



# ILS Connections

A monthly Newsletter Connecting  
our school families, teaching staff, school leaders,  
congregation, and community!

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## From our School Director

How many times have you said: *"I wish I had half the energy of a toddler!"*? Well, I'm also thinking: *I wish I had half the self-esteem and resolve of a toddler!!*

I just read an article about a bride who's groom did not show up for the wedding. It's hard to imagine a more crushing blow! But you know what she did? Rather than cancel the arranged events of the day; she used it as a party with her friends and family just to celebrate life! Imagine that!! But that's kind'a what preschoolers do every day!!

This past week I watched as a boy ran towards the swing (they often run and swing with their belly on the swing); for some reason he did a flip around the swing and landed on his face. OUCH! I carried him inside and he was wiped off and comforted. When he came back to the playground I was thinking he'd avoid the swings for a few days. Nope! He went running back to the swing and swung on his belly (successfully this time)

Toddlers are often uncoordinated and ungraceful in their rapidly growing bodies. Yet, in almost every fail or fall they jump up like the king of the world! They climb the play mountain higher than they can get down and cry for you to help them. Then, next thing you know they're climbing to the top! Yeah, I want the self-esteem and resolve of a toddler!!

When I fail, it hurts ... often for a long time! The good news is that our gracious Lord Jesus is always there to comfort me and you in every failure and make things new (remember when Jesus said: you must become like a little child to enter heaven?)! Jesus, make me like a toddler so I can keep going and live for You!!

If you have questions or suggestions about our school please contact me: school office: 217-442-5036; text or call my cell: 217-516-0085; [ILS.MichaelHeidle.Director@gmail.com](mailto:ILS.MichaelHeidle.Director@gmail.com) or: [ILS.PreschoolOffice@gmail.com](mailto:ILS.PreschoolOffice@gmail.com).

## Young Two's in Blue Toddler Room

The young Two's have had a great month! This month, we have enjoyed the color orange! A few of the young Two's were able to see the fire truck and meet Marshal the fire dog; they loved it! Brown Bear Brown Bear and The Wheels On The Bus are our current favorite books. The littles continue to sit perfectly during circle time and look forward to reading books in the loft every day! Our month will conclude with the Halloween costume parade on the 31st. Can't wait to see everyone dressed up! We look forward to making a short and sweet debut in the Veterans Day program. The color for November will be yellow!

I am excited to stay as teacher of the young Two's class and watch them flourish as we welcome new friends into our class!

Mrs. Ricketts



## Two's Class in our Red Room

Are you sure these kids are two?! They definitely seem older to me with how they handled squares, circles, and triangles, which make for fun crafts and song. While working thru and around sickness (hopefully it's all past us now), we've enjoyed falling into leaves, acorns, pumpkins, and buckeyes. These natural hammer pounders nailed golf tees into pumpkins and pretended to be squirrels to hide their acorns for winter. Next few weeks will not fail us to show how we can learn to be safe and kind. Mrs. Lasher



### Three's Class in the Yellow Room

*The school year is flying by! How can we be in November already?!* In October, we had our first field trip of the year to Willow Barn Pumpkin Patch and to Kickapoo to have a picnic lunch. We also had a visit from the Danville Fire Department which consisted of three different stations to learn and explore. We are enjoying our Fall and Halloween lessons and craft projects. We are excited for our field trip to Hardy's Reindeer Ranch (Nov. 3) and our Veteran's concert Nov. 10th. **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!**

Mrs. Hammer



### PreK Class in our Green Room

October flew by! We talked and sang about fall leaves, pumpkins, fire safety, Christopher Columbus, and so many Fall items. We had a fun time on our field trip to Hog Wallow Pumpkin Patch. We had a wagon ride to huge pumpkins. We continue to work on our letter of the week and numbers. In God's Time we learned about The life of Moses, building of the tabernacle, Joshua and the battle of Jericho and David. November brings Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. We are so thankful for our school. Wishing you all a **Happy Thanksgiving!** Mrs. Heidle



Please visit our Immanuel website: [www.ilcdanville.com](http://www.ilcdanville.com) and click on our School tab for info and more photos of our ILS! And be sure to follow Immanuel Lutheran Church & School on Facebook for photos, videos, and updates! Check out our Facebook page often!!

