all Seasons</u>, and <u>A Perfect Day</u>. Ask your child to name the four seasons.

Our phonological focus continues to be breaking sounds apart in words and then blending them again. We reviewed the letters by name and this week we listened and looked for words and things beginning with t/t/ and j/j/.

In Math we practiced counting items up to 9 and 10 as well as seeing how we can make two groups that add up to 9 and 10.

In Science/ Social Studies we looked at weather forms during the different seasons, and how the trees and soil change. We discussed which is their favorite season and why.

We continued to talk about different feelings in Second Step. This week we got more in depth about how feelings can change and that we can have different feelings about the same thing.

In Religion we spent time reading and discussing each holy day. We celebrated a last supper together and talked about how Jesus must have felt. We experienced the final hours for Jesus when we went to Stations of the Cross.

Some interesting questions to ask your child about the week are: What is your favorite season and why? Can you find something in the house that begins with t or j? What happened at the last supper?

Congratulations to our Honored Cougar this week, Zdenek. We are proud of all our little Cougars!

Snack Reminder:

Mon. – Spencer Tues.- Owen D. Wed.- Michael Thurs.- Ellie Fri.- Julia

<u>Curriculum Focus for Next Week</u> Religion

Easter Week

Language Arts

Blending phonemes Recognize letter names and their sound Rhyming words Journal writing and illustrating

Math

Sharing groups without leftovers

Science/Social Studies

Earth Day Recycling

School News

Tuesday April 18th "Cool to be Kind." Friday April 28th 11:30 dismissal and free dress

Upcoming Events

Friday April 21^{st} Middle School and Alumni Dodgeball Tournament sponsored by Gr. 8

Thursday May 4th Art Show and Spaghetti Dinner