



# Angelic News May 2016



## Dates to Remember

Thursday & Friday

May 5 & 6

### **Mother's Day Tea**

Mom's, you won't want to miss this very special time with your little one. Please speak to your child's teacher concerning details and be watching for your special invitation.

Monday – Friday

May 16 - 20

**Teacher Appreciation Week**

Monday

May 30

**NO SCHOOL**  
Memorial Day

Thursday

June 2

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Thursday

June 2

**No After Care Today**

Friday

June 3

**Pre-K Graduation**  
10:00 a.m.

Parents, be watching for details and important information regarding this very special event!

## **MAY MATTERS!**

**M** is for **M**ay, **M**others, **M**arvelous Teachers and **M**emorial Day! It will be an exciting month at Littlest Angels. Please mark your calendars so that you don't miss any of these special events this month!

## **“I’M A CAN-DO KID! YES I AM!”**

**DETERMINATION!** That’s our virtue for the month of May. To a preschooler that means “I can do what needs to be done even when it is tough!” We started the school year determined to make a special effort to help the children, just like the Little Engine That Could, have a “can-do” spirit, climb their mountains and stay on the right track. They have learned that it is good to be caring, friendly, attentive, peaceful, gentle, honest, patient and forgiving.

When a child has healthy self-esteem they feel competent, capable and secure. They know that they are a special part of the world around them and they are sensitive and empathetic towards others. And the big plus is that they know that Jesus, their Best Friend, is always with them giving them courage and strength!

Now, it just so happens that Mother’s Day is also something we talk about at preschool this month. We invite all of the mommies for a special tea and we let them know how special they are to their children. I’ve been a mom for 40 years now. Believe me, I know that being a mother and having **determination** go hand in hand!

A few years ago when my kids were toddlers (Well—it seems like just a few years ago!) they gave me a Mother’s Day card. I still treasure it and it sits in my china cabinet so that I can catch a glimpse and a memory of it every now and then. The card has a mommy bunny and her little ones on the front all looking a bit frazzled. It says, “Happy Mother’s Day Mommy!” Then, on the inside, mommy bunny is there with a suitcase in her hand and the words are, “Thank you for never running away!” The card was signed by each one of our four children in their very special signatures (except for the 6 month old babe I held in my arms). The words really captured how I felt during those very chaotic... “I can’t get anything done days!” There were times I really did think about running away. That little greeting card spoke to me that day.

Sometimes, it does just take utter perseverance to get through our more topsy-turvy days. You know, the days when you are nursing the baby, putting a Band-Aid on a skinned knee, telling two kids to stop fighting, cooking dinner and sewing a button on... all the same time! I had a mantra that I repeated over and over again back then....it was Philippians 4:13—“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” Knowing the strength I needed would come from a loving God who already knew about all my struggles calmed me down and gave me renewed strength of mind, body and heart! My smile returned along with my composure! My **determination** was a gift from God back then as it is now.

No matter how old we are—2 or 92—we all face roadblocks and tough hills to climb that require perseverance. I am so thankful we have a God who never ever entertains the thought of running away from us when the going gets tough. Instead He tells us —“I will give you all the strength you need—trust me, have faith, relax and know that you can be a Can-Do Kid (or mom)!” God is working with us, in us, and through us so that we are all, young and old alike, able to be His **“Can-Do Kids”!**

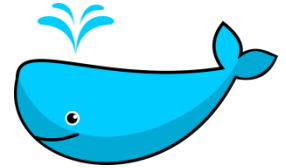
Kathy Stinson, Director



## LITTLE BUNNIES NEWS

**Down at the seashore,  
Isn't it grand?  
Wiggling my toes,  
In the soft warm sand!!**

Let's go explore the ocean floor! This month we'll be going on an under the sea adventure. What fun we'll have discovering all the creatures that live in the deep blue sea. Our color of the month is **orange** to go along with the gold fish in our favorite Brown Bear, Brown Bear book. We will also review all the shapes we have learned, along with some new under the sea songs like; Down by the Bay, Slippery Fish, Baby Beluga and more! Some of our special stories will be Rainbow Fish, Over in An Ocean in a Coral Reef, Fish Eyes, The Deep Blue Sea, A House for Hermit Crab and Mr. Sea Horse.



The end of the year is very near. It has been such a pleasure to work with your amazing children this school year. Thank you for sharing them with us. They have brought such joy to our classroom each day.

All the best,  
Teacher Mindy, Teacher Lupe, and Teacher Ruth

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## BUSY BEE NEWS



Oh my, I can't believe this is our last month of the school year. What's the buzz about? The beautiful month of May will be all about SPRING! Birds, bugs, and flowers will be all over our classroom!

**Happy Mother's Day to you.  
Happy Mother' Day to you.  
Happy Mother's Day, dear Mommy,  
Happy Mother's Day to you!**

Of course, we will be celebrating our special moms with a lovely **Mother's Day Tea** on **Thursday, May 5th** and **Friday, May 6th**. The children love having this special time with their mommies. We do hope you can all join us.

