



Pineview News

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From the Director~



Well...March started out so sunny and warm, I jumped right into planning the date for our Spring Workday...but I think I jumped too quickly! Unfortunately, we need to reschedule it. After a more careful check of our calendar, we will not be able to have it in May. The good news is that there aren't any major projects going on with the playground this year so the clean up and fix up tasks that need to be done are very manageable. We'll keep you posted!

Many thanks to all of you who filled out a Parent Survey! We have reviewed your responses and appreciate all the positive comments. One of the things that many parents requested was more information on child development, in general and specifically relating to your child. As you can see by the insert, we are happy to comply! Actually, this new curriculum that we are implementing contains several parent letters that we will be passing along to you. If there is ever any particular developmental area or stage that you are interested in just let me know! For those of you who were interested in more time to speak with the teachers, you will be happy to know that 2 regular parent conference days will be part of our new assessment system. We are phasing this system in and it should be in full swing in the fall. You are always welcome to call and schedule your own parent-teacher conference at any time! Some of the other, more individual requests have been passed on to the specific teachers.

Many families said that they would love more family events. We will definitely consider that when we plan out our calendar! We do already have a family *Easter Egg Hunt* planned for Easter Sunday just before the service. It will be indoors so we don't have to worry about the weather! I hope to see you there! Have a wonderful Easter!

Kirsten

Inspirational Quotes~

“Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.”

~John 11:25 & 26

“He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end.”

~ Ecclesiastes 3:11

Enjoy a cup of coffee and a donut every other Tuesday!
7:30-9:00 am

Stay and chat or take it to go!

Compliments of Pineview Church

Interested in learning more about Pineview church? Go to www.pineviewonline.org

Pre-K

Spring has sprung and we are going to be busy learning all about it during the month of April. We will begin the month by learning about Easter and why it is important. God sent his Son to die for our sins. Jesus died and rose again! During the week of Easter we will also learn about the letter E. We will begin to



review our letters and I can't think of a better way to do it than to spend a week with the story Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. During this week we will read the story, retell the story and create our own coconut tree for our letters to climb. The children will also be coming home with a copy of the book to 'read' to you. We have been learning to use the pictures



Miss Alisa ~ Room 206

to help us remember what a word says in a book and using our reading fingers to point as we 'read'. All very important pre-reading skills.

We'll also be learning about plants and seeds and what hatches from an egg. We will be planting seeds and experimenting with soil. We may possibly hatch duck or chick eggs!

Welcome to Jack H, Mark & Matthew!

Love,

Miss Alisa & Miss Ann

Pre-K

Happy Easter!

Just a quick reminder, please check your child's extra clothes bin to make sure it has weather appropriate clothes! Thank you! We will start off the month with a unit on Easter! We will learn all about the amazing sacrifice Jesus made for us! We will have



fun with eggs, bunnies and more! Also, we'll have an Easter party on Thursday, April 5th at 4pm. More details will follow, along with a sign up sheet on the side of the cubbies! Thanks for all you contribute! Our other themes will be Spring, Going Green & Japan. We will be learning all about the changes that come with spring through fun crafts and activities. During our Going Green unit we'll learn about recycling and doing our

part to help keep our earth clean. Finally, for our Japan theme, we will make passports and travel the world to learn about an amazing country!

Have a Happy Easter!

Happy Birthday to Nathan & Grace!

Love, Miss Abby & Miss Linda

Miss Abby ~ Room 203



Preschool

Dear Families:

Happy Easter! Hopefully you will all get to spend some time with your families celebrating Jesus!



This month we will start by talking about Easter. We will talk about Jesus giving his life and rising again, as well as some of the typical things people



do to celebrate. We'll also be celebrating with Miss Ashley's class on Thursday the 5th.

The next week we will talk about spring—although we might be a little late this year! We will focus on letter S this week too, and will play a game matching bees and their flowers. Next we will talk about transportation and letter T. One art activity will be paint-

ing with the wheels of a car. The final theme this month will be under, over and in between! We will also talk about letter U. We will focus on positional words and we'll even paint under the table.

We are welcoming some new friends to our class this month. We are eager and excited to play with them!



Love,

Miss Lydia & Miss Kathy

Miss Lydia ~ Room 209

Kids' Caboose

Happy Spring to all!

It seemed the entire month of March was spring. I can't remember the last time I've taken kids outside so often in this usually chilly month! Wow!

