

Mrs. Strehlow
4K Newsletter
February 6, 2016



Important Updates

The stomach flu has hit Grace pretty hard this last week. Our class has been pretty much spared, except that I got it Thursday night and Mrs. Alvord on Friday night. Thanks to Mrs. Alvord for smoothly taking over in my absence Friday. Unfortunately, I will also be gone Monday for my uncle's funeral in Illinois. Other Grace teachers are stepping in to teach for me then. I will see you all again on Tuesday.

This coming week we celebrate our 7th and 8th grade basketball teams and our Grace Classic Tournament which will be held Thursday-Sunday, February 11-14. We will have special dress-up days: Monday-pajamas, Tuesday-favorite sports team, Wednesday-character from movie or book, Thursday-Blue and Gold Grace gear, Friday-More blue and gold including hair color and face paint. It should be a fun week! Please sign up to volunteer to help with the tournament on the school website.

This Friday, February 12, each class will have a Valentine's Day party. Please send in 15 valentines for your child's classmates. **DO NOT ADDRESS** them, but just have your child sign their name on each Valentine. That way everyone can hand out their own valentines.

On Saturday morning, February 27, we will be having an open gym/open house for preschool families. This is for current 3K and 4K families and prospective preschool students for next year. We would love for you to come and play and invite anyone you know who may be looking for a wonderful 3K and 4K program for next year. We will have tours of the school and extended care and it will be a wonderful chance for new families to meet each other and to meet and connect with current families. We'd love for you to share your good experiences with other families that are considering Grace, and give you a place to let your kids let off a little steam for an hour or so on a Saturday morning.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 2/10 - Ash
Wednesday Service at Church at 6:30. Supper at church at 5:30

2/11-2/14 - Grace Classic
Basketball Tournament

Friday 2/12 - Valentine's Day
Party

Monday, 2/15 - NO SCHOOL

2/22 -2/25 - 4K Conferences

Saturday, 2/27 - Preschool Open
Gym/ Open House

Sunday, 4/24 - 3K and 4K sing at
11:00 church. Potluck lunch
after church for all 3K and 4K
families. Please mark your
calendars!

Jesus' Time

We learned about the parable of the forgiving father this week. We learned that Jesus does not like when we do naughty things, but He never stops loving us. We forgive others, because Jesus forgives us.

Books & Videos This Week

- My L Book
- This is a Groundhog
- What Happens on Groundhog's Day
- 100 Days of School
- 100th Day Worries
- The Prodigal Son
- Stories Jesus Told
- Video- It's My Shadow

Letter of the Week & Sight Words

Sight Words: me, be

This week we learned the letter L with the story of Looney Lion. We made a ladybug wheel of L words and wrote about a lion. We made a little book called, "My Look Book" which the kids should read to you.

Everyone can bring in something that starts with the letter M next Friday.

Theme - Groundhogs & 100th Day of School

We used our Weekly Readers to learn how shadows are made. We learned the legend of Groundhog's Day but also learned about groundhogs. We determined that he did not see his shadow here in Menomonee Falls so we are expecting spring-like weather!

We had fun celebrating our 100th day of school on Wednesday! Each class had a chance to work with some kindergarten students on 2 fun 100 projects in both classrooms. We also visited the "100 Museum" made by all 3 classes.

Centers

- I-pads - Practiced L and l.
- Listening Center - Snow Dance
- Practiced writing number 2 in shaving cream
- Dot painted 100 dots
- Made a penguin puppet

Math

We practiced ordering numbers 1 - 5 and matched numbers to objects. We walked around school and took pictures on the I-pads of circles and rectangles located throughout the school. We practiced writing number 3.

Next Week: Snack and Mystery Bag

Morning Class: Carson
Afternoon Class: Mason

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