



Loving Hands Preschool February 2018



Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is open!! By the number of referral cards that were turned in, we owe a big thank you to our preschool families, who are our best form of advertisement! Don't forget... for every family that you refer to our program, you receive \$20 off our next tuition payment! Our 3 year old AM classes are both full, only 3 spots left in the TTH pm class, and we are looking to open a 4th 3 year old class on MW pm. If we decide to offer the 4th class, Miss Carly (our Yellow Room 4's teacher) has offered to teach it!! It will still be in the Orange Room, and her and Miss Ang will work closely together for planning! Our 4 year old AM classes are full on TTHF and only a few spots remain for MWF. We have openings in the PM classes for both classrooms. Our Transitional Kindergarten ½ day AM class is full, and the PM class has been opened. And there are still spots in the Full Day Transitional K class. If you know of anyone who may be looking for a preschool for their 3-5 year old, they can contact Miss Shannon at 330-896-1936 or smiller1950@sbcglobal.net to set up a tour!

We are looking forward to our Valentine's Day Parties on 2/13 & 2/14. Thank you to all of the parents who have stepped up to help plan the parties! We appreciate all of your help! See below for specific class details. For our Transitional -K (Blue and Purple Room) classes, please note that you will only dismiss early on the day of your party, but there will be no enrichment either day!

- On Tuesday, February 13, we will celebrate with the Orange Room TTHam3's and our Yellow Room AM class. The party will begin at 9:00 and will conclude at 11:00. Please note this is an early dismissal day for these classes and there will be NO ENRICHMENT offered on these days.
- On Tuesday, February 13 at 12:30, our TTHpm3's and our Yellow Room PM class will celebrate Valentine's Day! The party will conclude at 2:30. Any parent who is not planning to stay for the party should plan to pick up their child at 2:30. There will be NO ENRICHMENT offered prior to the party that day.
- On Wednesday, February 14, we will celebrate Valentine's Day with our Purple Room TK am class, Orange Room MWAM, Green Room AM 4's at 9:00. The party will last 2 hours, and conclude at 11:00. At that time, all children should be picked up from school. There will be NO ENRICHMENT that day.
- At 12:30 on Wednesday, February 14, our Green Room PM class, Purple Room TK pm class, and our Blue Room Full Day Pre-K class will celebrate Valentine's Day. Blue Room parents who are planning to attend the party may arrive at that time. We will dismiss ½ hour early that day, at 2:30.

Conferences will be held on February 12-15. A signup sheet will be posted outside of your child's room. We welcome all parents to schedule a time to meet with the teacher and discuss your child's growth! If you are not available at the times offered, please notify your child's teacher and we will do our best to find a time that will better suit your needs. There will be no school on Friday, February 16. This day will be used for the teachers to make up conferences and prepare for the remainder of the school year.

Planning ahead.....

Join us on February 24 between 9:00am-2:00pm at Green High School for the annual Celebration of Education. This event is hosted by the Green Schools Foundation. There is always so many fun activities for the children!

The week of March 11-16 will be the Scholastic Book Fair. We would like to thank all of our families for their support of our program by offering this sale as a Buy one, Get one FREE sale. Any items purchased during this sale will qualify for the BOGO discount. Loving Hands will not earn any Scholastic Dollars for this sale, we pass all of our savings on to you!! **Children are made readers on the laps of their parents.** —Emilie Buchwald

On Tuesday, March 13 from 5:00-6:30, Loving Hands Preschool will host our Spring Meet the Teacher/Registration Open House. Any child who is already registered for the 2018-2019 school year or interested in enrolling is invited to attend the open house. This is a great time to meet the teacher your child will have in the fall.

Legacy Photo Services will be back on Wednesday, April 11 (MW3's, Blue and Green Rooms) and Thursday, April 12 (TTH3's, Purple and Yellow) for spring pictures. Picture forms will come home prior to picture day. The form will show you what background will look like. During spring pictures we do not take class pictures, only individuals.

