

St. Andrew's Newsletter

April 2024

St. Andrew's Nursery School

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What's Happening @ St. Andrew's...

The children are looking forward to seeing beautiful flowers and playing outside. During this month, they will be busy learning and exploring the following concepts:

- The season of spring
- Appreciating the beauty of God's world
- Animals in God's world (farm, wild, domestic)
- Flowers and insects
- Farm Life

Dear Parents,

During this month the children are grateful for beautiful spring days full of flowers and activities.

During the week of April 8– April 12th, we will celebrate the National Week of the Young Child. We take this special week to highlight the needs and welfare of all young children and their families. Also, we will honor our wonderful and dedicated teachers and aides.

We will be celebrating Earth Day by learning about Spring in our special presentation on April 19th. The children will be able to appreciate the beauty of God's world by learning about animals that we see in spring time.

As of this date, a few spaces remain open for the 2024-25 school year. Please feel free to tell friends and neighbors to call the school office to schedule a tour or to ask for more information. Check our website at www.standrewsnurserieschool.com for all the forms necessary for registration.

Check the school calendar at the end of this newsletter to be informed of all the activities scheduled for this month.

Sincerely,
Astrid M. Montes, Director



**Clearance
SALE**

**When: Week of the Young Child
April 8 through April 12**

Where: Sidewalk /School Foyer

- ◆ Kids School T-shirts
- ◆ Kid's School Sweatshirts
- ◆ Adult School T-Shirts
- ◆ Adult School Sweatshirts
- ◆ School magnets

Limited Inventory @ 50% off



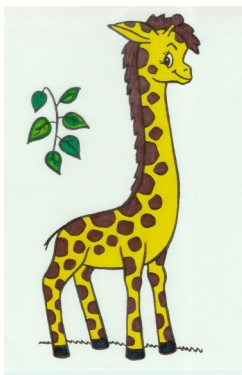
Thank you to....

- Everyone who attended Saturday School
- Everyone that supported us with their vote in the Happening List.
- All your donations & support for the Handbag Bingo.



Congratulations to the Syed family on the March 2 arrival of their baby boy Hasnain. Big sister Zunaira attends our Preschool Plus class.

Our best wishes to all!



St. Andrew's Nursery School

Class Notes:



Coming Events:

Mar. 25-Apr.1: Easter Vacation-
School Closed

Apr. 2: Classes resume

Apr. 8-Apr. 12: Week of the
Young Child
-Staff Appreciation Week

Apr. 17: Upper Schuylkill Valley
Park Bus Trip
- 4A, 4B & PP

Apr. 19: Earth Day Program
-4A, 4B, PP

Apr. 22 & 23: Spring Nature Walks

Apr. 24 & 25 Spring Nature Walks
Rain Dates

Apr. 25 & Apr 26: Lending
Library-Last day to take out
books

Apr 29 & Apr. 30: Pastor and Mrs.
K. visit



Pre-3 Mrs. Lutz//Mrs. Roszell

- ◆ April themes are Spring, flowers, and bugs.
- ◆ Our Spring Nature walk will be on April 23. Please have your child wear comfortable walking shoes.

3-A Mrs. Sedlak/ Mrs. Cadden

- ◆ Please be sure to pay attention to the weather and dress your children appropriately for outdoor play.
- ◆ In April, we will be studying spring, flowers, frogs and insects.

3B Mrs. Lynch/Mrs. Neider/ Mrs. Natalini

- ◆ April's theme is signs of spring.
- ◆ Our letters of the month are R & S.
- ◆ 3B's spring nature walk is April 23rd. More details to follow.

4A Mrs. Brady/Mrs. Rothwein

- ◆ Learning to recognize different shapes helps children identify and organize information such as symbols and patterns. This not only proves to be useful for math but also for reading and writing.
- ◆ As the weather changes, we look forward to spending more time outside on the playground.
- ◆ Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns, questions or would like a conference.

4B Ms. Whiteside /Mrs. Roeger

- ◆ Happy Spring! Together, we will be exploring the sights, sounds, and smells of spring time this month. We will look at such topics as Earth Day and ways to help our Earth (The 3 "R's"-Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle). We will also have fun with dirt as we exploring planting seeds and gardening.
- ◆ I was recently re-reading a book entitled Balanced and Barefoot by Angela

Hanscom. Angela is a pediatric occupational therapist. The book does a great job explaining the importance of the outdoors in developing the sensory, motor, and executive functions of the brain. As I was walking one day, I had the pleasure of observing 2 little people exploring a puddle, finding worms gathering sticks to create dams, etc. The seemingly simple, playful activity was addressing so many areas of development. As we move into this new season of Spring, I encourage you to get outdoors, there are so many good things that happen for adults and children outside.

