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Dear Parents, Families and Friends,

We are so excited that we are finally in the month of May and summer will be just around the corner! Our winter this year was mild for the most part. However, we had one extreme snowfall, which amazed the children with how high the snowbanks became. We are super excited for the summer sun shine and the opportunity to wear shorts!

The week of May 4th, is Teacher Appreciation Week. A flyer was sent out, with all the activities for the fun filled week of showing how much we appreciate our teachers and all the work they do.

Summer is just around the corner and our School Ager Summer Camp Program is ready to go. We have 10 weeks of fun activities planned for your school age child! Summer Camp registration packets are available at NCECC- St. Therese office or on the Newman Catholic Schools website. If you already have your registration packet, please turn it in as soon as possible to ensure your child's spot for this program.

God's blessings during this wonderful spring season!

Sincerely,
Amy Faust, NCECC: St. Therese Site Director

A Prayer for Memorial Day

Heavenly Father,

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of Freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with

Your strength and peace.

In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

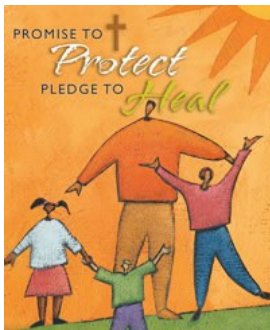
Bits 'N Pieces from NCECC—St. Therese

THANK YOU:

- Thank you to all who donated Easter items, to make our egg hunt a success.
- Thank you to all the families who continue to bring in plastic bags for use in the center.
- Thank you to the families who have donated extra clothes to the center.

Parent Reminders:

- Please dress your child in layers, the mornings are still chilly.
- Please have your child wear closed toe shoes— this is for safety reasons and for taking walks. Tennis shoes are best! We prefer no flip flops or crocs, as they are not safe and children tend to trip and walk out of them. Causing injuries.
- Please swap out your child's extra clothes for spring clothes— check the sizes to make sure they are correct. They will need shorts, shirt, underwear, socks and if you have a spare pair of old shoes, that would be helpful.
- Please do not bring your child into school in the mornings with food. If eating before coming to the center, please finish before entering in the building. In addition, breakfast is served daily from 8:00-8:30 am. If you would like your child to eat breakfast they need to be here before 8:30 am.



DIocese OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE

The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employee, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to the Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan, Bishop of La Crosse, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry, 608-519-8002 or kbecker@cclse.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of the Vicar for Clergy or on the diocesan website at: www.dioc.org. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the

Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608-791-2679; or dkunz@dioc.org.

4K News

Crazy that we are already in our last month of 4K! Not sure where the year has gone!! This month we are going to be exploring various animal habitats, like farms, ponds, and rainforests. We will be talking about insects and watching for caterpillars to turn into butterflies. We are ending the month by talking about Summer safety. We will take some time to review all of our solution cards and how to tell how someone might be feeling. Please be sure to read the newsletters for special days we will be having this month for our ABC countdown to summer. Special dates to keep in mind: May 6th 4:30-6:30 is Family Night at the School Forest & May 25th, there is no school. As a reminder, the 4K Bridging Over Ceremony is schedule for June 4th. More information will be coming soon.

Thank you all for a great school year!

Ms. Sarah

Classroom News

Little Einstein's

In the month of May, we will be learning all about flowers, trees, bugs, butterflies, rainforests, and fish. Please watch for all the wonderful, cute activities to follow the themes.

Please make sure that you have a spring jacket, hat and mittens since we do go outside on chilly mornings. Also, please make sure your child has spare clothes at all times for accidents. Check in with us to make sure spare clothing is up to date with your child's size.

Ms. Brittney and Ms. Toria

Explorer Room

May is here!

As it starts to warm up we will be talking about Gardening Galore, Rainforests, Insect Investigators, and Slippery Fish. Please bring a hat and thin mittens in case it is cold in the morning. As a class we will be working on colors and shapes. We will be working on our table manners for meal times too.

Have a great May!

Ms. Deb and Ms. Jennifer

Jungle Room

Summer will be on its way. The Jungle room kids should plan ahead for the warm months. Please switch out winter clothing for summer clothing. Please also include a swimsuit and towel for water play.

Scholastic Book Club – thank you for all your book orders and support during the past school year. With each book order it helps us earn books for our classroom library. Our last book order for the school year will be in May. Scholastic does not send out book orders during the summer months, so plan ahead and order a few books for summer. Please look for book orders again in September.

Ms. Therese and Ms. Lori

Discovery Room

Happy Mother's Day!

During the month of May we will celebrate Mother's day and Memorial day.

Our themes for the month will be Gardening Galore, Insect Investigators, Rainforest Adventures, and Slippery Fish. We will be doing a review of numbers, letters, colors, shapes, and phone numbers and addresses.

Ms. Amy and Ms. Sam

The Nutritional Corner!

Finding fun in Physical Activity

- The Hokey Pokey
- Follow the Leader
- Simon says
- Dancing

Did you know?

- 2 Oreo cookies has 106 calories
- 2 Slices of white bread is 130 Calories
- 1 Tbsp. ranch is 90 calories

- Walking for one mile burns 96 calories
- Jogging for a mile burns 120 Calories
- Biking for 4 miles burns 102 calories

Strawberry Milkshakes (without ice-cream)-

Ingredients:

- 2c. Milk
- 1 tbl. Honey
- 1 tsp. Vanilla
- 1 c. Frozen Strawberries

Directions:

Pour milk, honey, vanilla, and strawberries into a blender. Pulse until smooth. Pour into glasses and enjoy.



Children's Letters to God

- When you made the first man did he work as good as we do now?
- Dear God, my grandpa says you were around when he was a little boy. How far back do you go?
 - Dear God, I know all about where babies come from, I think from inside mommies and daddies put them there. Where are they before that? Do you have them in Heaven? How do they get down here? Do you have to take care of them all first? Please answer all my questions. I think of you all the time.
- Dear God, thank you for the baby brother but what I prayed for was a puppy.

5 Ways to Show you care..

- Give them immediate feedback.
- Include them in on conversations.
 - Respect them.
 - Join in their adventures.
 - Visit their schools



HAVING FUN WITH FRIENDS!

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TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK						
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17 Noelle bday	18	19	20	21	22 Raeylnn bday Izayah bday	23
24 Delilah bday	25 Center Closed for Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30
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