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Week 22 Themes: March 2-6, 2015

- LETTER: "K", as in: KITE, KANGAROO, KEY, KAZOO. This is for Pre-K.
- TO STUDY AND PLAY: Easter, Spring, Bunnies
- We just dumped out a bunch of bags of shredded paper. It really looks like it snowed in our back yard. The kids are having a great time with it.
 - Miss Filey is planting the Easter baskets with wheat grass with both classes all this week. (We still need 12 more gal. containers. Thanks to everyone for sending yours in.)
 - Mrs. Zweers is making bunny bread on Wednesday
- MOVEMENT ROOM: Miss Filey will be in the game room (as we call it) for the next 5 weeks. Ask your children what they got to do with Miss Filey downstairs.

Week 23 Themes: March 9-13, 2015

- LETTER: "A" as in: APPLE, ANT, AIR.
- TO STUDY AND PLAY: Easter, Spring, Ducks, Pond
 - Mrs. Zweers will be making "Milky, Muddy, Milkshakes", on Wednesday to celebrate the ducks. T
 - The baby ducks arrive on Tuesday, March 10th. Mrs. Edeal will be taking a group at a time so every child will be able to hold a baby duck. We need a family to take the ducks home on March 20, 21, 22. Write me a note if you are interested and put it in the basket. Thanks

Week 24 Themes: March 16-20, 2015

- LETTER: "V" As in VOLCANO. VELCRO, VASE. VAN. This is for Pre-K.
- TO STUDY AND PLAY: Easter, Spring, Ducks, Pond, Insects
 - Mrs. Zweers will be making Fruit Salad, from the book, "The Very Hungry Caterpillar", this Wednesday

Week 25 Themes: March 23-27, 2015

- LETTER: "M & N" As in MONKEY, MOM, NUMBERS, NEST, NOSE, NAIL. This is for Pre-K.
- TO STUDY AND PLAY: Jesus Is Alive! Easter, Spring, Ducks, Pond, Insects. ***EASTER PARTIES****
 - Miss Filey will let the children play in vanilla pudding on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
 - Mrs. Edeal (me) will be dyeing eggs with the children at the parties. We need lots of eggs for this. The list for the party will be coming soon.
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March Tuition Due: Tuition is due by the 10th of each month to avoid late fees. Thanks to everyone that is able to pay early.

Parakeets Arrived Today: Today we received a gift of 10 parakeets in a very large cage. There is a breeding pair that is ready to lay more eggs. I will need a home for them over the Easter Vacation, March 27 through April 6 or 7th. Let me know if you are interested in keeping them for that week. Preferably no cats or dogs in the house. If you are interested in sending in parakeet treats, check at the feed store for suggested items, since I have no idea. We are interested in regifting some of the birds, so if your family thinks they are ready for a new pet or 2, let me know in writing. Thanks

Portraits: On Thursday and Friday, March 5 & 6, Jesse will be here taking portraits of all the children. IF you want more than just your one child in a portrait that day, we ask that you come about 8:30 to get special portraits done. Jesse is great getting a whole family to look good, so if you want to plan on something special, now is the time to think about it. IF you have no special plans for this portrait, just drop off your child as usual and we will be sure that the photo is taken. We will get a class photo as well each day with the teachers. There is no obligation to buy anything.

The Ducks are coming: On Tuesday, March 10th, the ducks will arrive in the mail. We will need a home for them the weekend of March 20, 21, 22. Let me know if you are interested in keeping them for that weekend. Preferably no cats or dogs in the house.

Birthday Crowns: check the website: <http://mounthermon.org/playschool#calendar>). If the day that I picked is not good for you, please let me know and we can work out something else with a day that will work better for you.

You may bring a treat to celebrate the birthday crown day. We suggest small, non gooey treats. Jello jigglers, pop corn, small cookies and cupcakes with very little or no frosting, small pieces of fruit, rice crispy treats, frozen bananas on a stick are some ideas. Remember that we are peanut free (really the only seed/nut we have at school this year is sunflower).

About FOOD ALLERGYIES: Due to the really bad effects of peanuts on Emmy, we ask that everyone wash hands really well before they enter the school. I cannot be on your hands or face or clothes. Thanks so much for helping us keep Emmy and Isaiah healthy.

Helpful tips for success at school:

1. BATHROOM: The children are trying to go to the bathroom on their own, but when there are snaps and zippers, or even really tight fitting elastic in the waste of the pants, it is impossible for them to complete this task alone.
2. SHOES: If you have shoes that the child can take off and put on by themselves that is the best for school. Velcro and elastic can usually work, but we will help them when needed. Long shoe laces can get caught in the wheels of the trikes.
- 3.

Book Orders: Due Friday, March 13. Turn in orders in the basket on the check-in counter or go online (code is GYBPK). Check with Miss Filey if you have any question.

Miss Filey Needs: Miss Filey is still looking for 2 liter soda bottles.

As the Easter parties get closer I am thankful for all the parents that have done the paperwork necessary to help us in the class room. So if you think that you may want to help with a party or project, remember that only the parents that have the paperwork done and proof of a TB skin test can work on the room. Ask me, Kahleen, if you have any questions.

We welcome Ann Jenks to our TTh class as a teacher. Abbie decided to drop out for now, so we are thrilled to have Ann who is close by and loves working here at Play School.

Blessings to all,
Kahleen Edeal with Monica Zweers, Brigitte Ross, and Faith Filey