Thank you parents for a great school year! Your children are the best! It's been so much fun getting to know each of them and their unique personalities! What a delight it has been to help them grow in independence and their "**I can do it!**" attitudes!

Sincerely,  
Teacher Lisa and Teacher Lindsay



## LITTLE TURTLES NEWS

Hello! Oh my goodness, we are entering our last month of the school year. I can't believe it! We will start off the month celebrating our lovely mothers with our **Mother's Day Tea Parties/luncheons**.



We will finish the school year with learning about our beautiful ocean creatures and the beach! The Little Turtles will continue to review the ABC's and finish our numbers up to 10. Our color will be **turquoise**. We will also review all the shapes we have learned.

We will have a pizza lunch and a frozen yogurt treat to finish off our school year. You will be receiving more details concerning this lunch later.

We want to thank all of our **Little Turtle** families for a terrific year and all of your help and support! Thanks, most of all, for blessing us with your little angels every day!

God's blessings to all of our Littlest Angels families!  
Teacher Bettina and Teacher Teresita

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## LITTLE BEARS NEWS



Hugs for you,  
Kisses too!

Thank you, Mom, for all you do!  
So sit back and relax-it's your special day!  
Have a happy Mother's Day!

Happy May everyone! We will begin our month of May preparing for our very special annual **Mother's Day Tea**. Please make sure to reserve **May 5th** or **6th** to celebrate with your child...the boys and girls are so excited! Tea and a light lunch will be served.

Our theme for the remainder of the month will be bugs, bugs, beautiful, amazing bugs! We know this will be an exciting theme for the Little Bears to end the school year. We will be reading about all those creepy-crawlies at circle time and we'll have lots of "buggy" art projects!



Our virtue for the month is **DETERMINED!**

Happy Mother's Day!  
Teacher Ana and Teacher Amanda



## LITTLE LAMBS NEWS

In April we had a whale of a good time! We learned about some of the animals that live in tide pools like barnacles and clams. We learned that dolphins and whales are mammals, not fish.

Our mommies are out of this world! So in May our themes will be **Mother's Day and Outer Space!** The Little Lambs are working hard on many special surprises to give to our moms at the **Mother's Day Tea/lunch** on **Thursday, May 5** and **Friday, May 6**. Please be sure to check the date on your invitation, mark your calendar, and RSVP to **Teacher Katie**.

Later in the month we will have out of this world fun as we learn about SPACE! Our color will be purple, our shape is diamond and our virtue is **DETERMINATION!**



It has been such a joy to watch each **Little Lamb** learn and grow this year!

Happy Mother's Day!  
**Teacher Katie and Teacher Aida**

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## LITTLE TIGERS NEWS

It's May already?! It's time for Bugs, Bees, Worms and Mommies!! We are looking forward to spoiling our Mommies on **May 5** and **May 6** at our **Mother's Day Tea**.

Our poem will be:

### The Bee



What do you suppose?  
A bee sat on my nose!  
What do you think?  
He gave me a wink.  
He said, "I beg your pardon.  
I thought you were a garden."



We've begun lower case letters and reviewing all that we have learned this year. We spend some of our circle time sounding out words! **Teacher Robin** will be working on assessments this month. The children continue to love science—we hope they are coming home telling you all about it!!!

Blessings~  
**Teacher Robin and Teacher Anna**



## LITTLE LIONS NEWS

I'm glad I was your teacher; I've come to love you so.  
I can't believe the end is here. I hate to see you go.  
Remember all the fun we had in all the things we did,  
But most of all remember...YOU are one special kid!

Parents, it seems like yesterday when you were dropping your children off for the first time! This year has been an incredible year of growth and development in the **Little Lions Class**. Your children have brought such joy and happiness to our classroom! They have touched our lives in so many positive and rewarding ways.



Our theme for May will be all about having FUN...A to Z Come Play With Me! Each day will bring a new letter to review with lots of exciting activities, as well as, continuing to practice all the skills we've been working on all year! Why? Because in just a short time these growing **Lions** will be off to new adventures!

From the bottom of our hearts a big **"Thank you"** for all of your support, warmth, love and prayers this year! We are truly blessed to have gotten to know you and your family better.

God's blessings,  
Teacher Staci and Teacher Lori

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Wow! On **June 3, 2016** thirty-six very special boys and girls will be graduating from **Littlest Angels Preschool**. This is our 20th graduating class! We will miss them and we want them to "take care". These are words we often say to one another. Here are some wishes especially for them and for all graduates everywhere!

Take care of yourself graduate...  
Listen to the needs of your body and soul.  
Take care of your friends...  
They join in your joys and lighten your loads.  
Take care of your family...  
They are your start, and the home of your heart.  
Take care of your dreams...  
They are the key to a life filled with happy memories.  
Take care of your faith...  
And remember that God is always, always with you  
Author Unknown

