



PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

January 2026



Dear Parents,

This past month we have worked on our numbers 1-10. This month we will begin learning the capital letters and the sounds they make. We will also be doing a solar system themed science unit. We will study stars, planets, sun and moon, rockets and astronauts! Feel free to coordinate the snack with the letter of the day or science unit if you wish. Also, as you see your child's papers come home, please do not be alarmed if they are unfinished! We don't expect the three-year-olds to be able to complete or comprehend everything, but we do need to challenge our four- and five-year-olds. Writing skills will just be emerging as your child turns four. We do take this into consideration and try very hard not to 'overwhelm' students who aren't ready for all of the challenges. We just try to be as encouraging as possible!

January will also be the beginning of **HOMEWORK!** This will be fairly simple and should only take a few minutes for them to complete. Homework will be sent home on Mondays/Tuesdays and can be returned for a sticker on Wednesdays/Thursdays. This is just to help reinforce what we are learning in preschool as well as to help teach responsibility.

We will begin to incorporate summer birthdays on the snack calendar. We will celebrate them as "pretend birthdays" so that the students with summer birthdays will have a chance to celebrate their birthday during the preschool year.

Also please note there will be no school on **Monday, Jan. 19th** for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

As the first of the year is quickly approaching, it's time to start thinking about the 2026-27 preschool year! Registration will be opening somewhere around the end of February/ early-March. Please be thinking about whether your child will be returning to us for a second year, or if you have younger kiddos who will be ready for their turn. 😊 Remember, we do have a two-year curriculum with rotating units as well as a three-day option for older students. For our students who plan to attend kindergarten next fall we would love to answer any questions you may have about Our Redeemer's kindergarten program! We have both half-day and full-day kindergarten options and both are excellent!!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and hope you enjoy the Preschool Christmas programs on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. School will resume January 5th and 6th.

Thank you! Mrs. B (Bratvold)

