

LVCNS Newsletter

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School News



I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and restful vacation. I can't believe we are almost half way through the school year. So many exciting things are happening here and the children are growing and learning everyday. You may have noticed some changes on the playground. In early December, we embarked on a huge playground remediation process to align with the State guidelines to comply with the Consumer Safety Standards. All of that is fancy for, keeping our kids as safe as possible when they are playing outside. Some equipment needed to be moved so that if children were to fall, they would fall in a safety zone and not come in contact with other structures. We are also replacing some broken parts on the firetruck and that will be done as soon as the parts come in. The playground was also remulched for more padding. While still enjoying the temperate weather we have had this Fall and early winter, It's always possible that snow will fall anytime now. In preparation for emergency closing, please remember to check your cell phone, as you will be contacted through the **Remind system**. If your number has changed, please contact the office, so we can get you up to date, This is the best way to know if school is delayed or closed. I will leave a message on the office phone and post on facebook. The website **will not be** updated for closures and delays. We will also use Remind if we would like the children to bring snowclothes(Boots, snowpants, hats, gloves, coats) so that we can play in the snow. In February, take a visit to the WT public Library to see our Nursery School's display of LOVE. Our art work will be up for all of February. Speaking Of LOVE your teachers are beginning to prepare for LOVE programs for your child's class. Dates for this wonderful program should be coming home shortly .

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Upcoming Events

First Friends ~1/4
Mommy &Me ~1/12
Coffee and Kids~1/14
Tricky Tray Mtg ~1/14
School Closed ~1/18
Registration ~1/19-1/22
School Closed~ 2/15
VIP day ~ 2/ 20
TRICKY TRAY~3/11(Save the date)

Dear Parents/ Registration/VIP day

Registration for the 2016-2017 will take place in January. You will be receiving a registration packet in your child's school bag to fill out or you can download the form from our website. Church members may register on January 19th. On January 20, registration opens to current LVCNS families. We will open at 7am and registrations will be dated and time stamped in the order they are received. Jan 22, new families may register. If you are a current Mommy and Me student or First friend, you are considered a current family. **As of now , we are adding the ability to use PayPal/ Major credit card so that you can pay tuition for a small, 3% service charge each time you process a**

charge. You will need to pay in the office. If you interested in hearing about class options, please call us here at school and I'd be happy to help you make a decision that is right for your child. If you know any new families who are interested in our school, Please pass along that are hosting an **Open House on January 11th** to tour the school and meet the staff. The Open House will take place from 9am -10:30am Saturday, February 20th, Children will attend a shortened preschool day. Children are asked to invite a special VIP to attend school with them, to see all the wonderful things they do at school including, circle time, songs, art and music...Details to follow



*“Play is the
highest form of
research”
Albert Einstein*

Parent Night Out

Parent Night Out on December 11th was a huge success. The children had a great time with the Highlanders for Humanity High school club from West Morris Central as well as help from the youth ministry of the Zion Lutheran Church the children participated in play time, crafts, scooter fun, parachute games, pizza and an ice cream craft. They even had a special visit from Anna and Elsa. We raised \$285

for the school. Many parents asked if we would do it again. Stay tuned for the next date!

First Friends/Mommy & Me is beginning

First Friends is a gentle introduction to preschool for our youngest children. Children must be 3 By October 1, 2016. We have a few spots left. Classes begin January 4, 2016. Class is M&W mornings. Call us, or stop by to register. Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Hooker are our teachers Spring Mommy & Me will begin on

January 12 and run for 8 weeks, The cost for this one morning program is \$160. Mrs. Horner is excited to get started on the next session. She plans wonderful art projects, music, circle time. Children get the advantage of spending time in a classroom while having the comfort of a parent guiding them

Other News~ “Coffee and Kids”

We are starting a free play group on Thursdays in January. This group will be organized by parents. There will be no teacher instruction. Parents can bring refreshments and use the big room to supervise the play of your young children while connecting and chatting with other parents/ caregivers. The room will be available on most Thursdays from

9am -10:30am. This group is for parents with children under 2 years old. Parents will be responsible for setting up, supervising play and cleaning up the area (@10:15) there are bathrooms and changing station available for your use. Please call the office to register as the number of children will be limited. I am looking for parents to help organize refreshments and general organization of this group

Enrichment ~

Mrs. Keane will be back this month to teach a science lesson. The children will be making their own butter. Ms. Emily (Rochotte) will be visiting all classes this month for Spanish class. Miss Carlson will also continue music and movement class once a month. In February a

local dentist will come in to talk to use about healthy teeth habits. If you have a special talent you would like to share with us, please let us know. We would LOVE to have you join us

Spirit wear

Spirit wear is here at Long Valley Christian. Here is the link to visit our school store.. <https://ssastores.com/store/long-valley-christian-long-valley-nj/>

They have a large selection of women's, men's, children spirit wear and accessories in different fonts and logos. Show your school spirit everywhere you go

Parent School Association

This year I would like to invite parents to get involved in activities and happening around the school. We are hosting a Tricky Tray meeting, our biggest fundraiser of the year on January 14th @ 9am Place TBD and I invite you to attend our next meeting of the parent School Association on February 3 @ 9am for about an hour. We will talk about upcoming events and find out how you can help get involved. A big thank you to the Teacher Appreciation Committee. That was a beautiful brunch that was served to us during conferences. What a wonderful support system we have here. Also, huge thanks to Mrs. Fitzsimmons, for donating all of the supplies to make cupcakes for Baby Jesus' birthday and to Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. Bittecola and Mrs Busardo for baking and decorating.

