

Teacher Tales

2 1/2 Year Olds
Katie Denisar and
Julie Zimmerman

April was another exciting month! We practiced name identification and continue to explore all the shapes and colors! We have enjoyed learning the Bible verse this month from 1 John 4:10, "God loved us and sent His son."

Hat and Tie making day was so fun and it was so special seeing the children in the Easter parade; and singing their hearts out to 'Jesus is Alive' was special. The children did a great job doing the **Bunny Hop** too!

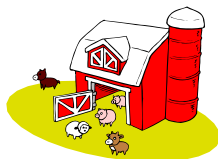


Leading up to Easter, we opened 'Resurrection Eggs' and learned the Easter story. The

children created Jesus' empty tomb with plates to remember that Jesus is risen!

Moo, Baa, Neigh! Learning about all the different animals that live on a farm was terrific.

We continued the fun with paint and let the children use marbles to help the pigs get muddy. We also used their footprints to make a horse! The highlight that week was seeing real farm animals and getting to



ride a pony! They will cherish these memories for sure.

We wrapped up the month learning the life cycle of the butterfly by reading "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and making caterpillar and butterfly paintings just like the author/illustrator, Eric Carle. They have surely enjoyed watching our own little caterpillars turn into butterflies!



As we enter May, we look forward to warmer weather, flowers, celebrating Mother's Day, camp week and super heroes! Please remember to check your kiddos school bags regularly and make sure their change of clothes 'just in case' are weather and size appropriate. We are blessed to work with your children!



3 Year Olds
Renaë Crawford and
Stephanie Jenkins

We had so much fun during April! We started off talking about April showers and rainbows. We even got to see quite a bit of those showers too. The kids learned about Noah and how God made a promise never to



flood the earth again symbolized by a rainbow.



Next, we learned the Easter story and how Jesus died for our sins and rose on the third day. The kids enjoyed our Easter party and Easter egg hunt. Thank you, parents, for coming to our parade. The kids worked really hard on their songs and the **Bunny Hop**.

We finished the month with our visit from a petting zoo! The students loved seeing several farm animals, petting them, and even taking a short ride on the pony. What fun!

Talking about zoo animals next month will be fun. We will make a giraffe, lion, and other zoo animals.

As we end our year in May, we have several exciting activities planned. We will talk about ladybugs, butterflies, and flowers. We will also be celebrating our Moms!

Finally, we plan to finish the month with Camp Day where we will get to be in a

tent, wear our pajamas, and talk about things we do while camping. This will be so much fun!

Happy Birthday to Oaklyn! It was fun celebrating with you!



4 Year Olds Katie Denisar and Kris Morris

April was another exciting month! We have talked about the letters J, E, F, B, and C and continue to explore all the shapes and colors! We have enjoyed learning the Bible verse this month from 1 John 4:10, "God loved us and sent His son."



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seeing the children in their Easter attire and singing their hearts out to

'Jesus is Alive'. They did a great job doing the **Bunny Hop** too! Leading up to Easter, we opened 'Resurrection Eggs' and learned the Easter story. They created beautiful 'stained glass' crosses to remember why the cross is special... because Jesus died so we could live!

We had so much fun learning about all the different animals that live on a farm.



They created amazing looking pig drawings and used their footprint to make a horse! The highlight that week was seeing real farm animals and getting to ride a pony! They will cherish these memories for sure.

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enjoyed watching our own little caterpillars turn in to butterflies!

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4 Year Olds Brenda Allen and Meagan Luallin

What a fun April we had!



After Spring break we spent the week telling the Easter story, talking about the true meaning of Easter, and learning about our risen Savior. Jesus is alive! Our bonnets and ties were a great success, and our owl friends had a great time at the Easter parade. We had lots of fun learning songs and eating our empty donut tomb craft/snack!

Our second week in April was all about farm animals. The kids loved imaginary play with our farm (aka the bear cave) and farm stuffed animals!



