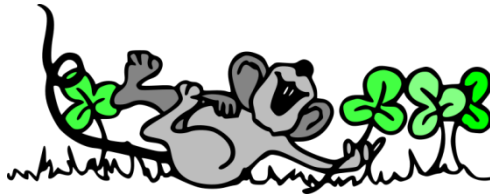


# Robeson Lutheran Preschool



Dear Preschool Families,

It looks like spring weather may finally be here and we were so happy to get outside this week. February was a challenge with lots of delays. Thank you for working with us during our dismissal changes, delays, canceled PEP days, etc., we appreciate your flexibility. February was very busy for such a short month. We had a visit from Ms. Jennifer of Berks Parks & Rec talking to us about hibernation, Ms. Beth, our favorite dentist, visited to talk about dental health, Ms. Dori came to read her book, "Easter Bunny Brother's Lost in the Woods", Valentine parties and a V-Day Dinner Dance kept us busy.

We are looking forward to spring, warmer weather and getting back outside daily! March will be packed with Dr. Seuss, leprechauns, Daddy's Day celebrations and more. April will bring field trips, pictures, egg hunts and Easter. There is always something fun happening here!

## **Registration**

If you have not registered for next year yet, please stop by the preschool office to pick up an application. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool for the fall, please tell them to contact us. You will receive the medical forms packet upon registering and it is due at the start of next year. You may hand it in anytime it is completed.

### **The class choices for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows:**

Toddlers – 2-day: \$108/month OR 3-day: \$165/month  
**Children DO NOT need to be potty-trained to enter this class**  
 (Will turn 2 by September 30, 2019)

3's – 2-day: \$135/month OR 3-day: \$200/month  
**Children must be potty-trained to enter this class.**  
 (Will turn 3 by September 30, 2019)

4's – 3-day: \$206/month OR 4-day: \$290/month  
 (Will be 4 between 1/1/2019-12/31/2019)

Pre-K – 4-day: \$290/month  
 (Will turn 5 by February 29, 2020)



## **Save the Date & Mark your Calendars**

March 19<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>, the Berks County Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services will come to our preschool to do **Hearing Screenings** for ages 3-5 years. If you haven't returned your permission slip, please do so immediately.

**Spring pictures** for Toddlers will be on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> – pictures will be open to students in 3's, 4's and K-Prep. Details will be sent home shortly.

Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> will now be a snow make up day for the following classes ONLY: Tues/Thurs Toddlers, 2 Day 3's, Mrs.Conte's 3's and K-Prep classes.

The preschool will be closed from April 18<sup>th</sup> through April 22<sup>nd</sup> for **Spring Break**.

The 3's classes will go to the Exeter **Library** for story time on April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. We meet at the library; details will be sent home the beginning of April.

**Bingo** to benefit the ministries of the Church/Preschool on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 (doors open at 12). Look for more information later this month.

We are going to **Angora Farm** on April 30<sup>th</sup> (K-Prep) and May 1<sup>st</sup> (4's) AND the **Robo Dairy** on May 14<sup>th</sup> (KPrep) and May 15<sup>th</sup> (4's). Look for more information to follow in April.

**Kindergarten Trip** on a school bus to visit Robeson & Twin Valley Elementary Centers for K-Prep and graduating 4's will be on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Details will be sent home in April.

## **Kindergarten**

For those of you who have children who will be entering Kindergarten next year we have some important information for you. Kindergarten registration for Twin Valley is March 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have a child who turns 5 on or before August 15<sup>th</sup> please call or stop by the office of the elementary school where your child will attend for a packet.

The following telephone numbers are for the three Twin Valley Elementary Schools.

**Honey Brook Elementary 610-273-3615**

**Robeson Elementary 610-582-9580**

**Twin Valley Elementary 610-286-8670**

For those of you in the Governor Mifflin school district, your registration information is as follows: You must register online at [www.governormifflinSD.org](http://www.governormifflinSD.org). When you register, you will also sign up for an orientation date at the same time. Your child must be 5 years old before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

The following telephone numbers are for the three Governor Mifflin Elementary Schools:

**Brecknock Elementary 610-775-5079**

**Cumru Elementary 610-775-5081**

**Mifflin Park Elementary 610-898-1489**

If your child will be attending a school other than Twin Valley or Governor Mifflin, please contact that school for your specific information.



