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*In the beginning  
God created the heavens and the earth.  
God saw all that He made, and it was very good.  
Genesis 1:1 and 31a*

January 2019

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! The children will be very busy as we start this very productive time of the school year. We will be doing a lot of assessments as we will be working on the children's report cards.

## **SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES TOPICS**

The children will be learning about winter weather and clothing. Then we will begin the unit on the wonderful solar system God has created for us. We will discuss what we receive from the sun and of what it is made, how the Earth moves and how that affects us, how the moon moves and why its surface looks the way it does, and the other planets. We will be making "moon pies" one day for snack, and doing several demonstrations and experiments to make the lessons more concrete. Then we will focus on different habitats of the Earth and some of the creatures that live in each one.

## **MATH**

In our formal lessons we will begin with the numbers 6 through 10. As with 0 through 5, the children will write them, work on the number words, make addition equations from looking at sets and make sets from looking at addition equations. The words six through ten will be sent home, to be added to their word banks. Also, you will be receiving a set of ten frames to practice at home. We will start doing subtraction problems.

When we discuss the weather conditions each day, we have been talking about the temperature. We look at a thermometer and use the word degrees. During our winter unit, the children will be doing a lesson on temperature and reading a thermometer.

## **LANGUAGE ARTS**

### **LETTER OF THE WEEK**

We will be learning the letters Ii, Hh, Gg, Jj, Ll, Yy, Qq, and Uu. The **Gg** sound is the hard sound as in **girl**. The letter **i** is the short sound as in **igloo**, **pin**, and **mitt**. The letter **u** is the short sound in **umbrella**, **bun**, and **tub**.

### **WORD OF THE WEEK**

The words for the month are: in, it, is, he, she, go, no, so, yes, and up.

### **MEMORIZATION**

We are memorizing a song about the months of the year. We will learn the poem, "Look At The Snow!" and the song, "God Made Winter."

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The children will be learning about the life of Jesus. We will read stories about his parables and miracles. Our memory verses are Genesis 1:1 and 31a.

## **SPECIAL DAYS**

### **NO SCHOOL**

Monday, the 21<sup>th</sup>, is Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. There will be no school for the children on this day.

### **VALENTINE'S DAY**

On Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, we are celebrating Valentine's Day. As part of the celebration the children will be "sending" cards to their friends. If you see the cards in the stores after Christmas, **please do not buy cards that have candy attached to them.** Due to the increase in food allergies of our students and their families, we have asked that no food items be sent home with the children. More information will be in the February newsletter.

### **SCHOOL CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER**

If Carroll County Schools are closed, we are closed. If Carroll County Schools open one hour late, we open one hour late with dismissal remaining the same. If Carroll County Schools open two hours late, we open two hours late. The session will be 10:40 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

### **KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020**

We have begun registration for 2019 - 2020 year. If you have friends, neighbors or relatives who have a child eligible for any of these programs, please feel free to invite them to contact Melissa Rhoads at (410) 374-9286. If you are interested in registering a child for kindergarten, pre-K, or preschool for this next school year, please contact the school as soon as possible. You are also welcome to set up a time to come in and observe our classes, if you wish to do so.

### **TUITION DUE DATE**

The January tuition payment is due on or before the first day of the month. Send your payment to Grace Bible Kindergarten, 3250 Charmil Drive, Manchester, MD 21102. If you choose to hand carry your tuition, it may be placed in the lock box located in the front entrance of the church. **Please include your child's name in the memo field of your check for proper allocation.**

Love,  
Susan and Melissa