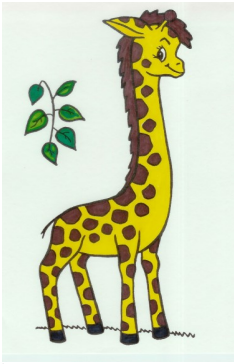
Preschool Plus Mrs. DuPlessis/Mrs. Kepner

- ◆ Thank you to everyone who shared a family connection during our International Week/s last month!
- ◆ April brings exciting class adventures such as the Upper Schuylkill Valley Park field trip (4/17) and Spring Nature Walk (4/22)!
- ◆ We will be working on several science themes this month and celebrate Eid, the NAEYC Week of the Young Child and Earth Day.
- ◆ When writing their name, please remind your child to use a capital letter first, followed by all lower-case letters.
- ◆ We wish all of our Preschool Plus families a very happy spring!

Important Reminder:

- ◆ As the weather changes, make sure that your child has the appropriate attire for being outside. Also, sneakers or regular rubber soled close-toe shoes are the safest for children to wear when playing on the playground. Shoes should not come off when climbing. Please, no **flip-flops** or "**Crocks.**"





Happy Birthday Wishes to...

Riley MacManiman
Dominick Bangert
Evie Pitz
Ryleigh Gdovin
Mrs. Sherie Bollinger- Board Treasurer
Mrs. Cheryl Peiffer-Board Secretary
Mrs. Astrid Montes-Director



The Week of the Young Child –April 8th to April 12h



NAEYC recognizes that the early childhood years lay the foundation for children's success in school and later in life. During this week, we recognize the needs of the children and their families while promoting the positive influence of their teachers in the early years. St. Andrew's Nursery School will celebrate this year by having special activities in the classroom each day. The themes for the week are as follows:

Week of the Young Child-

Monday: Music Monday: Sing, Dance, Celebrate, & Learn

Tuesday: Crazy Socks Day– wear your favorite crazy socks!

Wednesday: Crazy Hat Day– Wear your favorite crazy hat.

Cooperating & Building-Work Together, Build Together & Learn Together

Thursday: Artsy Thursday & Amos Day – Think, Problem Solve & Create.

- Wear your favorite giraffe shirt or wear an orange/yellow shirt.

Friday: Amos Day– Wear your favorite giraffe shirt or wear an orange/yellow shirt.

COMING SOON!

This summer, St. Andrew's will again offer **CAMP AMOS!**

Art! Music! Projects! Games! Outdoor Activities!

Dates:

Time: 9:00-12:00

Week 1: Don't Let Pigeon Ride the Bus Series- May 29– May 31

Week 2: Bug's Life-June 4– June 7

Week 3: Dynamite Dinos- June 11 - June 14-

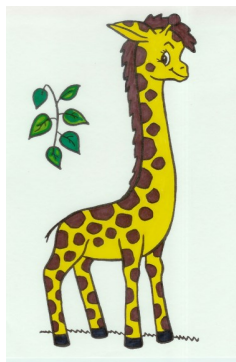
Cost: \$145 per child per week

Who is eligible:

Any child who is currently enrolled for the 2023-2024 school year may attend.

Each child will bring his/her own snack and drink.





School Closings:



NBC 10.com: You can be notified when school closes either by text or email. Visit the **NBC 10** website at www.nbc10.com and click on **WEATHER**. From there, click on the **SCHOOL CLOSING ALERTS** link and look for the **SUBSCRIBE TO MOBILE ALERTS** to sign up.



Remind.com- This text messaging platform will be used for notification in case of school closing/delays. Please sign up using the designated code issued to each classroom.

For Pre-3 text **@267hge to 81010**

For 3A text **@3ased to 81010**

For 3B text **@4h9aed to 81010**

For 4A text **@eb8h67 to 81010**

For 4B text **@b6e6h7k to 81010**

For PP text **@2cdcha2 to 81010**



Closing information will also be posted on the school website:

<http://www.standrewsnurseryschool.com>

In the event of a one-hour delay, the classes will run as follows:

3A Class- 10:00-11:30

4A Class-10:00-12:00

Pre-3 Class-10:00-11:30

3B Class- 10:15-11:45

4B Class-10:15-12:15

PP Class-10:00-12:00

For your information...



