



PRE-K PALS: EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

During this 8-week course, young students find inspiration in nature as they create artwork and crafts, develop fine motor skills and have fun while learning through play.

WHERE: Christ Episcopal Church 6800 Oakland Mills Road Columbia, Maryland 21045

DAY/TIME: Fridays at 11:30am

DURATION: Dec. 7 thru Jan. 25

AGE: 4-7 years old

TEACHER: Mrs. Rayna Remondini

DAILY ROUTINE

11:30am - CIRCLE TIME

Students gather in a circle for the morning routine. We greet each other and identify the date, day and weather for the day. Attendance is taken.

11:45am – READING RAINBOW

A book selection is read aloud to the children.

12:00pm – LIGHT SNACK

ATTN PARENTS: *Please make allergies known.*

12:00pm – CLASS ACTIVITY

Students engage in a weekly assigned activity.

12:30pm – PICK-UP

Parents arrive and sign-out children.

NOTE TO PARENTS:

Parents will be asked to sign-up to assist in the classroom on a rotating schedule.

Please arrive 5-10 minutes early (or on time) because class will begin promptly at 11:30am.

Friday, December 7 2018

What's In A Name? - Students introduce themselves and make student ID, name tags. Your child will meet and familiarize themselves with fellow students by playing games such as, "Hello, my name is..."

Book Selection: The Book with No Pictures by BJ Novak

Class Assignment: Make a name tag using crayons, markers and watercolor

Teacher Assistant: Melissa Weekly

Parent Assistant: _____

Friday, December 14 2018

Dinosaur Dig - Students exercise their fine motor skills by digging through sand and soil to uncover dinosaur fossils and buried treasure. This activity encourages SORTING, MATCHING, MEASURING, COUNTING and general paleontologist make-believe play!

Book Selection: the five senses: **touch** by Maria Rius

Class Assignment: Uncover dinosaur fossils

DIY Download: <http://bit.ly/2zdKZTU>

Teacher Assistant: Melissa Weekly

Parent Assistant: _____



Friday, December 21 2018

GRINCHMAS – Using paint, students make seasonal cards with their hands (literally!) Children delight in making home-made greetings they can share with loved ones.

Book Selection: How the Grinch Stole Christmas!

Class Assignment: Craft holiday cards

Teacher Assistant: Melissa Weekly

Parent Assistant: _____

Friday, December 28 2018

Snow Prints – Using salt dough, students make hand or footprints for keepsakes. Parents will need to bake these prints in the oven at 250°F for 2-3 hours. Feel free to paint them once they're fully dry and hardened.

Book Selection: Snow by PD Eastman

Class Assignment: Make imprints

Teacher Assistant: Melissa Weekly

Parent Assistant: _____

Friday, January 4 2019



Olaf the Snowman – Do you want to build a snowman? Students have fun constructing Olaf the Snowman out of socks, rice and other soft materials. This activity involves sensory play and is an all-time favorite for the children.

Book Selection: Where the Sidewalk Ends “Snowman”
(pg. 65) by Shel Silverstein

Class Assignment: Craft Olaf the Snowman

Teacher Assistant: Melissa Weekly

Parent Assistant: _____

Friday, January 11 2018

Story Wheel – Students test their comprehension of the classic, children’s book *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?* The children practice sequencing and retelling of the story, as we create colorful story wheels.

Book Selection: Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? by Bill Martin Jr.

Class Assignment: Cut N’ Paste Story Wheel

Friday, January 18 2018

Bubbles – We're making bubble solution and magic bubble wands. Students enjoy learning how bubbles are made and crafting their very own wands out of sticks found in nature and colorful pipe cleaners. Children enjoy free play as we make both large and small bubbles outside.

Book Selection: Cinder the Bubble Blowing Dragon by Jessica Anderson

Class Assignment: Craft bubble wands



Friday, January 25 2018

Dinosaur Dig - Let's Celebrate! As we complete the end of the semester, we acknowledge the students' success and progress with feedback reports for parents and an official group photo. This is followed by fun, food, games and lots of imaginative play time at recess. #congrats!

Book Selection: Not A Box, by Antionnette Portis

Class Assignment: Imaginative play