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## Pre K 4 News

### Writing



The word of the week, along with Epiphany, is **Excellent!** That is because your child is exactly that!

We have been practicing letter recognition, sounds, and how each letter is written. This week we will continue our lessons on the letter Ee and introduce Yy to your child's alphabet repertoire.

By now your child knows more than half of the alphabet allowing them to write out words that they can sound out or copy from the board. This is a huge accomplishment for your preschooler. Be prepared to watch your preschooler soar this semester as we ready them to take their next big step to Kindergarten!

### Reading



**Our focus for reading this week will be books on the alphabet and different words that begin with each letter, from fruits to animals, and everything in between!**

**So many authors write books for preschoolers that are engaging and introduce words that are not typical in a preschoolers vocabulary. Have fun at home doing the same thing! It's a fun and exciting way build up their vocabulary and develop an engaging conversation with your growing preschooler!**

**Letters we have introduced:  
Nn, Ww, Pp, Hh, Mm, Aa, Bb, Kk, Dd, Ff, Oo, Cc, Ee... Next is Yy!**

### Math



#### **Numbers and Counting!**

**Number recognition from 1-20 and counting out objects from dinosaurs to shapes, helps develop math skills to keep your preschooler focused and on task!**

**Some ways you can develop these skills at home can be by counting how many bites it takes to eat cereal, how many steps it takes to reach the bathroom, or how many licks to eat an ice cream!**

### General



Last week we celebrated Epiphany, the baptism of Jesus, and the Feast Day of St. Basil with the cutting of the Vasilopita for William Tavlardides' Name Day!

**Greek Name Days - A celebration of Greek culture!** Greek Name Days include not just religious names but also names which go back to the beginning of Greek culture. These names would include those of mythical heroes and the famous Greek philosophers such as Odysseus, Alexander, Socrates, Plato and Helen.

**Did you know that all of the children in the PreK4 class can count all the way to 31 in English and Greek and recognize each letter above? ABSOLUTELY AMAZING!!!**