

# Trinity Lutheran Preschool Drops of Ink

February 2023



## From the Director

As I'm sitting here thinking about the upcoming month and the themes of love and Valentine's Day, I can't help but notice that we have had just the "sweetest" school year ever! Of course we always have the sweetest children here at Trinity! Our teachers are also the BEST! Each and every one of them absolutely LOVES working with the children.

What really rounds out our school and makes it the special place that it is, is all of you! Parents, thank you for donating your time, snacks and supplies. This truly helps out our school. For all of this and more, we are very grateful to you. Your support helps us be the best we can be!

Thank you!

## Dates to Remember:

- ☉ Mon. Jan. 30: Preschool Registration for 2023-24 opens.
- ☉ Wed. Feb. 1: Tuition due
- ☉ Thu. -Mon. Feb. 16, 17, & 20: No School-Gwinnett Co. School Holiday
- ☉ Tue. -Fri. Feb. 21-24: Visits from Community Helpers

## COMMUNITY HELPERS

The week of Feb. 21, your students will get in-house visits from a Dentist, a Fire Truck, a Garbage Truck and a Policeman.

We would like the children to learn that we have helpers all around us that help our make our community a better place!

## Open Registration 2023-24



Registration time has begun for our Trinity Preschool students for the school year 2023-24! All of our classes are full this year, so I encourage you to get your registration forms and fees in as soon as possible to secure placement for next year! If you did not receive a form or you would like an extra one for a friend, please let me or a teacher know and we'll send another one home, or you may stop by my office and pick one up anytime.

At this time of year I am often asked why Trinity does not offer the Georgia Lottery-funded Pre-K program for 4-year-olds. There are a few different reasons, having to do with fire codes and space regulations and such, but the main reason is really that we would be required to follow the state-mandated curriculum. And it's not that it's a bad curriculum - it's great. It's just that we would be required to teach *only* that curriculum and not anything else. It would prohibit us from being able to introduce anything religious at all. We would not be able to tell the children about how Jesus loves them or about how it was God that made the earth. Needless to say, we here at Trinity believe those things are just as important to learn as the ABC's. So, that is why we have our own 4-year-old program and not the Georgia Pre-K program. Our goal is to teach the children all the skills they will need to be successful when they leave our doors and enter into public schools!

Finally, if you haven't looked at the registration form yet, you will see that we are offering a **new class**. We are excited to offer a **Kindergarten Transition Class** for students who are just not quite ready or need just a little more time to get ready for Kindergarten. If you know of anyone who is looking for a class like this, please feel free to pass the word along.