

February 2024

# Delphos City Preschool Post

## DEAR FAMILIES

This newsletter will discuss important February dates. We will be celebrating Valentine's Day in each class on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> with a dress up day and students bringing in homemade Valentine boxes if you are able. Each child may bring a card for each classmate. Please do not send in any food items. The students are not required to participate; however, we wanted to offer some fun ways to celebrate.

### *Dress Up Days*

*Wed., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's - Wear pink/red/white*

*Thurs., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's - Wear pink/red/white*

### *Important Days*

*Mon., February 19<sup>th</sup> - No School - President's Day*

## Latchkey

*Reminder to sign in and/or sign out your child.  
Morning latchkey doors open at 7:30 am.  
Afternoon latchkey ends at 3:30 pm. Please be prompt in picking up your child from afternoon latchkey. The preschool staff leaves at 3:30 pm for the day. Thanks for your help!*

## Morning Doors

Reminder doors open in the morning at 8:30 am. If a preschooler arrives before 8:30 am a latchkey fee of \$3.75 for the morning will be charged.

## ACADEMICS

The teachers have been sharing activities in each child's folder weekly. ***These activities are not mandatory***, but are being given so you can see what the students are learning each week in class. If your child would like to complete the worksheets or part of the worksheets, please return them in your child's folder the following week. Again, these activities are not mandatory!

## Kindergarten Screening

Please make sure you have reached out to Franklin Elementary to register your child for Beginndergarten/ Kindergarten Screenings for the 2024-2025 school year. Children who are 5 years old before August 1, 2024 are eligible to attend Beginndergarten or Kindergarten in the 2024-2025 school year.

## Attached Information

Attached to the newsletter are information sheets on "Your Child's Development: Birth to Age 5" from the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce.

## Upcoming Dates

Fri., Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> - Mon/Wed day

Wed., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's - wear pink/red/white

Thurs., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's - wear pink/red/white

Fri., Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> - Tues/Thurs day

Mon., Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> - No school - President's Day

Fri., Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Mon/Wed day

Fri., Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> - Tues/Thurs day

Thurs., Mar. 7<sup>th</sup> - 2 hour delay - district teacher in-service

Fri., Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> - Mon/Wed day

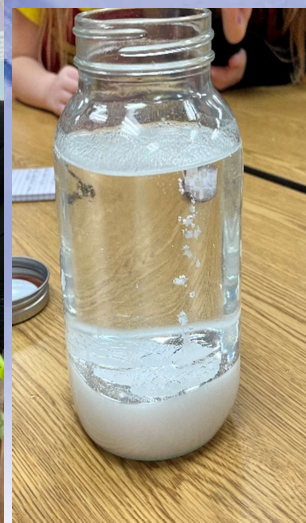
Fri., Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> - Tues/Thurs day

Fri., Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Mon/Wed day



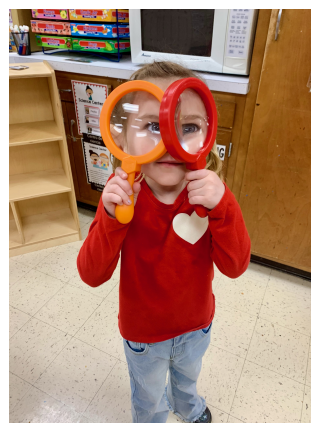
## Making Snow in a Jar

The preschoolers enjoyed Making Snow in a Jar science experiment.

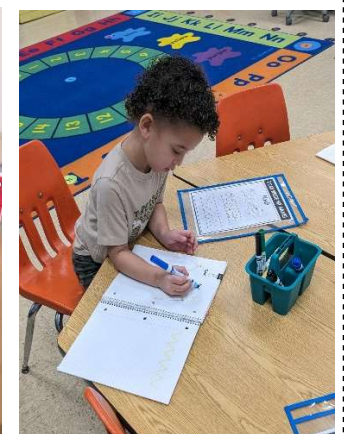
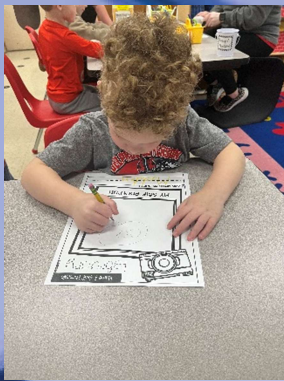
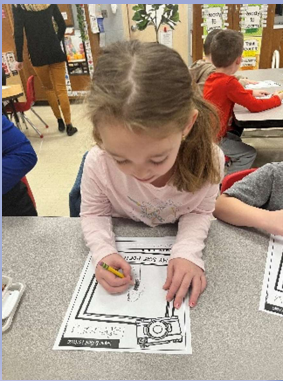




## A Day in the Life of a Preschooler









# Your Child's Development: Birth to Age 5

Your child's development in the first five years of life will amaze you. As infants, children babble, roll over and hold your finger. Toddlers run, help with jobs at home and can speak in sentences. By the time they are age 5, children dress themselves, tell jokes, play games with friends and write their names.

Each child will develop at his or her own pace, following predictable stages. Some new skills will develop earlier than expected, while others appear later. Each new step is a building block leading to the growth of physical capabilities and the ability to think, speak and interact with others. Listed below are a few examples of the skills commonly seen in children this age.

If you are concerned about your child's development, contact your child's doctor, teacher or nurse. You also may contact your local health department or school district.

## What Children Can Do: Birth to Age 1

- ✓ Grasp objects with the whole hand
- ✓ Roll over, crawl and walk
- ✓ Point at people and things
- ✓ Babble, coo and begin using first words



## What Children Can Do: 12 to 18 Months

- ✓ Play peek-a-boo
- ✓ Sit on your lap listening to stories
- ✓ Push and pull toys
- ✓ Follow simple directions

## What Children Can Do: 18 to 24 Months

- ✓ Say some two-word phrase, such as *More Milk*
- ✓ Play hide and seek
- ✓ Drink from a cup
- ✓ Put items in a containers and dump them out





# Your Child's Development: Birth to Age 5

## What Children Can Do: Age 2

- ✓ Climb stairs without help
- ✓ Stack objects on top of each other
- ✓ Say, *No* and *What's That?*
- ✓ Name people and things in picture books



## What Children Can Do: Age 3

- ✓ Jump in place
- ✓ Turn pages of a book
- ✓ Say nursery rhymes and sing songs
- ✓ Play make-believe



## What Children Can Do: Age 4

- ✓ Hop on one foot
- ✓ Draw simple shapes
- ✓ Make silly words and sounds
- ✓ Cooperate with friends and play group games



## What Children Can Do: Age 5

- ✓ Cut on a line with scissors
- ✓ Catch a ball
- ✓ Sort objects by color, type and shape
- ✓ Make up jokes and riddles

