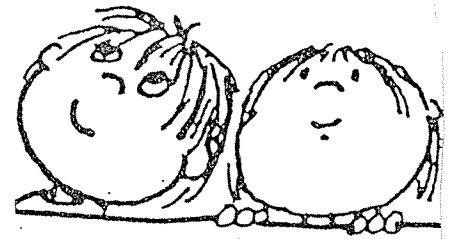


A Trip Around the World April 2017



Dear Folks at Home,

Our new unit will focus on "A Trip Around the World." Throughout our past units we have explored the "world" that the children live, know and learn in and now we are going to move beyond our "daily lives" to look at countries and cultures from around the world. We will be doing this through maps, books, pictures and things from a variety of different countries. As part of this unit we will be creating passports for each child, so they are able to share what countries they have learned about while at school. If you have any good children's books about other countries and cultures, we would love to read them to the children. Also if you have something interesting to share from another country please let me know and we would love to share it with the class! Mrs. Johnson will share her wonderful experiences of being a missionary in Africa!

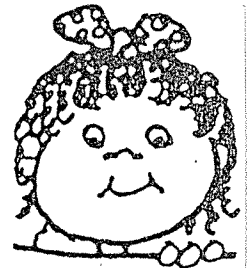
The dramatic play area will be transformed into an Airport/Airplane with travel brochures from a variety of places. The children will be heading to variety of destinations on their imaginative vacations! It is amazing to watch how the children's imaginations steers their play into so many different directions.

During our Jesus times we will learn about when Jesus appears to His followers and His ascension Pentecost (Acts 2) and Rhoda and Peter's surprise (Acts 12:1-19). Through the power of the Holy Spirit we can share the Good News that Jesus is the Savior of the world!

Our next field trip will be to Wargo Nature Center on Wednesday, May 10 (Class 3) and Thursday, May 11 (Class 6). We will be dividing into groups to explore a variety of activities with naturalists at the nature center. We ask that the children pack a disposable lunch and drink for a picnic lunch before returning to school at 12:30. Please wear weather appropriate outerwear and good walking shoes for our field trip.

Free-choice Activities:

- Science Center: Multi-Cultural Instruments
- Sensory Centers: vehicles in the sand table, transportation geoboards, sealife in the water table and desert animals in the sand table
- Religion: On the road at Easter, Jesus' *Ascension*, Blessed at Pentecost and Rhoda and Peter's Surprise
- Art Table: Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts
- Easel: Passport and create a map
- Letter of the Week: Review
- Numbers: 100 (1's, 5's and 10's)
- Shapes: Review



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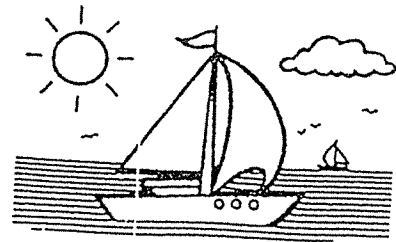
Dates to Remember:

- Spring Program— Monday, April 24 at 7:00 in the church sanctuary
- Fire Fighter's Visit— Class 3— Wednesday, May 3
Class 6— Thursday, May 4
- Field Trip to Wargo Nature Center— (school ends at 12:30)
Class 3— Wednesday, May 10
Class 6— Thursday, May 11
- Last Day of School— Class 3— Wednesday, May 17 (Closing Chapel at 10:45—
School
Ends at 11:30)
Class 6— Thursday, May 18 (Closing Chapel at 10:45— School
Ends at 11:30)

Songs and Fingerplays:

"She'll be Coming Around the Mountain"

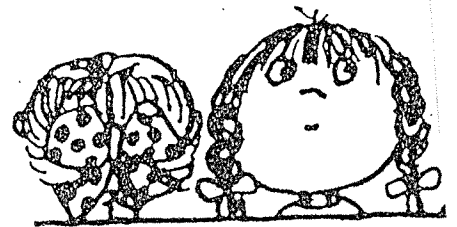
She'll be coming around the mountain when she comes,
She'll be coming around the mountain when she comes.
She'll be coming around the mountain,
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She'll be coming around the mountain when she comes.



Let the children make up new verses for the song. (I.e. he'll be riding on a horsey; she'll be driving a motorcycle)

Fingerplay "Train"

Here is a train (Make a fist for the train)
Here is a track (Hold other arm level)
Choo-choo forward! (Move fist forward on arm)
Choo-choo back! (Move fist backwards on arm)
Here are the wheels going clackety clack (spin arms round and round)
Poof! Goes the smoke from the big smokestack! (Hit hands together over head)



In Christ,

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