

# Robeson Lutheran Preschool

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## Welcome 2025!

Happy New Year and welcome to chilly January! We hope that you were able to relax a little and enjoy the magic of the holidays with your family. The Christmas celebrations were wonderful and all the children really did a great job! Thank you for joining us & we hope that everyone enjoyed them!

Thank you for your generosity & support in 2024! Our children, families & teachers are what make the school so special! January is always slow in the beginning as we ease back into our routine every year, which is a nice way to begin the year. We see growth in all the children every January, from potty-training to academics to maturity & confidence in social interactions. It's always rewarding to see how far the children have come in just a few months.

We are excited to begin 2025 and look forward to more learning, fun, love and growth!

Julia "Principal" Bond

## Class Highlights

We returned from break and all the classes are having a great start to the New Year, you'd never know that we took some time off.

Both Toddler classes returned with very few tears after break – all smiles! All the children are growing so quickly & are able to sit in circle time longer. They are learning their letters, colors, shapes, and counting every class. It is heartwarming to see them master a color or shape and how excited they are. They will listen to longer stories during snack time & always enjoy their gym time.☺

Both 3 yr old classes have a snow theme this month and are learning about arctic animals, winter fun, Picasso, and so much more. They are working on their names and continuing to work on colors, shapes, numbers and letters. The science center & sensory bin are both a huge hit in this class. The children have grown so much since September & it's exciting to see the changes in them academically and socially!

The 4's are back on track with their letter of the week & it's fun to see how much they have changed in a few months. They love science, music, being together & everything about school. This is a busy class always learning something new & having fun. They love to stop in the office to share a story or just say hello – which is awesome☺

K-4 returned to work on their last names, phone numbers, and birthdays with the hopes of having a party to celebrate when everyone has mastered theirs. They continue moving right along with their letter of the week, practicing their writing, and numbers. They love free play and have great imaginations when they play in the classroom & the gym.☺

Pre-K always has something fun going on & they were busy the first day back from break working on their last names and much more. Everyone really enjoys the star student, whether it's their turn to be the star or if they are learning more about one of their friends. They love

the morning message and of course Froggy is always a huge hit each day. Birthdays, phone numbers & addresses with a food incentive will be the upcoming excitement in the weeks ahead.

## Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up soon. The schedule for conferences is as follows: MWF Fours: January 29<sup>th</sup>                      K-4: January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Pre-K: February 5<sup>th</sup>                      TTh Threes: February 6<sup>th</sup>  
MWF Threes: February 7<sup>th</sup>

Parent teacher signups will be posted on Bloomz beginning next week. Toddlers do not have conferences, but you are always welcome to talk to Ms. Mickala with any questions you may have.

## Pre-registration

Believe it or not, pre-registration for the 2025-2026 school year will be upon us shortly! Pre-registration is for families who have children currently enrolled, previously had a child attend the school, and for family members of the church. There will be an open registration to the public the following week. An application for the next school year will be sent home with your child prior to pre-registration for their appropriate class. If you have questions, please reach out to us (ie. Child makes Kindergarten cut-off, but you would rather have him/her do Pre-K, should they do 4's or Pre-K, etc.). The teachers are always willing to help you decide what the best choice for your child is!

We have set aside different days for pre-registration. For the children currently enrolled, their siblings and church members; you can begin to pre-register on Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. **When we receive your completed application and \$40 non-refundable application fee (per family) we will put your child's name on a temporary class roster. The roster will become permanent as soon as there are enough children to run the class.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

When we receive your application and fee, you will be given the rest of the forms to be filled out by you and your physician for the start of school. That paperwork needs to be returned to the school no later than August 1st. You are always welcome to hand in the forms earlier, which we encourage and appreciate.

We will continue to offer Toddler, 3's, 4's, Pre-K and PEP for the 2025-2026 school year and classes will depend on registration numbers.

