

CLDS Chatter

From the Director's Desk

Dear Day School Families,
Our Spring Clean Day was such a great time. I loved going to the playground and seeing all the children planting, racking, and washing their cars. There were so many bubbles! Everything is looking so much fresher.

Kids Fest is April 4th from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. It is going to be a great event!! There will be plenty of games to play, a train to ride, the TumbleBus, a bouncy house and much, much, more! It is a great time for the whole family. Do not forget to buy your

child a Kids Fest t-shirt. They are in the office for \$15.00. You can always email or call us and we will put one in your child's backpack. I can't wait to see you all there. April is such a busy month! After Kids Fest we will start gearing up for Easter and Fiesta back to back! Make sure to check the journals and snack calendars for important dates for your child's class. We will have Easter festivities and close for Good Friday and Easter Monday. The Fiesta King and his court will be here on

April 25th at 9:30 a.m. Please join us for a fun Fiesta Day. We will close on the 25th at noon. Teachers are gearing up for parent/teacher conferences on May 3rd. School will be closed this day. You should receive information on times soon. Please let me know if you have any questions. Have a fun and safe month!

For the children,

Dana Ferraro

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Christ Lutheran Day School

April 1, 2019



Special Dates

- ☉ Thursday, 04/04, 5-7 p.m. Kids' Fest
- ☉ Tuesday, 04/11, 11 a.m. Happy Tails
- ☉ Friday, 4/12, Last day of Soccer Shots
- ☉ Friday, 04/19, and Monday, 04/22 Easter Weekend/NO SCHOOL
- ☉ Thursday, 04/25, CLDS FIESTA/Close at NOON
- ☉ Friday, 04/26, Battle of Flowers/NO SCHOOL
- ☉ Tuesday, 04/30, Last of Little Ninjas
- ☉ Friday, 05/03, P/T Conferences/NO SCHOOL

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KIDS' FEST
THURSDAY, APRIL 4
5:00- 7:00

JOIN US FOR DINNER, GAMES, AND LOTS OF FUN!!!



April Birthdays



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------|-----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 Aidan Swann | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Tripp Bartolomei | 9 Charlie Holshouser | 10 | 11 Cecilia Cruthirds | 12 Rebecca Sharp | 13 |
| 14 | 15 West Peterson | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 Brycen Rodriguez | 23 Mrs. Morgan | 24 | 25 Grant Farino | 25 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | |

What's Happening in San Antonio...



Fiesta San Antonio
April 18-28

Friday, April 12, 5:30-11:30 p.m.
Alamo Heights Night
@ UIW

Monday, April 22, 7:00 p.m.
Texas Cavaliers River Parade
@ San Antonio River Walk

Friday, April 26, 9:30 a.m.
Battle of Flowers Parade
@ Downtown

Saturday, April 27, 8:00-6:00
King William Fair
@ King William Historic District

Saturday, April 27,
7:45 a.m. **Fiesta Pooch Parade**
begins @ Alamo Heights Pool

Saturday, April 27,
5:30 p.m. **Fiesta Flambeau Parade**
@ Downtown



Disney On Ice
Mickey's Search Party
April 10-14
Alamodome

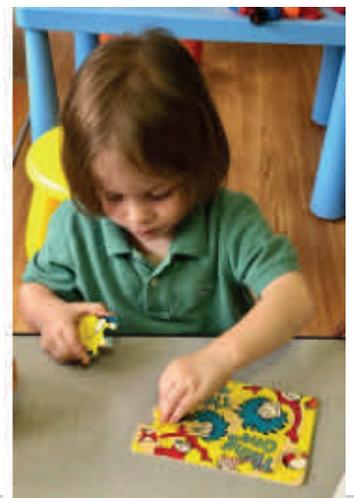
Last month in our classrooms...

