

Building Blocks

A Newsletter of Triple C Nursery School



April 2018

Hello, Parents.

I hope you are enjoying this month and preparing for Easter. I usually like to find some cute Easter poem for this newsletter, but I came across this article and thought it was good information to pass along to you. The story behind Easter can sometimes be scary and confusing to your preschooler. This gives you some thoughts on ways to handle their confusion. This is from the article *The Crucifixions PG Rating – A psychologist gives age-to age advise on explaining this intense event to children.*

Ages 3-5: The Age of Fantasy

Early childhood is absolutely the wrong time to give realistic and graphic details regarding the violence of the cross. Preschoolers' budding imaginations can build such details into frightening scenes that keep them awake at night. The bloodier depictions are likely to upset kids and breed mistrust in the world. If you introduce the crucifixion to a 3-year-old, try using a cartoon-style storybook or a preschooler Bible to significantly reduce the emotional impact. Saying only that "Jesus died for you" might cause him to feel guilty. Instead, you might say, "Jesus died because He loves you and me," and leave it at that for now. Gentle conversations and softer sermons that emphasize the resurrection are appropriate for younger children. The key message should be, as the well-known song puts it, "Jesus loves me, this I know..."

Typical question: *Why was Jesus killed? Did He do something wrong?*

"Jesus didn't do anything wrong, but He was willing to be punished for things that other people did, which is why we love Him so much."

If you would like more information, the rest of this article can be found at www.beliefnet.com.

Here is a cute poem using jelly beans that might help explain Jesus's love.

The Jelly Bean Prayer

Red is for the blood He gave
Green is for the grass He made
Yellow is for the sun so bright
Orange is for the edge of night
Black is for the sins we made
White is for the grace He gave
Purple is for His hour of sorrow
Pink is for our new tomorrow.

Hope you enjoy this Easter celebration and find time appreciate this gift that Jesus has given us. If you don't have a church home, you are welcome to join us here at East Swamp for our one of our family services. More info in this newsletter!

Mary Shaibley





Student Profiles and Conferences: 2AM classes will be held on April 24-26. In mid April, you will receive a letter and your child's progress report. Sign up sheets will be posted outside your child's classroom door. **Classes will be in session while the head teachers meet with parents.**

Pre-K profiles will also be distributed soon. Pre-K conferences will be by request only. If you would like to schedule a conference, please fill out the form enclosed with your child's profile to arrange a time on April 25.

2018-2019 School Year Registration: Registration for the 2018-2019 year continues. If you know someone who might be interested, please let them know we still have openings. Please keep in mind, if you have not registered your child for next year and are planning on doing so, please stop by the office to pick up a registration form as soon as possible. You **MUST** do so in order to secure your child's enrollment. Your child will not automatically be re-enrolled.



Reminder: A reminder to all parents and caregivers who drop off the students at the beginning of the day: The starting time for class is **9:15 a.m.** (9:30am for OMO) and we would ask that you make every effort to have the children here at that time. Delays in arrival often disrupt the openings for the teachers and cause an altered schedule throughout the day.

Lunchtime Adventures: We will continue to offer our Lunchtime Adventures through the months of April & May. Classes fill up fast! These classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays (11:45am-1:45pm) for our 3-AM classes and Thursdays (11:30am-1:30pm) for our 2-AM classes. Registration is \$12.00 per session. Stop by the office for more info!



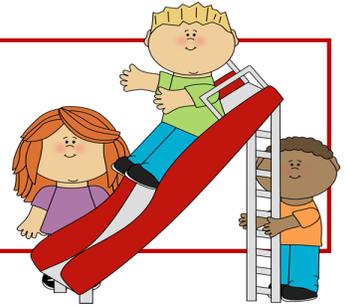
There's still time... If you have not had the opportunity to visit your child's classroom as a parent helper, there's still time. Moms and Dads are encouraged to spend time in the classroom during the free-choice portion of the day. It will be an enjoyable time for your child, your child's friends and you! If you are interested, the parent helper calendar is located right outside your child's classroom. Just a reminder....all Parent Helpers must submit their current background clearances to the office prior to volunteering. Thank you!



Summer Camp: Triple C will be offering a week-long summer camp after our normal school year ends. It will be held will be held **June 4-8**. Camp will be open to all presently enrolled Triple C 2AM, 3AM and Pre-K students and will run 9:00am-11:45am each day.

The cost for each child will be \$90. Brochures will be sent home the end of April with your child. Space is limited, so registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis! If you have any questions, please email us or stop by the office.

Warmer weather is right around the corner.... Spring is here! We are shaking off the wintertime blues and are taking the kids outside to the playground during gym time as much as the weather allows. Please dress your child in comfortable clothing and warm jackets.



Celebrate Easter With Us!

You and your family are invited to celebrate our Risen Savior here at East Swamp. Join us at one of our three Kid-Friendly services and Candy Buffet!

Saturday, March 31 @ 5:00pm
Sunday, April 1 @ 9:00am & 11:00am

Visit www.easterinquakertown.com to let us know when you are coming and to register for our Family Movie Pack Giveaway!

