

# The Great Beginnings Gazette

Newsletter of the Great Beginnings Sunbeams

## Director's Corner:

It's March!!! Come on Spring!!

We have had such a wonderful month! Our Paws for Books Scholastic Book Fair was such fun with the addition of our GBP pet pictures! Thank you for supporting our school and helping to raise almost \$700 in scholastic dollars to use at GBP not to mention the amount of books donated to our teachers and library.

Pastries with Parents is great way for our Sunbeams to enjoy their big people at school. We look forward to seeing you all at this event each year.

We are very excited to celebrate March birthdays and share some Easter songs during Easter Special Chapel on March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Our current Owls and Bees have registered for Summer Camp during Early Registration. Open Registration begins for our current Bears and (potty-trained) Monkeys on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm via sign-up genius link on our website. Open Registration is first come, first served and the sign up will serve as our registration list and wait list.

Summer Camp is a VBS-style morning where the children visit stations (art, math, early literacy and science) based on our book of the day. The children also have music and chapel each morning with a sneak-peak of LUMC's VBS songs.

Planning any spring cleaning over break? GBP's Used Book Sale is taking place April 16-20. Please bring book donations to the preschool office from April 3-April 13.

Thank you for sharing your Sunbeams with us!

-Heather Gonzalez



## Upcoming Events

### March 19

6:15pm

GBP Summer Camp Open Registration (GBP website)

### March 21

9:15am Easter Special

Chapel in the Sanctuary

-MW Monkeys, MWF Bears and Bees

### March 22

9:15am Easter Special

Chapel in the Sanctuary

-T/TH Monkeys, T/TH Bears and Owls

### March 26-April 2

Easter Break-**NO SCHOOL**

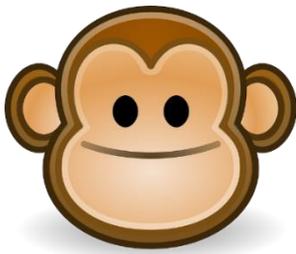
## Important Reminders:

-No School April 9: LCPS planning day

-Used Book Sale donations to GBP April 3-13.

-GBP Used Book Sale: April 16-20

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~Matthew 25:39



## MONKEY JUNGLE

Ms. Emily and Ms. Deanna

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We had a wonderful month of February in the Monkey classroom! Last month, we focused on the letters L, M, and N in our Alphabet books. We had a fun time learning Valentine songs, making a Bee-utiful valentine for you, and having a small class celebration! This month, we celebrated Dr. Seuss by reading some wonderful stories, making "Cat in the Hat" hats, and reading as a school for "Read Across America" day! We have also talked about Dinosaurs, St. Patrick's Day, and the letters O, P, and Q. If you don't mind double checking your Monkey's water bottle to make sure his/her name is still visible & send in some extra diapers if your little one is still being changed. Thank you so much for all you do! Happy March!



## BEARS' DEN

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The month of February just flew by in The Bears' Den! We all had a great time at our Valentine's Day parties playing games and exchanging cards. Thanks to all who donated food and paper products and a special thanks to our party moms who planned and kept things running smoothly that day. We couldn't do it without you!

As we roar through March, we are talking about lion days and lamb days....you just never know what you're going to get in March! We are having a great time talking about St. Patrick's Day and the luck of the Irish....maybe we'll get lucky this year and catch the leprechaun in the trap we made! We've also discussed dinosaurs, color mixing, shape & letter recognition, and are looking forward to Easter!

Our new letters are T,U, and V, numbers 1-8, the diamond shape, and the color green.

We are so happy that Spring is almost here! We're looking forward to the nice weather and hoping for lots of good playground time! Show 'n' Tell for our Bear is March 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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## Owl's Nest

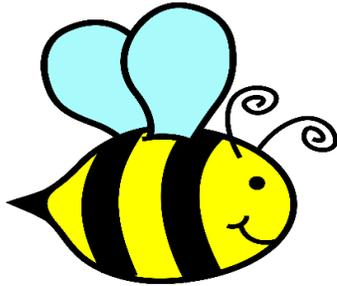
Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Helge

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February was a fabulous month. Thank you to the parents for planning a great Valentine's party. The Owls had a great time. The Owls are doing a great job zipping their coats. Thanks for helping them become more independent.

During the month of March we have been exploring Dinosaurs, St. Patrick's Day, Spring, and Easter. We have focused on the letters T, U, and V, diamonds, green, the numbers 15 and 16. March special chapel for the Owls' class will be Thursday, March 22 at 9:15am.

We feel blessed to have the opportunity to nurture your children.



## BEE HIVE

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We are MARCHing right along with our school year, and have had fun with the exciting lessons planned for this month! We have studied Dinosaurs and St. Patrick's Day and will finish out the month with Easter and Spring. Our March letters are T, U, and V. We will also continue to practice letter & number recognition, beginning letter sounds, rhyming words and other literacy skills. We look forward to sharing our wonderful Easter songs with you all at our Special Chapel on Wednesday March 21st. We have been practicing extra hard!

Important Dates:

Easter Special Chapel program, March 21st

Spring Break will be March 26th-April 2nd. Class resumes Tuesday April 3rd.

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## Fabulous Friday Frogs

Enrichment Class

Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Miller

We huffed and puffed into March with The Three Little Pigs!! What a fun day exploring this classic tale. We are looking forward to lessons on St. Patrick's Day and Jack and the Beanstalk.

We are excited to explore these areas with your children. They are a great group of curious learners. We enjoy spending time with them on Fridays.



## Chapel and Music

Ms. Heather



February Music and Chapel was full of love and caring fun. March has been a roaring good time with dinosaur marching and learning our Easter songs. We used John Williams' pieces to review our music terms and play "guess the theme song". Our Sunbeams are a delight to have in music and chapel class. Our discussions on Bible stories inspire me throughout the week. They are such quick learners with our songs and motions.

In Chapel, we have been preparing for Easter. This is a weighty topic for such young minds. They have blown me away with their ability to grasp the concept of Jesus sacrifice and our privilege of shining bright with the love of His message. The children are looking forward to teaching their big people a song using pitch during Special Chapel on March 21/22.

A card will be coming home next week detailing LUMC's worship schedule for Easter weekend. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday: our interactive worship experience detailing Jesus' walk to Calvary will be available in AG. Easter morning: SonRise service at Ida Lee Park at 6:30am. Worship at LUMC at 8:30am, 9:45am and 11am.

Have a blessed Easter!

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