



Covenant United Methodist Preschool

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Dear Covenant Preschool Families,

February will be such a fun month at Covenant Preschool! We celebrate Valentine's Day AND it is Dental Health month too! We will also have a special visit from Mr. Gabe the children's musician on Feb 22nd and 23rd!

Each class will be hosting a **Valentine's celebration**. Sign up for special snack treats will be available from your child's teacher or the class mom – thank you in advance for your contributions. On celebration day, your child is asked to bring in Valentine cards for classmates. Do not address the cards but please do be sure your child's name is signed on the bottom of each one. Please encourage your child to sign his or her own name – even if they can write only one letter and you fill in the rest – it is wonderful practice for them! All children are decorating in class a special mailbox they will use to collect their cards from classmates. Both homemade cards and store bought cards are great – whatever you prefer. Many store bought cards come with candy, tattoos or pencils – it is fine to attach these to your child's cards. If you include candy, please remember no nuts. Teachers will have Valentine mailboxes as well in case any children wish to give them a card. ☺



We are very blessed to have a local dentist visiting us this year in honor of **dental health month!** Dr. Rajeev Sandhu will be coming in to talk with our children about taking good care

of their teeth. We can't wait to welcome our special guest on **Friday, February 3**. The 3 year old students who are not in school on Fridays are most welcome to come in for this special presentation. Please let Lisa know if you will be bringing your child.

Registration for families new to Covenant Preschool opens Monday, Feb 13. New families are welcome to mail their forms in or drop them off in person. We thank you for your sharing the good news about our school with your friends and neighbors. If you have not registered your child for the next school year, you are welcome to hand in your registration packet to me anytime.

An **Open House** is scheduled for Saturday, February 4th from 9:00-11:00 am for new families who are interested in meeting our teachers and seeing the classrooms. If you know of someone who is looking for a preschool, please tell them to come visit us. If a family attends the Open House, they will be given the opportunity to turn their registration in early.

Tuition Discount will be received for any family that introduces a new family to our school. Once the new family has registered, a 10 percent discount will be applied to your next month's tuition payment.

Winter Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held in mid February and early March. Each conference will last 20 minutes and teachers will be emphasizing your child's academic successes and areas for growth. Please watch for sign ups. For your convenience and to maximize your tuition dollars, classes will be held on conference days. Our assistant teachers will teach

class with the aide of one of our wonderful substitutes.

This month we will hold a **fundraiser to benefit our preschool fund**. We will be sending home Easter candy brochures from **Gertrude Hawk Chocolates**. It is delicious candy. What is so neat is they sell Christian oriented candy (in cross and lamb shapes) in addition to the more secular bunnies. 50 percent of every Gertrude Hawk order will come straight back to us. This is an outstanding return for a product fundraiser! Your family, friends and co-workers are welcome to purchase candy too! Orders may be placed online and products can be shipped for free to our school (for local friends and families) or, those out of town can have the candy shipped directly to their home for a nominal fee. The more people who buy, the more money we will raise! If you would like to contribute but prefer not to purchase Gertrude Hawk chocolates, a direct donation also will be gratefully accepted. More info about this fundraiser will come home soon in buckets.

Three year old parents: Donuts with Dad (or a special person) Day is coming up in April – please save the date on your calendar now! Our **MW Bear class** will host dads on Wednesday, **April 5**, 9:15-9:45am; our **TTh Puppy class** and **TThF Turtle class** will host dads on **Thursday, April 6**, 9:15-9:45am. If dad is unavailable please send another special person in your child’s life – male or female. Anyone is welcome! Because classroom space is so limited, we ask that younger siblings please stay home if at all possible.

If you are practicing handwriting at home with your child, please be sure to use both upper and lower case letters; not all uppercase. Writing your name with the first letter capitalized and the rest of the letters lowercase is the “kindergarten way” so we might as well have them learn it this way right from the start!

Enjoy a wonderful February!

Blessings,

Lisa Broadman ☺

CURRICULUM:

The Pre-K classes will be going into greater depth and detail than our three-year-old children. All students cover subject areas unless noted.

