

Robert H. Lange Preschool      February 2012  
Mrs. Larsen and Mrs. May      Room 5      MWF A.M.

*To Know Christ and Make Him Known*

January Summary

January's theme **Books A to Z**, brought some new activities to room 5. We have enlarged our writing center to encourage the children to experiment with various forms of print. We added environmental print in the dramatic play area, by adding various containers and box fronts of cereals/snacks that the children might enjoy at home. We played a game where the children "read" the card that contained their favorite food items. Popular ones: Shake n'Pour Bisquick pancake mix, Cheez-its and Cinnamon Toast Crunch! Lastly we created an audio center where the children can sit with a friend and listen to a book on tape. All of these new activities encourage language development and build self-esteem. Watch as your child brings papers home where he/she has "printed" their name☺

We continue to build fine motor skills with cutting, salt drawing, using tongs to pick up letters for alphabet soup. This past week we played "Pick-up Sticks". What fun to play the game and experiment building letters with the sticks. Two children carried this activity over to create letters with the star builders. Love it!

We also enjoyed many group activities this month, Open House, Grandparents Day and lastly Pretend City. It was a blessing to see the children sharing their classroom and daily activities with all of you. They are so proud of their accomplishments.

Pretend City was an exciting field trip! It is a museum designed for children to experience a child-size city. They were able to role-play various community helpers, be a rock star or paint a masterpiece just to name a few!

February Activities

**Theme: "More than Counting"**

**Bible Verse:**  
**"And forgive us our trespasses"**

**Color: Blue      Shape: Oval**  
**Value: Forgiveness**

**Share Days:**  
**Fri. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>** Share your favorite number in our Number Parade☺.

**Fri. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>** Share something blue.

**Fri. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>** Share something oval.

**Important Dates:**  
**Fri. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> Number Parade! 11:30**

**Mon. Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> thru Tues. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Signature Catalog Fundraiser**

**Mon. Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> Friendship Party**

**Fri. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> School Closed**  
**Presidents Holiday**

The day of our Friendship party we will share Valentines. Your child can bring in homemade valentines or store bought but please no candy or treats! Have them sign only their name on the card.

We will continue presenting the alphabet in its entirety, however we will examine more closely the letters: A,V,H,I,E and F for similarity in letter formation.

Watch closely this month as we reveal different math and science concepts included in **More than Counting!**