

# THE BLEAT



**Messiah Lambs**  
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**JANUARY**  
2019

## Amy Myers, Director

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope you and your family experienced much peace and joy this Christmas. The staff and I are happy to return to school to see your children's faces, hear their laughter and watch them grow and learn.

In January, we hit the ground running with many big school wide and classroom events. We will celebrate National Lutheran School's Week from January 28- February 3 with exciting themed days and opportunities for grandparents to visit. Children in the 2's classes through Kindergarten will sing at Messiah Lutheran Church on Sunday, February 3 at the 11 am service. Please refer to your class calendars and upcoming notes from your child's teacher regarding plans for this week.

Now is the time to begin thinking about your plans for the next school year. Registration for the 2019-2020 academic school year will begin on February 4<sup>th</sup> for current Lambs and church families. Information regarding registration will be sent home with your child this month. It is important you read through the information thoroughly to review the new fees and important changes to the preschool classes schedule and pricing. Registration will then open to the public beginning February 11<sup>th</sup>.

The most effective advertising tool Messiah Lambs has is you! Your recommendations of our programs to friends, family, neighbors and on Social Media are very helpful and greatly appreciated. We thank you for your commitment to our program and for allowing us to serve your family.

## Calendar

**January 7 – School resumes**

**January 21 – MLK Jr. Day – No School**

**January 28-Feb 1 – National Lutheran Schools Week**

**February 3 – Preschool and 2s sing at MLC at 11am**

**February 4 – 2019-20 Registration begins for Lambs and church families**

**February 11 – 2019-20 Registration begins for the public**

## BIRTHDAYS



Toby Meeks	01/01
Sutton Tusa	01/01
Luke Bailes	01/10
Logan Dean	01/12
Nora Stewart	01/21
Emily Dang	01/24
Vivian Scholl	01/26
Agatha Suarez	01/28





## INFANTS

**Ms. Pam & Ms. Cathy K.**

It's a brand new year, amazing things are sure to happen in 2019!

God Keeps Me Safe

God Keeps Baby Jesus Safe

Our Bible Story is: "Baby Jesus Travels To Egypt" (Matt.2:13-14) The focus is to teach the children that God watches over them and keeps them safe, and help them grow to trust in God's care. Our Bible Verse: God cares for you. (1 Peter 5:7)

Songs : When You Are.....

It's Good To Give Thanks

God Is Listening

What To Wear

Some play activities are: follow me, take a nap, pretend travel and plop & play. We have pictures to look at of how God cares for us and pictures of snow. We will even try a few crafts. January will be a great month; we are excited to share it with your children.



## TODDLERS

**Ms. Sandra, Ms. Rashelle & Ms. Paige**

**We're glad to get back together after very enjoyable holidays. We thank God for keeping us safe and healthy during a time of travel, get-togethers and seasonal busyness.**

**Our Bible verse for January is 'God cares for you.' This month we will focus on the colors blue & white, shape oval, number 6, and we will talk about winter, snowmen, penguins and good manners.**

**We thank all the parents for our Christmas gifts, but more importantly, the trust you put in us to care for your children each day. We feel blessed by the all rewards we receive from our experiences with them.**



## TWOS

**Ms. Cathy H., Ms. Dawn, Ms. Jaclyn & Ms. Rashelle**

### CHAPEL SONG FOR JANUARY

-This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (x 3)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Every day, every day, I'm going to let my little light shine

### THEMES FOR JANUARY

-The Color Blue

-Oval Shape

-Number Six (6)

-Winter (Science)

-Manners

-Little Boy Blue

### BIBLE STORIES

-Jesus Grows as a Child

-The Boy Jesus at the Temple

-Jesus is Baptized

-Jesus Chooses 12 Disciples

Our art and craft projects will reflect these themes and stories. A few projects will include making *Cotton Snowman*, *Falling Snow*, *Penguins*, *Horn*, *Art processing with Ovals*, *Hot Coca Mug*, *Number 6*, *Mittens* and other winter theme projects!





## 3 DAY THREES

(Monday, Wednesday, Friday)

### Jackie Ford

Happy New Year to all. We'll be starting the New Year with a unit study of the coldest places on the earth, namely the Arctic and Antarctic. We'll discover what kind of animals live in such a frigid climate. The favorite animals we'll spend time on are polar bears and penguins. At the end of January we will also turn to those humans in our neighborhood as we study who are our community helpers.

