February has been a very busy month for us, and the time has just flown by! Thanks



to all the supportive parents who have come out and helped with all the activities. Here are a few of the exciting things we have been doing.

Our first project was Valentine's Day. Students practiced reading and writing with a pattern book called "Once I Was A Heart". The classroom Valentine exchange and party was excellent! Thanks for the help that day!

We have been talking about kindness and how we can show kindness towards one another. During the month of March, as Lent begins, we will continue to spread kindness as Jesus did. We have read the book called "How Full is your Bucket" by Tom Rath. This book talks about how our actions affect others in both posi-

tive and negative ways. We are trying to fill each other's buckets with our kind actions.

We also have been reading a variety of fairy tales. We have talked about the Characters, setting and the events that happened at the beginning, middle and end of these stories. We

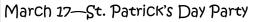
have also read different versions of the same story and compared the differences between them. We will wrap up this unit on March 6th by dressing up as our favourite Character.



Our focus in March will be learning about Canada and how it is made up of people who come from a variety of cultural backgrounds. We will learn about the Indiginous people and their culture and traditions through legends that have been passed down through the elders.

Important Dates to Remember:

March 6—Fairly Tale Dress up day. Dress as your favourite nursery rhyme or fairy tale Character.



March 18—Demonstration of Learning 3-7p.m.

March 19- Kindergarten students attend school during regular program hours.

March 20—No Kindergarten Classes

Spring Break—March 22— March 29 **Please note that the Thursday and Friday switch before the break therefore students will attend Thursday Morning NOT Friday. Classes resume Monday, March 30th.

March 31—Celebrate our Heritage with Cultural Snack Day! Send a snack that represents your own family's heritage!

Valley Zoo Field Trip—April 17. All students attend in the morning from 8:10a.m. until 1:00p.m. Noon hour transportation is not available for those students who normally take the bus home! Parents need to make alternate arrangements for their transportation home! Field trip form coming soon!

May 8 @ 10-11 a.m.—Mother's Day Tea





Shrove Tuesday was recognized on February 25th. Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Tuesday is always the day before Ash Wednesday, and in the past was the last day of eating sweets before Lent began. The more recent view of Lent is not to sacrifice so much but to do "extra good things" for one another. This is what the

Children will be learning in class. Each child will bring home a sheet that has various tasks the chil-

dren can do themselves to show Jesus their love! Lent is a wonderful time to model for our Children the behaviors we are hoping they will learn!











A small portion of March will be spent learning about St. Patrick and his country of Ireland. Old legends will be told and we will learn about leprechauns and shamrocks! Of course we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 17th! Remember to wear GREEN! Parents are welcome to join our parties! Please plan to leave younger siblings at home. I hope those naughty leprechauns won't play any jokes on us!

Beckett, Juliet, Elizabeth, Rocky are on the treat roster for this party!

Beckett- Cheese/sausage and crackers

Rocky—Fruit/veggie tray Juliet—Sweet Treat Elizabeth—20 Yogurt tubes or drinks



No one has contacted me to say that the Mother's Day Tea will be a problem! Remember that each child will need an adult to attend! Our class will celebrate with moms on Friday, May 8th at 10-11a.m..





Demonstration of Learning!

Our Demonstration of Learning is coming up on March 18! Each parent is invited to attend with their child so that you can celebrate together the amazing learning that has been taking place so far this year! The planned activities will allow you to witness the growth your child has made! You should allow yourself about an hour to work through the centers so that you don't feel rushed. The classroom will be open be-



tween 3:00—7:00p.m. to attend the Demonstration of Learning! I will be available for questions any time during the demonstration. I will not make individual appointment times so please drop in when you would like. If you feel that you require more one on one time with me, please feel free to contact me and set up a private conference time! In addition to the online report Card, this is a fantastic opportunity to have your Child show you all the exciting learning happening within our classroom!



The students will begin a large project in March about Canada! We will endeavor to focus on how we live here on the traditional land of Treaty 6 and home of the Métis Nation of Alberta Zone 4. To help us understand that we live here n Edmonton, where the Indigenous peoples ancestors have marked this territory for Centuries, we will share what countries we may have come from, to make this our home.

We will look back and learn about how the Indigenous people survived on the prairies and share some of the legends that have been passed down through the elders. Together, we will share some of the traditions of the Indigenous people and as well as traditions from other countries we have come from. We will look at their similarities and differences. Our final activity will be a Cultural Shack shared together on Tuesday, March 31st, during our regular class

snack time. All families are encouraged to send a traditional/cultural snack for the class to sample, please do so, keeping in mind our class allergies to nuts and peanuts.