During March we had a colors week filled with fun rainbow experiments, colorful balls inside tunnels and green shamrock hunts. I think you'd be surprised how many of the children ate Pete's green eggs and ham!

The following week shapes were colored, glued, stenciled, thrown and spun! Our month ended with many meows, barks, hops and squeaks. Pets! The children were thrilled to have Meme the cat visit one day.

We are ready to continue to breathe in the fresh air of spring as April comes upon us. Easter gives the children much excitement. As we enjoy Easter activities, I always remind the children

how precious and holy Easter truly is. Jesus loved them so much, He gave His life for them, and all of us! He lives!

April is when we remember the precious planet God gave us, as we learn about "Earth Day". It's so important for the children to realize earth is a gift and we need to work together to keep it clean.

God bless you all on this Easter

holiday and throughout this month!

Love, Miss Joy



Preschool

Dear Families,

Can you believe April is already here? This month we will be welcoming four new friends: Lucas, Sidney, Natalie and Joseph. They have visited our class and the kids seem very excited



to welcome them to our class and make new friends! In the month of April we will talk about Easter, Rain & April Showers and Ocean Animals. We will be coloring eggs, and having a fun Easter egg hunt! We'll also be cooking up something very yummy! Our class loves to



Miss Ashley ~ Room 210

cook! During our Rain and Ocean Animals themes we'll be doing lots of fun indoor water activities. I'm sure the kids will have tons of fun!

Don't forget about our Easter party April 5th at 4pm. All are welcome!

Love,
Miss Ashley & Miss Kayla



Preschool

Miss Shawnie ~ Room 110

We are so excited for spring! We will be working on letter recognition focusing on D, E & F and learning about rhyming with a Dr. Seuss unit.

For our April Showers theme we will have a rainbow week where we'll wear the colors of the rainbow, eat different colored foods and make our own rain sticks! We wish Katherine, Noah & Everett a ton of fun in Miss Lydia's class and are excited to welcome Katie, Will & Samuel. Happy Birthday to Brayden, Jeremiah, Will & Miss Ali!

With the weather changes, be sure your child has season-appropriate extra clothes! Love, Miss Shawnie & Miss Ali



Toddlers

Can you believe it is Spring?

To celebrate spring we started planting grass. We also like to sing, "He's Still Workin' on Me" and "Show Me the Cross." These songs are helping us learn about God's love and the meaning of Easter.

Spring means things are growing, and so are some of our friends! We would like to say goodbye to Emma and Destin as they start a new adventure in Miss Renee and Miss Rose's class. We would also like to welcome A.J., Nicolas and Tanner to our class to start their next step in growing!

Love,
Miss Mona & Miss Lorraine

Miss Mona ~ Room 103



Toddlers

Miss Renee ~ Room 109



Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to the Easter season. This month we will learn about what Easter really means. We will also learn about spring and what it brings. We will plant seeds to watch them grow and do a nature walk every week to see all the new things that are growing outside. We will cook some "He is Risen!" biscuits and dirt cake. We say goodbye to Jane, Ella T., Savannah & Amber and welcome Destin & Emma. We are excited to have you! Please come to us with any questions & check cubbies for extra clothes! Love, Miss Renee & Miss Rose

Toddlers



We welcome our new friends Ella, Amber, Savannah and Jane as they join our class! Welcome, friends!

Parents, thank you for all your support and we wish you a very Happy Easter! God Bless, Miss Kathy & Miss Kim

Miss Kathy ~ Room 112

Spring came early and we have had so much fun outside on the playground in the beautiful weather. We will be having an Easter egg hunt on the playground and coloring eggs for Easter. We'll be learning how to mix colors. Later in the month we will have a Duck and Rain week, then a Gardening theme week.

Waddlers

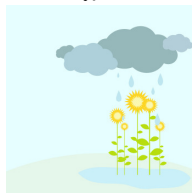
Miss Kathy ~ Room 108

We were excited to spend so much time outdoors in March! For many, it was an introduction to the playground. They enjoyed swinging and playing on the climber, train and horses. We did shamrock sponge painting and painted egg shapes with baby forks.

This month we'll celebrate Easter as well as sing songs about rain. We say "Happy Trails" to Nicholas L., Andrew and Tanner as they move up. We welcome Janiya to our room.

We wish you all a blessed Easter season!

