

## May + June 2019 Newsletter



### The Resurrection Story

We have been opening up Easter Eggs that guide us through the resurrection story to talk about the first Easter. Each circle we review and open all the eggs we opened prior before opening the new one, it is amazing how much your children remember.. The teachers always need the cheat sheet to remember which one is next, but your children sure don't. They look forward to opening the eggs every class. We can all learn so much from children if we take the time to observe.

**"Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."**

Matthew 18:3 (ESV)

### Mother's Day Tea

The children will be hosting a **Mother's Day Tea** on **May 8th + 9th** to show their moms just how much they are appreciated. Please find alternate care for younger siblings so that this time may be spent one-on-one with you and your child.

Please have your child here at the regular start time so they are able to set up the classroom for your tea, then moms will come back one hour after drop off.

**Moms will come for the morning 8:30 class at 9:30 and in the afternoon moms will come for the 12:15 class at 1:15.**





# Year - End Party

On Friday, June 14th the whole Preschool will have a year-end party in the elementary school gym. Remember all children must be accompanied by an adult and younger siblings are welcome. If weather permits please feel free to bring a picnic lunch to be enjoyed on the playground afterwards. Just keep in mind that lunch time for the elementary children is at 12:40 so we need to leave the playground by then with all of our wrappers and garbage.

**Party time is from 10:30 am until approximately 12 pm.**

**Have a Fantastic Summer!**

This is our last newsletter this preschool year, I pray that all of you have a safe and relaxing summer, filled with memory making experiences, relationship strength- ending and a renewed sense of childlike faith.

## Important Dates to Remember

**May 8 + 9** Mothers Day Tea

**June 10 + 11** Summer Birthday Celebration

**June 12 + 13** Last Day of Classes

**June 14** Year End Party

## Summer Learning Activities

**Alphabet Practice** - Make letters with popsicle sticks, play dough, yarn, in the sand, print up a sheet of the letters in the alphabet and go for a walk in your neighborhood crossing off the letters you can find, use paint in ziplock bags to trace letters, eye spy letters on walks in nature or on signs....

### Numeracy Practice

• Early numeracy is more than the ability to add, subtract, multiply, divide and use numbers. In early childhood, the development of numeracy involves children hearing the language of mathematics in play by fitting 'smaller' boxes inside 'bigger' boxes, 'same', 'different', 'fast', 'slow', sorting, pouring, measuring etc. Here are a few more ideas on pre-numeracy skills.

• Poems or songs with counting backwards, e.g.) 5 Green and Speckled Frogs, 5 Little Ducks... Maybe use small toys, photos or a felt story to take away when counting backwards as a tactile and visual experience.

• Have your child help set the table counting out plates, cutlery and cups for the number of people eating.

• Roll some dice and jump, clap, roll, hop, skip, stomp as many times as the dice says.

**Time of Encouragement - "Catch your Kids Doing Good"** (promoting positive attention seeking)

• Set a timer for 15/20 minutes and when it goes make an effort to find your child and say something encouraging to them about what they are doing.