

Preschool News

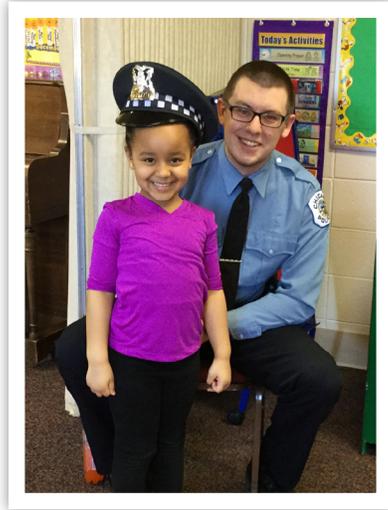
-Ruth Baas, Director

POLICE OFFICER VISITS PRESCHOOL

The preschoolers at Orland Park Christian Preschool spent the last week of March learning about helpers that work in our community. After spending a day learning that we are all in community together, the community

helpers we focused on were postal workers, police officers, and restaurant cooks. The extended day class was able to enjoy a visit from a Chicago police officer who is a member of Orland Park

Christian Reformed Church. Officer Ben came to our school on his day off and told us about his job. He also gave us some safety tips that he has learned. The children were given the opportunity to ask him questions. They were very interested in his badge and his hat.



FIELD TRIP TO BEGGAR'S PIZZA

To get a close up look at what a restaurant cook does, the preschool children took a field trip to Beggar's Pizza in Orland Park. The cook showed us how to roll and stretch the dough, and everyone got the opportunity to use the pizza poker to make holes in the dough. After watching the cook add sauce and cheese, we were all treated to an individual cheese pizza. YUM!



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WELCOME SPRING!

After having a week off for Spring Break, the children came back to enjoy learning about the season of Spring and some of the beautiful things that God has created for this time of year – flowers, birds, butterflies, baby chicks, and of course, the wonderful news that Jesus is alive at Easter! One of the real hands-on lessons that we enjoyed was taking a walk outside to see the tulips that are blooming all around Orland Park Church. Remember when we planted those bulbs in the flower beds last Fall? Now we have beautiful colored tulips growing all around the church! God's creation is beautiful! We enjoyed making colorful crafts of birds in a tree and butterflies. Another great experience that is always a favorite memory of the preschool children is our classroom incubator where we have 24 fertile chicken eggs keeping warm, slowly turning on a tray, and waiting 21 days to hatch. We made a countdown calendar so we can keep track of the 21 days. It will be so much fun to have real baby chicks in our school after they hatch from their eggs on about May 8 or 9! The best thing we learned this Spring is our Bible stories about Jesus and his suffering, death, and resurrection. We praise God that "Jesus is Alive!"

Orland Park Christian Preschool is a busy place with many opportunities for 50 children to explore and learn about God's beautiful world. We thank God for the opportunity to bring His Word and the message of His love to these children and their families. Thank you to the many members, staff, and pastors at Orland Park Christian Reformed Church who pray for us and support us!