February 18th will begin registration open to the public. Applications will be available in the office as well as online. Please spread the word to family & friends about our great preschool program! We love to give tours, so please tell them to contact us. You are our best source of advertising!☺

# **Calendar of Events**

## **January**

- 1 - No School – Winter Break
- 2 - Classes resume & Tuition Due
- 8 - Chapel Time 9:15 for Pre-K, K-4 & 4's
- 9 - NO PEP for staff in-service
- 19 - Youth Sunday at 10:30 Church Service
- 20 - No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 21 - Visiting author – Pre-K, K-4 and 3's
- 22 - Visiting author – 4's & 3's
- 29 - 4's Conferences (Mrs. Milligan's class)
- 30 - K-4 Conferences (Mrs. Massafra's class)
- 31 - Event Committee meeting at 6:30/Meet & Greet at 7:00

## **February**

- 1 - Tuition due
- 4 - No PEP due to staff in-service
- 5 - Pre-K Class Conferences (Mrs. Conte's class)
- 6 - TTh 3's Class Conferences (Ms. Alicia's class)
- 7 - MWF 3's Class Conferences (Ms. Alicia's class)
- 8 - Valentine Dinner Dance 6-8
- 10 - Registration begins for current/former/church families
- 12 - Wildlife Detectives Program
- 14 & 17 - No School: President's Day weekend
- 16 - Youth Sunday at 10:30 Church Service
- 18 - Registration is open to the public



## **March**

- 1 - Tuition due
- 5 - Chapel time at 9:15 for Pre-K, K-4 & 4's
- 6 - No PEP due to staff in-service
- 17 - No School
- 18 - Vision Screenings for 3's, Pre-K, K-4 & TTh Toddlers
- 19 - Vision Screenings for 3's, 4's & MW Toddlers
- 26 - Dad's Day for 4's, 3's & MW Toddlers
- 27 - Dad's Day for Pre-K, K-4, TTh Toddlers & 3's

# Snow Day Policy Reminder

Please check Bloomz and follow Twin Valley School Districts' information. If TVSD has a delay, we will follow the 1 hour delay schedule listed in the Handbook and all classes will begin one hour later & end one hour later. We will be closed if TVSD is closed. There will be a message on Bloomz & FaceBook also. If we have no school or a delay due to snow, there will be no PEP. If we have to dismiss early due to snow, PEP will be cancelled for that day and we will contact you during the morning.



With the cold weather upon us, please remember to dress your children warmly and please label everything they bring along to school – hats, scarfs, gloves/mittens, etc.

## A Note from PEP

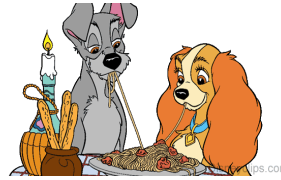
Ms. Mickala and Ms. Christy always have something fun planned each day. It has been a great start to the year and the kids are having so much fun every afternoon! PEP is a fun program filled with music, science, crafts and cooking that the kids absolutely love. Check out the PEP Bloomz page to see what your child is doing in PEP and ask them about it. Monday and Wednesday is completely filled – in fact, it is so full that Ms. Tish has joined us those days to help! ☺

## Many THANKS to our Event Committee!

Trunk or Treat and the Pancakes with Santa were both so much fun and the turnout was wonderful! These fun events are only possible thanks to the many volunteers that help to make them happen. We are extremely grateful for the volunteers who help at Preschool! The committee is always working on something: Valentine's Dinner Dance Party, Egg Hunt, Ice Cream Social & Fundraisers. Please contact Tina DeNisco or Julia Bond if you are interested in helping! Volunteers are needed to continue these fun events. The next meeting will be on Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 and there will be a Meet & Greet at 7:00 for parents looking to connect with other parents or get involved. Open the sign up link below for more information.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COF4EABAA23A4FCC25-54241152-meet>

## Valentine's Dinner Dance Party



Join us on February 8<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 for a Spaghetti dinner, dancing and fun! Make your reservation today because seating is limited. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child (3 & up) with a \$30 family max. BYOB (beer & wine only) and bring a dessert to share. There will be a 50/50 drawing. Please sign up to donate an item for the event if you are interested (amazon sign up link is below). Contact the office to make a reservation or with any questions. Hope to see you there for a fun evening!

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/UJ2BA4CITDUU>

## Classroom Donations are always very much appreciated!

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate baby wipes, cleaning products, zip lock bags and more! Look for an updated list of needed items in Bloomz later this month. We use a lot of cleaning supplies, so everyone's thoughtfulness & generosity is truly appreciated! ☺



## Crayon Initiative

Our local girl scouts are collecting used crayons, which will be made into new ones and sent to children's hospitals. Crayons do not biodegrade, so this is a great way to keep them out of the landfills and create new crayons for children who are receiving medical care in hospitals. There is a box located in the lobby where you can place your used crayons. The collection box will be there through the end of the school year (May).



**We have great families at the Preschool!**  
**We truly appreciate all that you do to support us!**