Love, Miss Kathy & Miss Jonnie



Infants

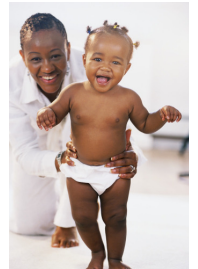
Miss Ruth ~ Room 106

Happy Easter from Room 106! We hope all of you enjoyed the warm spring weather.

Our babies are doing great! Liam and Janiya have moved up to the Waddlers and we welcome a new baby, Nia. It is great to see our babies growing. It won't be long and we will have new crawlers and walkers!

Any questions or concerns, please let us know! Have a wonderful Easter!

God Bless,
Miss Ruth & Miss Rosa



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Infant Care
Preschool
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Open 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Mark your calendars ~

April 6 ~ School closes at 3 in observance of Good Friday

7:00 pm Service at Pineview

April 8 ~ Easter Sunday

10am Easter Egg Hunt

10:30am Service at Pineview

May 28 ~ School closed

June 14 ~ Preschool Graduation
4pm

June 25 ~ Summer Camp begins



**Pineview
Community Church
Welcomes You!**

Sunday Mornings:
10:30 am Worship Service

Nursery care available
for children 0 - 2

Kid's Church

during service
for children ages
3 years—4th Grade

The Cook's Corner

He Has Risen! Rolls

Ingredients:

1/2 stick of butter (melted)

8 large marshmallows

1 can of large refrigerated biscuits

A bowl of cinnamon & sugar mix

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Take the white marshmallow. **Jesus was pure and sinless like this marshmallow.** Roll marshmallow in butter and then in the cinnamon-sugar mixture. **The butter represents the anointing oil and the cinnamon-sugar mixture represents the spices—both items were put on Jesus' body before they laid Him in the tomb.** Wrap the biscuit around the marshmallow and seal the dough around it. This part is very important—make sure the dough is completely sealed around the marshmallow. **After they put Jesus in the tomb, they rolled a large stone in front of it to seal it.** Roll the ball of dough in butter and then into the cinnamon-sugar mixture. Place on the cookie sheet, sealed side down. Place the tray of rolls in oven for about 10-12 minutes or until done. Let the rolls cool and then serve. **Encourage your little sprout to break open the tomb to look for Jesus. Where is He? He has risen!**
~www.mentoringmoments.org

From the Experts...

Finding Easter in Bunnies and Baskets

At the store we find baskets and eggs as Easter symbols instead of a cross and tomb.

At the store we find a bunny that brings Candy instead of a Savior who brings life.

It's no surprise our children are more excited about the Easter bunny than the true meaning of Easter. We spend weeks on coloring eggs but only focus on Jesus' death and resurrection for one hour on Sunday morning. The good news is all the Easter trimmings can become tools that we use to bring a greater understanding of the message of Easter. With just a little creativity, all these symbols that often replace the real significance of Easter can be the very things that make the holiday full and rich with spiritual meaning.

Tell the Story of Easter with Eggs

- Before an egg hunt, encircle each egg with a colored strip of paper (or put the strip inside a plastic egg) that tells one small part of the Easter story. When the eggs have been found, children put the story in the correct order.
- Write one attribute of Jesus on each egg with a Crayon before dying. Use a permanent marker for plastic eggs. Instead of just discovering eggs during their hunt, they'll discover wonderful things that make Jesus so special!
- Dye eggs in certain colors and use them to tell the story of salvation.

Teach them about Jesus by talking about what a *real* Easter Bunny is

Use a rabbit picture, stuffed bunny, or even a real one to teach some of the characteristics of Jesus that we should all try to have. By adding a Bible verse to each quality, you will create a true Easter bunny. Real Easter bunnies:

- **Are white as snow** because Jesus takes all sin away (Isaiah 1:28b)
- **Are gentle,** kind-hearted and forgiving (Ephesians 4:32)
- **Have big ears** that are quick to listen (James 1:19)
- **Have big eyes** to look carefully and choose what is good (1 Thes. 5:21)
- **Have no voice** for complaining or arguing (Philippians 2:13)
- **Are quiet** in prayer, but hop with thanksgiving and rejoicing (Phil. 4:4-6)
- **Have big feet** to tell other about Jesus (Matthew 28:19-20)
- **Eat what is healthy** by filling up on God's Word every day (Psalm 119:11)

~adapted from www.focusonthefamily.com by Kim Wier