- ◆ **Absences:** When your child is going to be absent, kindly notify his/her Teacher or Teacher Aide by calling the **Absentee Line (610-666-0426)**, 10– 15 minutes prior to class time. During class, please call the school office (610-666-6153) with any questions or concerns.



- ◆ **Late Arrival Policy:** Anyone who enters the building, other than at the scheduled beginning and ending time for a session, must sign in at the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.



- ◆ **Clothing Identification:** Thank you for marking your child's removable clothing with his/her name. Please continue to mark clothing such as snowsuits, parkas, sweaters, gloves/mittens, hats and boots. If you do not have name labels, we suggest using masking tape marked with permanent ink.



- ◆ **St. Andrew's Church:** For those who have expressed an interest in attending church services at St. Andrew's, please note that you are welcome to visit at any time. On our Community Bulletin Board outside the School Office you will find a brochure listing information about Sunday Church and Sunday Church School times. If additional information is desired, call the Church Office (610-666-6577) and ask Lynette Becattini, Church Secretary.



Show support for our school...



◆ **Printer Cartridge:** You may deposit printer cartridges in the recycling bin located in the School Foyer. They are taken to Staples for their reward program, which gives us a discount on our office supplies. We welcome all cartridges from you, your family, your friends, and your workplace!

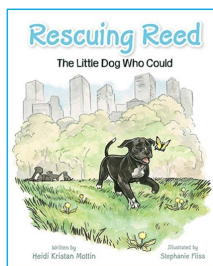


◆ **Penny's by Plaza Flowers** – 417 Egypt Rd., Audubon, PA – 610-630-8825. Join Penny's by Plaza Flowers Rewards Program and donate your points to St. Andrew's for cash. Visit www.pflorist.com/rewards for more details.



◆ **School Store:** Wear Amos with pride while supporting our school! Check our website at www.standrewsnurseryschool.com for prices on items such as t-shirts, sweatshirts, water bottles, tote bags, and magnets. More information available in the school office.

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church News



◆ **Rescuing Reed Program:** On Sunday, April 7th at 9:30am, St. Andrew's Sunday School will be welcoming Heidi Mottin to talk about her book, "Rescuing Reed." Pastor Lutchter will be bringing his therapy dog, Riley, to visit with the children as well!

◆ **Vacation Bible School-** June 17 – 20, 2024- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. See attached form.

Safety Concerns...



◆ Sneakers or regular rubber-soled tie shoes are the safest for children to wear when playing, both in the classroom and on the playground. Please, no **flip-flops** or "**Crocks.**" We would appreciate your understanding and cooperation.



◆ Please turn your cell phone **ON** immediately after you drop your child off at school. There may come a time when we need to contact you when you are not home. Thank you !



◆ Please supervise your children outside before and after class, in the parking lot and also in the grass. With the windows sometimes open there is a serious threat of injury to children running near them.

◆ Please do not leave your child alone in a car, even for a few minutes. If you cannot take your baby or toddler out of the car in order to come in at dismissal time, then perhaps another parent would be kind enough to bring your preschooler out to you. Just let us know in the office if that is the case. Let's do all we can to keep EVERY child safe.

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
June 17th-20th
9:00am – 12pm
Vacation Bible School Registration

St. Andrew's is welcoming summer with some amazing "Campfire Stories"!

Registration is open for children who are 4 years old through those who are currently finishing 4th grade. Older children who have finished 5th grade are welcome to attend as helpers! Kids will meet friends, explore Bible stories, conduct experiments, sing songs, make crafts, play games, and enjoy some tasty eat snacks. We expect a great response, so enroll your child today. Cost is \$10 per child and must be turned in by June 7th. Enrollment will be on a first come first serve basis as we have limited space for each age group. Please return completed form and \$10 registration fee to Nicole Kruczkuk at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. Checks can be made out to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church or you can submit payment online via the church's website.

Child's name _____

Birthday _____ Age _____ Grade just completed _____ Gender _____

Parents' names _____

Home address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Emergency contact person _____ Relationship to student _____

Contact number _____

Food allergies Y N (List:) _____

Medical concerns Y N (Explain:) _____

Family doctor _____ Phone _____

Siblings attending VBS (names and ages) _____

People who may pick up the child _____

VBS leaders have permission to photograph/film the minor(s) designated above in any manner or form for any lawful purpose associated with this VBS program.

Parent's signature _____

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Easter Vacation	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Week of the Young Child-4/6-4/12					
14	15	16 Pay period begins	17 Upper Schuylkill Valley Park Bus Trip- 4A, 4B, & PP	18	19 Earth Day Program: Spring Spectacular	20
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28	29 Pastor & Mrs. K.	30				