2's Program

Ms. Crowley's Class

Dr. Seuss Week

Oh the fun we had with this unit. The kiddos loved it so much that I had to extend it an extra week. Our favorite books were *Wacky Wednesday* and of course *Green eggs and Ham*. In our classroom we had pretend green eggs and ham in the dramatic play area. We also had thing one and two hats as well as a cat and the hat one. Some of the fun activities were green eggs made with baking soda that the kids got to dissolve with vinegar using an eye dropper. Not only a cool experiment with lots of fun science properties but also a great way to work on hand eye coordination. Next we painted with balloons and let me tell you there was a lot of bouncing and laughing with this ART project. For our finally we made real *Green Eggs and Ham* and both classes decided they do, they like green eggs and ham.



3's Program

Mrs. Lerette's Class

After the school's wacky Dr. Seuss day, we kept the Seuss theme going with the story *Green Eggs and Ham*. We practiced turning white eggs green with salad spinner art. The children got to place an "egg white" in the salad spinner, squeeze green paint over it, and spin to spread the paint over their eggs. After that practice we got to make *real* green eggs and ham as a class. Mrs. Lerette cracked the eggs, but the children helped pour in the milk, green food coloring, and whisking the eggs. The children equally enjoyed cooking and eating them!

After spring break we began a unit on nursery rhymes and fairy tales. This has been a great opportunity for the children to retell, extend, and reimagine classic stories. After reading *Humpty Dumpty* we wondered the reason why he fell in the first place. Then we experimented with real eggs to see if *Humpty Dumpty* would still break if he were covered in feathers, cotton, water, or bubble wrap. The predictions and results can be seen in the hallway. Mrs. Hernandez created a floor to ceiling beanstalk in our classroom. Each child had the chance to measure how many giant's feet tall our beanstalk was. Their measurements and the giant's foot print can be seen in the hallway as well. We will end the unit comparing and contrasting the big bad wolf from the stories *The Three Little Pigs* and *Little Red Riding Hood*.

The school's Kids Fest Fundraiser will be happening on April 4th. We look forward to seeing you all there!



Pre-K Program

Mrs. Morgan's Class

We continued our exploration of dinosaurs this past week. We had the opportunity to read some great factual books, as well as some fun fictional books. Your children have become really good at looking for clues to determine which type of book we are reading!

We created dinosaur eggs out of baking soda and water. We placed a small plastic dinosaur inside each egg. We let them dry overnight, and then we began "hatching" our eggs when we used pipettes and vinegar to create a chemical reaction to dissolve our eggs. Conveniently, the duck eggs in Mrs. Harris' class hatched this week as well and we were able to touch and see some newly hatched ducklings.

We reviewed our shapes and let our creativity and imagination play when we created a Shape-a-saurus out of pre-cut shapes. It was fun to watch your children figure out how to combine shapes to create the perfect dinosaur they imagined. Some needed to trim the pieces with scissors to make them just right. Some grabbed markers to add volcanoes and lava to their picture, while others felt the need to add just the right amount of sparkle! These darling creations will be on display in our room if you would like to see them.

We have been busy practicing so many of our Pre-K skills this week. We played games that worked on alliteration, rhyming, counting, quantifying, one to one correspondence, patterning, etc. Our dramatic play area has been set up as an ice cream shop the past two weeks. I have seen some wonderful cooperation and heard some great language coming from that side of the room, and have personally enjoyed many ice cream cones and sundaes prepared for me by your children. On Friday, we had extra time on the playground to enjoy a Spring Play Day. We got out water, buckets, scrub brushes, brooms, herbs, vegetables, flowers, dirt and bubbles and took advantage of the nice weather and the chance to make our playground even more inviting. Enjoy a fun spring weekend with your families!



Ms. Ford's Music and Motor Skills

"I said a boom chicka boom..." What are those loud footsteps? DINOSAURS!!! We went on a "Dinosaur Hunt," did the "Dinosaur Stomp," and moved our feet to the "Dinosaur Beat." We echoed dino feet with drums and other rhythm instruments to "Velociraptor" and "Dino Dance." We followed dinosaur tracks around an obstacle course that would have challenged and left even the most agile T-Rex dazed!

The second week of March, we practiced and performed our songs for Grandparents' Day. We sang "L-O-V-E," "Heartbeat," and "Skidamarink" to a packed audience of appreciative grandparents, family, and friends. What a wonderful day of celebrating these very special people in the lives of our children here at CLDS.

