

Hilltop Preschool ^{of} Zion Lutheran Church

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Where Love of Learning Begins

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LADYBUG BUZZ



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Preschool Reenrollment

It's time to start thinking about you school plans for the next school year! During January you have the opportunity to reenroll your child(ren) before open enrollment begins in February. Classes could fill up fast as a few inquiries regarding enrollment for next year have already started. Also be thinking about your enrollment needs in the wraparound program as well.

On February 21st from 1-3pm the preschool will hold an open house for current and prospective families. You will receive more information as the open house details are set.



WMU Cleaning at Read Field House

Just three more cleanings! The signup sheet is on the information station bulletin board - put your name on there today! Please consider helping out the preschool. So far this year the past cleanings have taken a little over an hour to do, which isn't long considering we make about \$200!

Jan 16 3:30pm Feb 20 3:30pm Mar 4 8:30pm

Hilltop Read-A-Thon

To promote the lifelong love of reading and to raise a little extra funding, Hilltop Preschool will be hold a Read-A-Thon during the month of February. Look for more information to come home soon.



Mark Friday, January 22 on your calendar! Hilltop Preschool will present a Veggie Tale movie-complete with popcorn!

Watch for details to come home soon.



Wanted: Art Work



If you or someone you know has a piece of artwork that you would like to donate to the preschool for the 6th annual art auction let April know and she will jot your name down or just bring it in. The pieces are used in a silent auction that is used in conjunction with an auction of our preschooler's artwork. Quality items such as handmade jewelry, quilts, stained glass, pottery and sculptures are just a few ideas.

Curricula Themes

Detailed curricula is posted on the Information Station bulletin board.



Yellow Bugs



Mrs. Sward

Four Seasons
Life of Jesus

Mrs. Olson

Mrs. Markham

Winter

Mrs. Marshall



Mrs. Rice

The Library
Welcome Winter
The Five Senses

Mrs. Sward

Weather
Life of Jesus

Mrs. Olson

Orange Bugs



Mrs. Markham

Winter

Mrs. Marshall

Library



Curl up with these books on a snowy day:

- *The Hat by Jan Brett
- *Winter Time
- *Annie & The Wild Animals by Jan Brett
- *One Minute Bedtime Stories by Shari Lewis
- *The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats



Wraparound Mrs. Johnson & Ms. Pratt

Week of:	Science:	Art:	Color/Letter/Number Shape/Symbol:
Jan. 4-8	melting	wax melting	yellow/S
Jan. 11-15	dinosaurs	Henri Matisse-collage	J/oval
Jan. 18-22	senses	prints	9/shell
Jan. 25-29	magnets	crayon	gray/D

Weekly Bible Story



- Jan. 4-8~The Wise Men find Jesus
- Jan. 11-15~The Boy Jesus in the Temple
- Jan. 18-22~Jesus' Baptism
- Jan. 25-29~Jesus Calls the Disciples

Administrative News:



Office Hours:
9am-3:30pm

A Letter from our Administrative Assistant: April Alexopoulos

We are so happy to welcome our new students. If you see a new face, please introduce yourself and say hello.

As crazy as it may seem, enrollment for students returning next year begins January 4. If you are a returning student, an enrollment form should be in your child's mailbox when school resumes after break. Let me know if you have any questions.

Open enrollment for new students begins February 1 so don't delay in getting your paperwork in, we are receiving calls each week from new families interested in joining Hilltop. Please let family and friends know we are enrolling students for the 2010-2011 school year and invite them to the Open House coming up Sunday, February 21 from 1-3pm. We don't want anyone to miss this opportunity to visit the preschool, meet the teachers, and let their children explore the environment.

Try to embrace winter, some cultures never see a beautiful snowflake!

Thank You

Thanks to all who bought and sold poinsettias for Hilltop's annual sale. Special thanks to Darcie Kiessling, Amy Tomlinson and Angela Bowers for picking up the plants and Melissa Noseworthy for helping to distribute them.

The staff thanks everyone who gave a gift to the preschool. The children will have fun using the new items!

Midyear Supply Request

The preschool is always in need of: 5oz Dixie cups, glue sticks, newspaper, tissue paper (any color), Lysol disinfectant spray and Clorox Anywhere Sanitizing Spray.

Feel like your house has been overrun with new Christmas toys...consider donating the old ones to the Hilltop!

Hilltop Events for January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Back to School	5	6 Ethan & Evan's birthday	7	8	9
10	11 Hilltop Action League 7pm	12	13	14	15	16 WMU cleaning 3:30 pm
17	18 MLK Jr. Day	19	20	21	22 Family movie Night 7pm	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Hilltop Action League Meeting
7pm Jan. 11 at Zion

Learn more about what is going on at your child's school and take an active part in their education. Everyone is welcome.

Upcoming Dates in February:

8th Hilltop Action League Meeting 7pm
11th Valentine Party
12th Valentine Party
21st Hilltop Open House 1-3p
24th Parent Roundtable 6pm

Don't forget to clip labels for education



and turn in Capri-Sun pouches!



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