We learned the difference between wild and domesticated animals, danced and sang lots of

farm songs, and created some pretty epic farm scenes. I must say, the pony rides and petting zoo stole the show that week. The kids were so happy to see, and pet the giant bunny, goats, a calf, a lamb, sheep, a donkey, a turkey, ducks, chickens, a pig and a pony. It was possibly the highlight of the year! This week we were also very busy completing our kindergarten readiness assessments. Thank you for your time and flexibility during the parent-teacher conferences. I am so very proud of all our owl friends' progress this year!



4 Year Olds Glenda Rodriguez and Sarah Medina


April showers... our last week was so much fun learning about the water cycle - evaporation,



condensation and precipitation. We enjoyed lots of books, songs and crafts learning about rain that will bring May flowers.

Speaking of May flowers, we look forward to celebrating our amazing Moms for Mother's Day. We will also be busy working on our graduation ceremony. Crazy! I cannot believe this will be our last month- May is going to be very exciting!



The Bible verse for April was "Everything created by God is good." 1 Timothy 4:4. During this month we spoke about the many different areas of God's

wonderful creation and how everything in creation has a  purpose including every person. We had a lot of fun learning by having the student's share examples of God's creations and what they aspire to be when they get older!

Easter was a very special time at school. We shared our love for Jesus and were reminded that He died on the cross for our sins and rose again. I am so proud of our students for participating in the Easter parade as well!

Our bonnet and tie making days were a great success! They looked adorable in their bonnets and ties, which they really enjoyed designing. .



Our caterpillars arrived this month, we started studying their transformation to  butterflies as part of our science curriculum. We also studied other insects such as ladybugs and bees. 

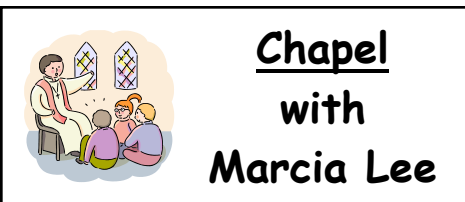


The highlight of the month for the students was a very exciting visit from a petting zoo! The pictures I sent (via Remind) sum up the excitement of your children and how much of a success and joy it was.

We are truly pleased with all the great progress demonstrated by your children throughout this school year. It was great meeting with parents to discuss each student's achievements and progress.

Now, it is time to close the year out in May pulling together all that the children have learned socially, academically, and

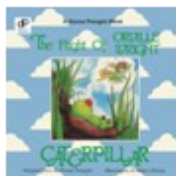
emotionally to finish the school year successfully. The exciting time of preparation for graduation will occur in May. We have one month to work hard and play hard together!



April began just before Spring Break. After the break, we celebrated the real meaning of Easter. How exciting it was to realize that after Jesus was hurt and placed on a cross to die for our sins, He rose to new life on the third day! It was explained to the children with the use of a set of manipulated characters that an angel told those who visited Jesus' empty tomb, "**He is ALIVE!**" How wonderful to know we serve a risen Savior!

A wonderful song we learned in music just for this occasion is called **Jesus Is Alive!** The boys and girls really sang loudly when we practiced it in preparation for Easter.

Because we received caterpillars after Spring Break, we celebrated God's miraculous transformations of the caterpillar to a butterfly. We read, **The Flight of Orville Wright** by Donna Perugigi, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.



Although most of Music time was spent with the teachers in their classrooms, April was a fun month. We exercised to some songs like "**The Wiggle Song,**" "**I am So H-A-P-P-Y,**" and "**Tootie Ta.**" The children really enjoyed the workout!

All the boys and girls had fun preparing for Mother's Day. We hope you have a great time on your special day!!!

The 4 year olds are working hard preparing for the Graduation Program which they will present at the end of May.

Also in May we will focus on songs about the sunshine, warmer weather, and the interesting animals and creatures we see during May.

