



**MARCH NEWSLETTER 2025**  
**The Giving Nest Preschool in Pluckemin**  
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***March Happenings at the Nest...***

**“St. Patrick’s Day, Leprechauns, Pots of Gold, Rainbows and More...”**

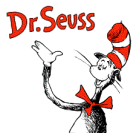


March is always a FUN and MAGICAL month at The Giving Nest, especially because of St. Patrick’s Day. On March 17th and/or 18th (check class calendars), the children will come to school wearing green and they will be busy all day long looking for that silly Leprechaun! He likes to cause a little trouble when the children are not in the classroom (like playing with the toys and not putting them away and turning things upside down, etc....) He really is quite harmless, and he even leaves his footprints for the children to follow towards his “Pot of Gold!” Each child will get a baggie filled with Lucky Charms as a remembrance of this fun-filled day.

***“Art to Remember” Fundraiser***

*A memorable Keepsake made by your Child’s own Hands*

Back by popular demand is a fundraiser entitled **Art to Remember**. During the week of March 3rd, the children will use their talent to create a piece of artwork. It will be sent to the **Art to Remember** company and they will send you an order form and sample of this artwork reproduced on a wonderful keepsake of your choosing. These will arrive at the end of April- before Mother’s Day.



**The Giving Nest Celebrates Dr. Seuss’s birthday with “Read Across the Giving Nest”**

On March 3rd, the National Education Association calls for every child to be reading in the company of a caring adult. On March 3rd<sup>h</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> the children at the Giving Nest will celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday with “Read Across the Giving Nest”. The children should bring in their favorite picture or reading book. Please see your child’s calendar for this date. During Sing Time, the children will share their favorite book. The children will take a pledge that says they will

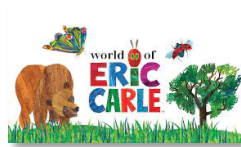
*read, look at or have an adult read them at least one book each day. They will learn that reading is fun, reading allows their mind to have new ideas, knowledge, and dreams. Reading teaches them about the world and themselves. Reading teaches them to be a good listener, an explorer, a motivator, and a role model. Reading will continue to influence them long after the book has been read.*



### ***The Cardinals Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday***

*On Thursday, March 6th, the Cardinal classes H/H-3 & I/I+ will participate in a Dr. Seuss Funday! They will enjoy many activities like a "Horton Hatches an Egg" obstacle course, "Hop on Pop" rhyming memory game, "1 Fish, 2 Fish, RED Fish" card game and a "Cat in the Hat" craft. A memorable day for sure!*

### ***The Bluebirds Celebrate Eric Carle Day***



*On Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, the Bluebird classes F/F+ & J/J+ will participate in an Eric Carle Funday! They will enjoy many activities like a "Very Hungry Caterpillar" Obstacle course, a Butterfly craft, "Head to Toe" game and an Eric Carle Bingo game. Another memorable day!*



### ***Cardinal's Artist Workshop***

*On March 13th, the Cardinals will enjoy a workshop that will introduce them to 4 artists. As most of you know the children were introduced to a famous artist each month throughout the school year. To end our artist unit the children will visit 4 stations that allow them to learn the techniques of those artists. They will "meet" Georgia O'Keefe, Henri Moore, Michelangelo, and the Artist within the child. The children will draw and paint while lying on their backs like Michelangelo. They will sculpt with clay, color and paint large flowers like Georgia O'Keefe and create a sculpture. Parent Volunteers are needed.*



### ***Bluebird's Science Workshop...***

*On March 21st, the children in the Bluebird classes will participate in the "the Scientist Workshop". At the workshop the children will visit four hands-on stations. At each station the children will have the opportunity to use the Scientific Method. They will be presented with a question, make a hypothesis, observe the experiment and record the results. The children will enjoy using microscopes and magnifying glasses. Please see your child's calendar for dates and times. Volunteers are needed.*

## Ducklings Animal Workshop



On March 25<sup>th</sup> & March 26<sup>th</sup>, the Duckling children will enjoy the transformation of our Fellowship Hall into an animal kingdom. Your children will see displays of animals in their own habitat, jungle, forest, farm, and pets. At each station the children will do a craft or activity pertaining to the animals displayed. Parent volunteers are welcome and needed.



### **SAVE THE DATE - IT'S SHOW TIME!!!**

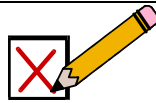
#### **🌸 Giving Nest Spring Show: Celebrating Community Helpers! 🌸**

Join us for a heartwarming Spring Show all about Community Helpers! Each class has chosen a special helper— from librarians to astronauts, bakers to meteorologist—and will delight you with cheerful songs that celebrate their important roles. We can't wait to share this joyful performance with you! Mark your calendars and get ready for an adorable and uplifting show! 🎵🎶+

**Monday, April 28th - Classes C, H/H-3, & J/J+ @ 4:30 in Fellowship Hall**  
**Tuesday, April 29th- Classes A/ A+, B, D/E, E+ & I/I+ @ 4:30 in Fellowship Hall**  
**Wednesday, April 30th – Classes D/E, D+, F/F+ & K/K-2 @ 4:30 in Fellowship Hall**  
**Children in Classes D/E & D+/E+ may attend 1 or both shows. All are invited to attend.**

**Show Donations: There will be a collection box for cans or dried food for the Somerset County Foodbank.**

### **Important Dates....**



**March 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> – READ ACROSS THE GIVING NEST – Please bring in your favorite book to read and show & tell. (Check the teacher's calendar for your day.)**

**March 6<sup>th</sup> – Cardinals celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday**

**March 7<sup>th</sup> – Bluebirds celebrate Eric Carle**

**March 13<sup>th</sup> – Cardinal Artist Workshop - Volunteers needed**

**March 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> – Celebrate St. Patrick's Day – Wear Green (Check your teacher's calendar)**

**March 21<sup>st</sup> – Bluebird Scientist's Workshop – Volunteers needed**

**March 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – Duckling Animal Workshop – Volunteers needed**

**Tax Season is upon us. For those who need it,  
our tax - exempt I.D. # is 02-0693987**