

WELCOME SPRING!!

Is it safe to say that now??

Just a reminder that Little Blessings will have a Spring Break so there is no school the week of April 11th. We look forward to seeing all our little ones' smiling faces when we return to school on April 18th. We wish all of our families a blessed and joyful Easter!



ENROLLMENT CONTINUES...

We are continuing our enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year. Have any friends with 3 year olds? We'd love to hear from them!! Word of mouth is a wonderful way to grow our program! Please follow us on Facebook. Call 860.828.9520 or email LittleBlessingPreschool@gmail.com.

Website: www.bethanycovenant.org/preschool

YEAR BOOKS



We are putting together yearbooks for all classes. Look for a pre-order form in cubbies in April! Estimated cost \$13 each.

MARK YOUR



CALENDARS...

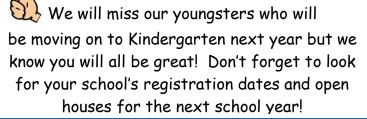
Hungerford Nature Ctr here March 29 & 30 Spring Break (No School) April 11-15 Saturday Art Studio Fundraiser- April 23rd from 10-11am, in room #120 across from preschool office. Sign-up required by April 8th. Pre-K 4's Mother's Day Tea May 6th at 9:30 Pre-K 4/5's Mother's Day Tea May 5th at 11:00 Muffins for Mom-Pre K 3 and Early 3's classes Please see invitations for details.

Pre-K 3's (T/TH) Last Day, Tues., May 24th Pre-K 3's (M/W) Last Day, Wed, May 25th Pre-K 4's & 5's Last Day, Wed, May 25th and Graduation May 25th at 6pm (drop off @5:30)

CLOTHING FOR SCHOOL

Active play is a huge part of the preschool curriculum. Please keep this in mind when helping your child select his or her clothing for school. Also please take the time to bring in a full change of clothing (label each item) because accidents happen!

DON'T FORGET!!!



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The Power of Play

"What did you do at School Today?" At preschool, much of our learning is through play and in developing opportunities for shared experiences. While children's play may look simple, it is in fact layered with complexity. There are many kinds of play, and some of this play is complex and touches on every area of development. Children's literacy, cognitive and creative development and problem-solving skills are strengthened by being able to use their developing skills and understandings in play.

Complex play has several characteristics. This type of play involves the use of objects, ideas, people, and situations. This play also involves the children in situations in which they confront the ideas, beliefs and understandings of others. This then leads to the opportunity to negotiate new understandings or a new perspective; this may be on an individual level, or it might be new learning or understanding, which is brought to the whole group. Negotiating roles and rules and learning others' ideas about the world is how we learn to regulate our social understandings. Play also allows opportunity to gain mastery over equipment and tools such as sticky tape and scissors, providing yet another avenue for complex social play and role-playing. Therefore, the ways in which we at preschool facilitate children's play is diverse and complex. Part of this complexity comes also from planning for each of the children individually. So please don't worry if your child doesn't have anything in their cubbies or if they say all they did at preschool was play. I hope that you will know we are working very hard at preschool, playing.

Adapted from the National Association for the Education of Young Children

Please click on the link for a great article on how to talk to kids about scary times. We have heard kids talking about the War in Ukraine or acting out through play what they may have seen on TV or heard from adults who have been talking about current events.

How Do We Talk to Kids About Scary Times? (housmaninstitute.com)



You and your child are important to us.

Should you wish to share something good a teacher has done or if you ever have a concern, please call **Sue** Plourde, Director at 860-828-9520

Check out our new website www.bethanycovenant.org/preschool



Thank you for your class donations:

Recycled art materials, boxes of tissues - The LeMay and Oberle Families

Thank you

to all our families who supported our pastry and cookie dough fundraiser. It was a huge success!

Health Forms

Important reminder: the State of CT requires our preschool to have an upto-date "Early Childhood Health Record" for each student on file. The exam date on file must be within 13 months of the last exam.