We're still working on our alphabet, adding the letters L, M, and N to our collection. This month we will also take our numbers all the way to ten. As always, improving those fine motor skills is a priority and we will be doing scissors work every week.

I'm looking forward to reading some great books with the class this month, including The Lost Penguin, Polar Bears, The Ocean, and Community Helpers



## 3 DAY THREES

(Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

### Christina Garcia

Welcome back!!! I hope you all had a great holiday break. We will be getting back on track with our daily routines. This month's themes are: Winter, Arctic Animals, and Community Helpers.

Letters: Cc, Bb, Nn, & Kk

Discovery bags due by Thursday.

Bible stories: Jesus grows up as a child, the boy Jesus at the temple, Jesus is baptized and Jesus chooses 12 disciples.

You are welcome to join us for Chapel every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Remember to please dress your child appropriately for the weather and label his or her coat/jacket. I am so excited to see what the New Year has in store for us!!

## Music



Cathy Haedge

Wise Men  
 What Did You Get for Christmas?  
 Sing with Me  
 Who Has the Wiseman?  
 The Old Grey Cats  
 Sixteen Dances  
 Goodnight--Laurie Berkner  
 Bean Bag Rag  
 Paper Bag Boogie  
 Bells and Chimes



## 5 DAY THREES

**Brenda Buchwald**

The first half of our school year is over and I have begun to see a lot of growth in the children's motor skills. You will notice that they will begin learning and retaining more this spring. We will also begin working on writing our names, and sight recognition of letters and numbers. The second half of the year will get to explore some exciting units like dinosaurs, community helpers, space, Texas, the rainforest and others. Who knows we may have some future doctors, paleontologists or astronauts in our class!

**Themes:** Winter/Penguins; Pets; Community Helpers

**Study:** Letters P, Q, R and S; Numbers 8 and 9

**Star Student:** Visishta

**Science:** Compare eggshells to teeth by soaking them in soda to see what happens

**Bible Stories:** *Jesus Grows As a Child, The Boy Jesus At the Temple, Jesus Is Baptized, and Jesus Chooses 12 Disciples*

**Upcoming Events:** Lutheran Schools Week - Monday, January 28th through Sunday, February 3rd. Special dress up themes include: Monday - Hawaiian Day, Tuesday - Western Day, Wednesday - Sports Day, Thursday, Crazy Hair/Hat Day and Friday - Pajama Day. We are also asking for as many children who can to participate in singing during second service on Sunday, February 3rd.

Please remember that the school will be **closed on Monday, January 21st** for Martin Luther King Day.



## FOURS

**Debra Friestad, Rebecca West & Carmen Rowan**

**Units:** *New Years/Winter, Traditional Tales, Favorite Authors, Lutheran Schools Week*

**Bible Stories:** *Simeon and Anna, The Boy Jesus at the Temple, Jesus Chooses 12 Disciples, Lutheran School Week Theme*

**Chapel Songs:** *"Jesus Loves Me", "Come and Go With Me", "Gospel Light" or "Disciple Name Song", "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"*

*During Lutheran Schools Week we will have a different theme each day for which we can dress up and have a special snack. Monday will be Hawaiian Day, Tuesday is western day, Wednesday you can represent your favorite sports team, Thursday is crazy hair or hat day, and Friday is pajama day.*

*On Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> we will sing at the 11am service in honor of Lutheran Schools Week.*

*During January we will focus on letters with left ear curves - Cc, G, e, a, d, g, and q.*

*January 9<sup>th</sup> is half way day for the 5 day classes! Can you believe it! KPrep classes are also counting to 100 days which will occur on January 28<sup>th</sup> barring any snow days.*

*January 16<sup>th</sup>, during our traditional tales unit, we will have "Gingerbread Day".*

*Please dress your child appropriately for the cooler weather and make sure coats and jackets are labeled.*

**Mrs. Friestad's Star Student:** *Emily Dang (1/7)* **Birthdays:** *Emily Dang (1/25); Agatha Suarez (1/28)* **Healthy Snacks:** *Emily Dang (1/9 & 1/24) Agatha Suarez (1/28)*

