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Little Lambs Preschool of Immanuel Lutheran Church

511 Russell Road DeKalb, IL 60115

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Photos attached: As part of the "Community Helpers" unit the children from Little Lambs Preschool enjoyed an educational presentation by Dr. Sarah and staff of Sycamore Orthodontics & Pediatric Dentistry. The children worked on brushing and flossing skills using life size toothbrushes and jump rope "dental floss." Teachers spent time throughout February talked about many vital community helpers, also tying in Bible stories such as, "The Good Samaritan" and "The Feeding of the Five Thousand." Little Lambs Preschool community registration for fall 2022 classes begins March 14, 2022. Call the school at 815-756-6669 for more information or to schedule a private tour.



COMMUNITY REGISTRATION FOR LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL OF IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WILL BEGIN MARCH 14 FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

The school is located at 511 Russell Road, DeKalb.

As with many organizations it has been a year filled with learning curves for Little Lambs Preschool as they worked through the guidelines for dealing with Covid-19 and running a fun and education program for children ages 3 - 5.

Little Lambs Preschool, has continued to operate safely under CDC guidelines throughout the pandemic. As this school year continues, they have welcomed back additional students, with current classes at near capacity. Plans are in place this spring to explore with Walcamp Outdoor Ministries. They look forward to a more traditional close to this school year, with in-person graduation and outdoor family festivities. They are enthusiastically planning to update and expand both indoor and outdoor play areas in the coming months.

Looking towards fall 2022, Little Lambs Preschool is gearing up to continue to move forward. While continuing to operate under CDC and DCFS guidelines, plans are in place to open all classrooms with a full staff in the fall. Registration for fall will open to the community at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 14.

Little Lambs is a Christian preschool, established in 1996 and licensed by the state of Illinois. Little Lambs Preschool is not a daycare center, but rather a traditional preschool, offering classes to prepare children ages three to five years for the academic years ahead. Using the guidelines of the area school districts, with a play-based atmosphere to promote learning and discovery, classes work on their kindergarten readiness skills. Children also participate in weekly music classes to encourage love of the arts and advance learning through musical applications. An informal children's chapel time is led by the pastor weekly and serves to spearhead the Christian principles of loving and caring for those around us, not only in our school and community, but in our world. Community service projects, field trips, special guest presentations by such groups as the fire department and police, as well as outdoor learning opportunities are all a part of the Little Lambs program.

Each class period runs from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon with multiple class options: Monday/Wednesday; Monday/Wednesday/Friday; Tuesday/Thursday; Monday – Thursday and Monday- Friday. Children must be at least four by September 2022 to enroll in the four or five-day option.

The primary purpose is to provide a loving atmosphere to encourage growth for children and their families through quality programming in a safe environment that fosters growth socially, academically, and spiritually.

The school strives to provide opportunities for children to learn in many ways, offering programming that encourages respect of others while teaching children to take responsibility for themselves and their actions. A Christian emphasis is maintained while recognizing the importance of the child's physical, mental, emotional and social development.

Little Lambs Preschool is licensed by the state of Illinois and affiliated with DeKalb County Coordinated Childcare.

All interested families are invited to visit us online at www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org or call the office at 815-756-6669 for more information or to schedule a private tour. There are pictures of many of the preschool's fun and educational activities on the preschool's Face Book page.