We sprang into spring to "Green and Blue" by sitting on balls and bouncing to the lyrics boing, boing, boing... We moved to "Out in the Garden" and walked, jumped, danced, and tiptoed back home in the "rain." I sprinkled seeds with water and watched them grow into beautiful dancing flowers to "Frank the Flower." We talked about composers

and how they write music with notes instead of words. We then listened, played our instruments, and danced with streamers to Vivaldi's "Violin Concerto in E, The Four Seasons, Spring." Out in the garden motor skills had us jumping, crawling, balancing, and hopping on balance beams, trampolines, tunnels, and hop sacks. What great fun it was welcoming spring!

Out in the garden activities continued as we marched into April with our Bug Band. We enjoyed marching to "The Ants Go Marching" and playing our instruments to "Doodle." We loved moving with bright scarves to "Spring" by Vivaldi. We also squirmed and squiggled as we wormed our way around an obstacle course that required our wiggiest moves. We moved different body parts to "Wiggle," then we waltzed with a string worm and learned 3/4 time to "Walter the Waltzing Worm." That was great fun, but our favorite was rocking those string worms to "Wiggy, Wiggy, Wiggles," and having to stop our jumping and jiving when the music would stop, just to start moving again when the tunes began again.

Worms evolved into beautiful butterflies as we hatched from our chrysalis and danced with colorful streamers to "La Mariposa" and "Butterfly." Out in the garden would not be the same without flying critters. We used hula hoops to "Bluebird, Bluebird" to go through the window. Then we hula hooped to "Rockin' Robin" and "Three Little Birds." We danced in a darkened room and pretended to fly as we listened to "Firefly." We crept around as a "Ladybug," and emoted and flitted around the flowers and room as butterflies to "Butterfly."

In April, we will continue being Out in the Garden with seeds, flowers, and bees and Easter. We will celebrate Fiesta and take a trip into the wilds of the jungle! Stay tuned for more details...



*** Don't forget to register for Summer 2019 Enrichment: ***

A Wonderful Time with CLDS



SESSION FULL!!

MAY 20-24
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
A Land Before Time



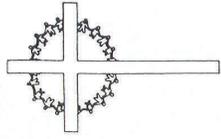
MAY 28-31
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
A Time for
Fairy Tales



JUNE 3-7
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
A Time at Sea



JUNE 10-14
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
A Time for
Super Heroes!



April 2019

Crowley/Hans
2's

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 1 | <i>The Good Samaritan</i> SSB p. 360 | 2 <i>Mary & Martha</i> SSB p. 366 Aidan Swann Sterling Pfullmann | 3 <i>The Lost Sheep & Lost Coin</i> SSB p. 374 | 4 <i>The Prodigal Son</i> SSB p. 378 | 5 <i>Song Chapel</i> | 6 |
| 7 | 8 <i>Two Masters</i> SSB p. 384 | 9 <i>The Parable of the Rich Men</i> SSB p. 386 Charlie Holshouser | 10 <i>Ten Men Healed</i> SSB p. 390 | 11 <i>A Seed of Faith</i> SSB p. 394 Cecilia Cruithrds Rebecca Sharp | 12 <i>Song Chapel</i> | 13 |
| 14 Palm Sunday | 15 <i>Palm Sunday</i> Tripp Bartolomei | 16 <i>The Last Supper</i> SSB p. 462 West Peterson | 17 <i>Jesus is Betrayed</i> SSB p. 468 | 18 <i>The Day Jesus Died</i> SSB p. 476 | 19 HOLIDAY/ NO SCHOOL | 20 |
| 21 Easter | 22 HOLIDAY/ NO SCHOOL | 23 <i>The Empty Tomb</i> SSB p. 482 Brycen Rodriguez Mrs. Morgan | 24 <i>The Road to Emma-nous</i> SSB p. 488 Grant Farino | 25 <i>Doubting Thomas</i> SSB p. 492 Fiesta/Close @ Noon Close at noon | 26 HOLIDAY/ NO SCHOOL | 27 |
| 28 | 29 <i>The Pharisee & the Tax Collector</i> | 30 <i>Zacchareus</i> SSB p. 400 | | | | |