

# Ladybug's News

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February 25, 2020

Dear Parents,

We are now at the end of February and ready to welcome March. The children had fun wearing their pajamas today. They were very excited to watch my 33 year old popcorn maker go crazy popping popcorn!

This month we had great discussions about what kind of animals live in our beautiful forest and what they eat. The children seemed to be aware of the different animals that live in our mountains. They really enjoyed creating habitats for the forest animals in our Science Center. They also made their own owls and learned that owls can almost turn their heads all the way around to look for their prey.

I will begin working with the children on writing the first letter of their names, and for those children that know how to write more letters of their name, we will work on that as well. For those who are ready, we will be doing projects to help them get more familiar with their names. Remember, do not worry if your child is not writing just yet. A good practice for them is to draw lines, circles and crosses. Children develop skills at different rates and your child may not be ready to write just yet but that's ok. Studies have shown that children who are forced to write before they are developmentally ready may pick up bad writing habits and can feel very discouraged about writing. Please come to me if you have any concerns or questions. Our goal here at Cross of Hope Preschool is for your child is to have a joyful and positive time to grow and get ready for school.

In April we will start to celebrate "un-birthdays" for the children whose birthdays fall during the summer. If your child's birthday is in the summer he/she will be assigned an "Un-Birthday" Special Person day sometime before the end of the school year. Please remember, our snack and birthday policies still apply.

## **Reminders:**

- Ranger David is coming to teach us about the forest and the desert this Thursday.

- Parent/Teacher Conferences on March 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. School is not in session on these days. If you have not set up a time yet please do so.
- Spring Break is March 30<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Spring Pictures Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

*God's Wonderful Blessings to You All,*

*Miss Ann and Miss Rhonda*

*Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."*

*Concept: Relationships*

*Key Learning Concepts:*

1. *Relationships are the ways that things are connected and how they interact.*
2. *God loves us and wants us to love each other.*
3. *Animals have a relationship with their habitats.*

*Bible Concepts: God wants me to love and care for others.*

*Bible Stories: Ruth and Naomi, A sick boy is made well, Friends help a man.*

*Bible Verse: "Let us love one another." I John 4:7*

*Fruit of the Spirit: Love*