Social Studies:

A. Valentine’s Day



- B. Patriotism-Our Flag (Pre-K)
- C. Pledge of Allegiance (Pre-K)
- D. Great American Heroes
 - 1. George Washington
 - 2. Abraham Lincoln
 - 3. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Science:

- A. Five Senses
- B. Groundhog Day (shadows)



C. Dental Health Month (Pre-K)

English-Language Arts:

- A. Storybook Units
- B. Fine Motor Skills
- C. Opposites (3’s)
- D. Story Sequencing (Pre-K)
- E. Rhyming Words (Pre-K)
- F. Weekly Readers (Pre-K)
- G. Letters & Phonics - R, S, T, U (Pre-K)
- H. Manuscript Letters R, S, T, U (Pre-K)

Math:

- A. Numeral Recognition 0-10 (3’s)
- B. Numeral Recognition 0-25 (Pre-K)
- C. Scales (weights/balancing)
Same, More & Less

- D. Classification by Shape (3's)
 - E. Small, Medium and Large (3's)
 - F. Small, Little, Medium, Large & Big (Pre-K)
 - G. Classification by Size, Weight & Shape (Pre-K)
 - H. Patterns (Pre-K)
 - I. Home Telephone Number (Pre-K)
- Spiritual:
- A. Jesus loves the little children
 - B. Being a Good Neighbor

VALENTINE'S DAY:

Valentine's Day Celebrations will be held on Monday, February 13 for the MW 3s and MWF 4s and on Tuesday, February 14 for the TTh and TThF 3s, M-F and T-F 4s.

The Preschool children will be making 100 Valentines that will be delivered to the Montgomery Village Rehab Center for the long term residents. We love to do for others and making Valentines to let the residents know that they are remembered is important to us!

TEACHER CONFERENCES:

These conferences will focus on your child's academic progress. Your child's teacher will contact you with sign up instructions. The conference schedule is as follows:

MW 3s	Feb 15
TTh 3s	Feb 21
TThF 3s	Feb 23 and Mar 2
MWF 4s	Feb 17 and Feb 24
T-F 4s	Feb 22 and Feb 28
M-F 4s	Feb 16 and Feb 27

Be on the look out for your specific conference sign up.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

The 3s will have Teddy Bear Day on March 22 and 23. The children will come to school dressed in their pajamas (and shoes) and bring their favorite stuffed bear with them. The day is special because they have a special story music and snack. They will even get to have a special picnic with their friends and their teddy bears.



Donuts with Dad for 3 year olds will be held on April 5 and 6. Please get this on Dad's calendar so he can attend this special event.

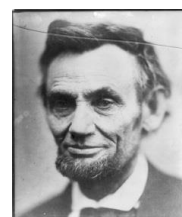
FACEBOOK REVIEWS:

Have you liked our Facebook page yet? If so, please like some of the photos or posts so that our information goes out to your friends and neighbors. I love spreading the good news of our school. If you haven't liked the page yet, please do so. The weekly pics and posts are entertaining and fun!



REMINDER:

Covenant Preschool will be closed Monday, February 20th for the Presidents' Day Holiday.



Meet the Teacher!

Mrs. McClure

Contact: boblizjack@aol.com



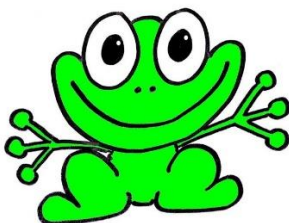
My Education!

I received a BS.Ed in Elementary and Special Education from University of Delaware.



My Class Mascot!

Our T-F class mascot is the frog.



The Basics!

I am married and have 3 kids, all CUMP alumni. My son is a freshman in college and my daughters are in 7th and 9th grades. I have taught in multiple public school programs and this is my 4th year at CUMP.

My Favorites!

Food: Seafood

Color: Blue

Drink: Coffee and Margaritas

Sports: Watching my kids: swimming soccer and softball

Hobby: Cooking and Animal Rescue

Restaurant: Bonefish Grill

Store: Target

Dessert: Ice Cream

Candy: Heath Bar

Flower: Daisy



