



# Floyd Baptist Preschool Newsletter

## February 2019

Dear Parents,

Our year seems to be going very fast! We have covered a lot of material and have lots more to go. Please continue working with your child at home with their alphabet/sounds, rhyming and numbers.

Our Tuesday & Thursdays classes are hard at work with their letters and counting as well. We are still working hard on listening skills as well as following directions and writing their name.

We will be covering some fun things this month; Ground Hog Day, dental week, President's Day, heart month and of course Valentine's Day.

**Just a reminder for all classes:** As you are going over your child's work with them daily, please pay close attention to any notes the teacher may have made on their work. Notes such as "had help" or "needs to practice" means that your child needs some extra help at home in that area and that will reinforce what we do at preschool. You may also notice special stamps we may use that say completed: Independently, with some assistance or with full assistance. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

**This month we will begin our Reading Incentive program for the 3 and 4 year old class.** The goal for the class this year is for each child to read at least 100 minutes or more in the month of February. We will be sending home a sheet with hearts on it this week. The children are to color one heart for each 10 minutes they read (homework can be counted as reading also). **The children must turn in a reading sheet to receive a certificate for a free kids pack from Subway. Please return the reading chart by March 4<sup>th</sup>. We would like ALL of the children to participate.**

### **Tuesday & Thursday Classes Only**

Our Valentine Party will be on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at 10am for the three year olds. The children will exchange Valentines. Hopefully you have received the list of names and the children are hard at work with them.

**\*Please put the Valentines in ABC order by child's FIRST name before bringing them to school, this is very helpful!**

### **Monday, Wednesday & Friday's Classes Only**

Our Valentine Party for our 4 year old class will be on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am. The children will exchange Valentines. Hopefully you have received the list of names and the children are hard at work with them. **\*Please put the Valentines in ABC order by child's FIRST name before bringing them to school, this is very helpful!**

Our new way of starting out the day has seemed to go very well. We hope that it will help with their near future experiences in BIG school. We have been working diligently on skills covered in the PALS testing. **Please review the information sheet and packet we will be sending home next week concerning the PALS testing.** The testing will take place in early spring and that will be here before we know it! A few of the children already know their upper and lower case letters. They must know at least 16 capital letters to do well on the test.

Below is the schedule for the kindergarten registration at all the county elementary schools. You will need to take along; your child's social security card, immunization record and birth certificate. Your child also needs to attend. Please check with your child's school for the exact date and time...sometimes dates change because of the weather.

February 25	Check	6pm
February 26	Indian Valley	6pm
March 5	Willis	6pm
March 7	Floyd	6pm

Kindergarten is not what it use to be, we try to get the children ready but if they are not mature enough to handle all that comes with kindergarten, it may become overwhelming. Many children entering kindergarten at age 4 have other children in the same class turning 6 within a month or so of them. A year is a long time. Children are unique and his/her chronological age is not necessarily their developmental and emotional age. If you have concerns about your child not being ready for the four-year-old class or kindergarten, please feel free to speak with us soon.

Thank you again for sharing your children with us. If ever you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

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