## **Our Families are the Best!**

Thank you for all the cereal donations for Opportunity House and the soup donations for the Food Banks in Berks County! We more than tripled our goals and they were both so very grateful. Thank you for helping us to teach the children about blessings, love and sharing with those less fortunate.

Our families are the BEST source of advertising for the preschool. Please help us to spread the word about how great our preschool is by hanging fliers or posting with us on Facebook. Fliers are available in the preschool office or via email if you would like to distribute some.

**THANK YOU** for all that you do as parents to help our school grow and continue to be a fun place to learn!

## **The Power of Music??**

A new study from MIT and researchers working in Beijing have found that musical training (specifically piano in this study) improves language learning skills for children and is possibly just as beneficial as extra reading lessons.

The study looked at three test groups of 74 children, ages 4 to 5 years old. Researchers found that giving them piano lessons at the age when they were developing their vocabulary “uniquely enhanced cortical responses to pitch changes in music and speech...”

The piano group demonstrated advantages in consonant based word discrimination over the reading group and the control group that did no piano or reading. The musical training helped the preschoolers with speech sound processing.

Another report in Neuron (a neuroscience journal) about a workshop at Nat'l Institutes of Health/Kennedy Center on music and the brain, says that musical training in children can foster the development of a variety of nonmusical skills, may sharpen cognitive abilities, relieve stress and help treat depression. Let the beat go on.



## **Playground Here We Come!**

As the weather becomes warmer we will begin to take the children outside as often as we can. Please remember that sandals, flip flops and crocs make it difficult for your child to run and participate in some activities. Continue to dress your child for the weather – jackets, hats, etc. and Please label everything that comes to the preschool with your child.

## **Save the Dates for Summer Camp and Vacation Bible School:**

Summer camp went so well last year that we will be offering it again this year! We will be offering 2 weeks of camp.

Week 1: Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup> - Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

Week 2: Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>



Both camps run will run 4 days from 9-12. Our Preschool teachers be running camp. Children will need to bring a snack and drink. Applications will be available in the office as it gets closer. Look for information next month on what the theme will be each week!

**Vacation Bible school** will be held again June 24-28<sup>th</sup> from 9-12. Classes will be available for 3 year olds (potty-trained) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Children from all backgrounds are welcome! Look for more information next month!

## **V-Day Dinner Dance**

**Thank you** to all the families that came to the Valentine's Day Dinner Dance! Everyone seemed to have fun! There was good food, dancing & we rose over \$900!



## **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ROBESON LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **LENT/HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE:**

Lenten Services: March 20, 27, April 3 & 10 - Meal at 6:00 pm followed by Service each week.  
Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> services at 7:45 and 10:15 am  
Maundy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm meal followed by Service with Holy Communion  
Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> services at 3:00 and 6:00  
Egg Hunt, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm  
Easter, April 21<sup>st</sup> services at 7:45 and 10:15 am with 9:00 Breakfast

Please join us! We would love to see you!



## **March's Calendar of Events:**

- 1 - Tuition Due
- 7 - Parent/Teacher conferences: K-Prep
- 11- Snow Make Up
- 14 - Parent/Teacher Conferences: 2 Day 3's
- 15 - Parent/Teacher Conferences: 3 Day 3's
- 19 - Hearing Screenings: KPrep & 3's
- 20 - Hearing Screenings: 4's & 3's
- 27 - Dad's Day: 4's
- 28 - Dad's Day: 2 Day 3's
- 29 - Dad's Day: 3 Day 3's



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## **April's Calendar of Events:**

- 1 - Tuition Due
- 2 - Spring Pictures: Toddlers
- 3 - Spring Pictures: Toddlers, 4's
- 4 - Spring Pictures: KPrep, 3's
- 15 - 18 No PEP
- 18 - 22 No School – Spring Break
- 24 - Library Trip – 3 Day 3's
- 25 - Library Trip – 2 Day 3's
- 30 - Angora Farm trip: KPrep



*Thank you for sharing your bundles of joy with us!*