February Dates



3: Happy Birthday Annabelle W
5/6: Music and Movement with Miss Angelina
6: Fire Drill-AM
8: Preschool Board Meeting 9:00
12-16- Conferences will be held this week (Dates and Times TBD by teachers)
13: Valentine's Day Party for MW3, Green Rooms (Dismissal for those classes will be ½ hour earlier)
14: Valentine's Day Party for TTH3, Yellow, Purple and Blue (12:30)Rooms (Dismissal for those classes will be ½ hour earlier)
15: Happy Birthday Mariah F
16: Conference Day- NO PRESCHOOL
16: March Tuition Due (Church office will be open from 9-1 that day for tuition drop off)
18: Happy Birthday Miss Brittney
19: President's Day- NO SCHOOL
19: Happy Birthday Silas J
20: Storytime with Miss Brandie 1:00
20: Happy Birthday Scarlett M
21/22: Chapel Time with Pastor Katie
22: Happy Birthday Landon J
23: Happy Birthday Miss Carly
24: Celebration of Education at Green HS 9:00am-2:00pm
25: Happy Birthday Colton C

Orange Room
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Hello Orange Room Parents! I can't believe it's almost February. The school year is certainly flying by! January has been so much fun! The children have discovered the writing center!! It is so enjoyable watching what they make from this center! It's stocked with glue sticks, different textures of paper, scissors, foam stickers, letters, words... They learn so much from each area of the room but the writing center is a communication center! Preschoolers can deliver their ideas through their illustrations and printing. Please take some time to ask your child about his/her picture. You never know where their imagination may have taken them that day! We've been practicing our writing skills by copying lines such as /, 1, -, +, U, O. And of course, making sure our grip on the marker is correct. Shapes, patterning, and number recognition have also been a focus. We have been learning about the author Jan Brett and one of the books she wrote called "The Mitten". The children took on pretend rolls as they climbed into a huge mitten with their friends and created their own symmetrical mittens using finger paint in the art center! We've been learning what an author and illustrator does for a book and what the parts of a book are called (front cover, back cover, and spine). We are also working on last name recognition. We have been practicing each day going up and down the steps using alternating feet, as opposed to both feet on each step. As we play in the muscle room, this skill will become easier for them as they gain more control over their large muscles. February brings fun and friendship with Valentine's Day and the theme bears/hibernation!

Green Room MWF Pre-K
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Wow, already February! Hopefully the snow days are over with and spring is in sight! February will be a very short month with the long President's day weekend because of conferences. Conference sign ups are outside of the classroom on the mailboxes. We will discuss your child's progress since September and decide what still needs to be worked on by the end of the year. I am excited to meet with each of you since drop off and pick up times are usually chaotic and I rarely am able to have whole conversations with you all. During the month of February, we will be studying space! I know the children will be excited to talk about places larger than the Earth we live on. I will transform the dramatic play into a space center along with having space books in our classroom library. During the last week of February and the first day of March, we will be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday (March 2). This is a super fun week at school. On Monday, Feb. 26 we will have hat day, wear a crazy or silly hat to school! Wednesday, Feb. 18 will be wacky Wednesday, come to school looking as ridiculous as possible, mis match shoes, socks, pants inside out, and whatever hair style you can think of. Friday, March 2 will be green eggs and ham day. We will be eating green eggs at school and reading the book Green Eggs and Ham. Let's have another wonderful month of school! Letters for this month will be: O,P,Q, & R.

Yellow Room Pre-K
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Happy February, Yellow Room families! Things are moving along quickly as we transition into the next month of fun! We will start by wrapping up our Superheroes unit in the first week of the month. On **Friday, February 2nd**, we will have **Superhero Day**: your child may come to school dressed as their favorite superhero. Age appropriate costumes are welcome, as well as superhero shirts, socks, etc. If your child does not have any of these items of clothing, they are more than welcome to wear the mask and cape we made in class the previous week. That day, we will engage our super skills in an obstacle course in the muscle room, so be sure to have them wear **running shoes**.

Following that unit, we will spend the next three weeks learning about Fairytales. We will read about Humpty Dumpty and figure out why he fell off the wall, build our own houses with The Three Little Pigs and try to defy The Big Bad Wolf's mighty breath, and practice our matching skills with Goldie Locks and the Three Bears.