### Three's Class in our Purple Room

The month of October was full of excitement, field trips, and parties; but the month of November is going to be just as fun and even busier! We will start the month off with a field trip to Hardy's Reindeer Ranch where we will get to learn about the reindeer, take a tour, and even pet/feed them. Then we will move into Veteran's Day and learn all about our hero veterans and proudly perform a concert in gratitude to them. We are so thankful for our veterans! We will introduce 3 new letters this month, one new shape, one new color, and the number 3. Before we know it, it will be time to celebrate Thanksgiving and perform a few songs for our families and friends! Mrs. Showers

### Veterans Program

ILS Children's patriotic Veterans Program will be Thursday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 in our gym! The children are doing great learning their songs, please invite grandparents, relatives, veterans to come! Have you children dressed in red, white, blue for the program!

### Poinsettia Sale

ILS will again host a Poinsettia Sale in conjunction with County Market. We ask each ILS family to sell as many poinsettias as possible throughout November. Orders due Monday, Nov. 28. Poinsettias will arrive Dec. 15 for you to deliver. Prize for top seller!

### BoxTops

*Did you know many of the snacks you buy for your child and your child's class have BoxTop points that could give \$\$ to ILS?* Please use the BoxTops app to scan each store receipt to earn money to our school automatically. Or bring the receipt to your child's teacher or Mr Heidle and we'll scan it for you in a flash! We have earned over \$70 this year already (more than we earned all year last year). Help us make this a banner year with BoxTops for Education!

### Upcoming Dates for ILS!

Nov. 10 6:30 pm ILS Veterans Program  
Nov. 11 No School: Veterans Day  
Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Program at 8:30 am  
Nov. 23-25 No School: Thanksgiving Break  
Dec. 19 - Jan. 2 Christmas Break: No School



## Thanksgiving Program

Parents, we invite you to attend our special Thanksgiving Program on Nov. 22 beginning in our gym at 8:30 and then chapel at 9:30. The entire program will be finished by 10:00; but your child will love to have you here for his/her special celebration of Thanksgiving right before Thanksgiving Break Nov. 23–25!

## Fire Safety

By now your refrigerator is likely sporting some of the Fire Safety artwork so many of our classes recently did—learning what 9-1-1 is for! In addition, actual firemen came (along with Marshall) giving children a sample of fire training, the fire house, and they got to sit in an actual firetruck! We had two fire drills (one with firemen watching) and an inadvertent fire alarm! That was too much of the loud alarm during naptime, but our children now are ‘experts’ at responding to the fire alarm!

## Tuition, Lunch fees, & Billing

A few families are a bit behind on payments; but some of you have made great strides to catch up – *thank you!!* Thank you to those keeping up each month – *keep up the great support!* Please speak with Mr. Heidle if you need a payment plan or have questions about the billing process. Our next billing sheet should go home Nov.3 with a reminder about November tuition due and October lunch fees and other fees. Thank you!

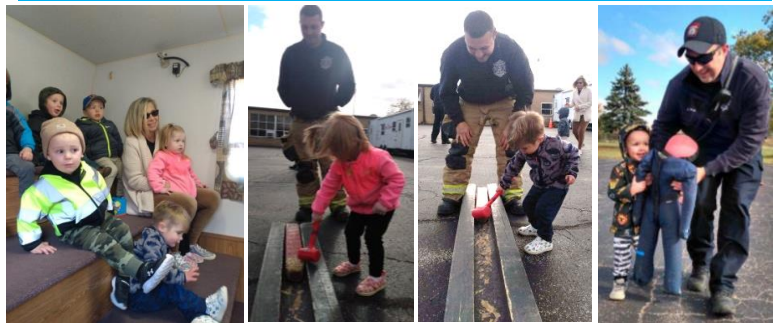
## School Mission Projects

For our first school mission (Aug. – Oct.) we brought in 220 food items and \$175.50 for Immanuel's Food Bank. Your donations are greatly appreciated and are helping hungry families in our community!

Now, we are collecting for Hope Center that serves children in Fair Oaks housing with good aftercare, snacks, and citizenship skills. Each week an envelope comes home in your child's folder that can be used for \$\$ donation and the label lists what we are collecting that week. We hope that this might become a family mission as well: do a family project to raise \$\$ for the school mission project or go shopping together and let your child pick out the items; or maybe your child can do a household chore to earn \$\$ to buy the items for the mission. We are blessed to be a blessing! Thanks for your support!

## ILS Shirts are IN!

60 of our 68 ILS logo shirts are IN (a few colors became unavailable and we checked with families for alternate colors and those shirts will be a couple weeks out). The first shirts should get to you soon after reading this; so look for lots of ILS logo wear! Wear ILS with pride and as a witness to others about our great ILS spirit!!





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