At the end of the month, we will celebrate the wonderfully silly and creative Dr. Seuss's birthday! We will kick off the two weeks of Seuss on **Tuesday, February 27th** with **Crazy Socks Day!** Your child is welcome to wear their silliest of socks as we read Fox in Socks.

We will also be having conferences starting the second week of February. There will be sign up sheets available outside of the classroom on the mailboxes. Pick a time to come in and discuss your child's progress with me. Each conference will run for about fifteen minutes. Hope to see you then!

Our Valentine's Day parties will be on **Tuesday, February 13th**. Remember that there will be early dismissal that day (**AM at 11:00; PM at 2:30**). We will still have conferences that evening.



Purple Room-Transitional Kindergarten

Miss Lindsay and Miss Stacey

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Such a busy month planned for February! We have our Valentine's Day party, and one of my favorite weeks...Dr. Seuss Days! We will also be exploring the rainforest this month! The students seem to be so excited to learn all about the various kinds of plants and animals that live in the rainforest. They will have the chance to learn about where rainforests are, what the temperature is, the different layers of the rainforest, and many other interesting facts about this neat environment!

Along with these fun events this month, we also have conferences scheduled for February 14th and 15th. I will be posting the times I'm available outside of my classroom, so please be sure to sign up for them to see how your child is doing so far. If these times don't work for you, I'm also available every morning before class during this week, and my lunch period is from 11:30 to 12:30, so I can see you during this time as well. Feel free to contact me at anytime so we can make a day and a time work for you.

We will continue to work on sight words, finishing our letters, doing numbers through 20, learning about ten frames, identifying story parts, and learning about positional words. The Pop and Read books will be making their way to your child as much as possible this month. The students are getting very good with these while we play games with them and start using them in our beginner story books. Keep working on them at home as well!

Blue Room Full Day Transitional Kindergarten

Miss Jessica & Miss Joyce

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The beginning of a new year has come and gone before our eyes. It's now February! This month Miss Joyce and I are so excited for the fun things we have planned. This month we are going to be talking about different artists and their different styles of art. We will also be trying some of the fun ways to do art in our classroom. At the end of the month we are going to have an art gallery. The families will be able to come in and check out all the hard work our wonderful artists have done. We are so excited to share all our art with all of you. We will send more information home later this month. We are finally ready to start our addresses. Please be sure to practice at home, too. The children have been doing a great job with sight words. Keep playing the bang game at home!! We are going to be working on patterns and shapes and numbers as well.

This month is also be Valentines Day Party. The Party will be on Wednesday February 14 at 12:30. We will have early dismissal that day at 2:30pm. I will hold conferences on Tuesday February 13 330 to 715. The signup sheet will be located on the mailboxes. If this day doesn't work for me please let me know.

Also we need clean 2 liter pop bottles for a future project if you have any we can use. Thank You! :)

Enrichment Class

Miss Mary Ellen & Miss Stacey

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Hello enrichment families! Did you know that February is the international month of friendship? Friendship is a wonderful part of life, and understanding how to be a good friend is an important life skill. In honor of this, we have begun the 100 Acts of Kindness Challenge. As a class, we've been doing random acts of kindness. Every student who has done at least one kind act can put a sticker up on our chart. So far we have 20 stickers! We will also talk about what it means to be a good friend like sharing, taking turns, cooperating with one another and listening to others. We will read books that highlight these skills. The books include "The Rainbow Fish" by Marcus Pfister, "Friendshape" by Amy Krouse and Tom Lichtenheld, "A Splendid Friend, Indeed" by Suzanne Bloom and "Should I Share My Ice Cream?" by Mo Willems.

Other themes for this month will include fairytales and Valentine's Day. We'll practice our fine motor skills while making valentine cards and beading friendship bracelets and we will do math activities using conversation hearts. As a reminder, we will not have enrichment class on Tuesday 2/13 or Wednesday 2/14 due to the Valentine's Day parties.

