

ZEBRA NEWSLETTER

April 2026

Theme 8: Amazing Critters

Over the next few weeks, our class will be learning about little critters like bugs, insects, and small amphibians and reptiles. Preschoolers are naturally curious about these tiny creatures—how they move, what they look like, and what they eat. As you go about your day, try pointing out critters around your home, on the way to school, or when you're outside with your child. Take a moment to watch how they move and talk about what makes them different. Please remember to observe critters safely and kindly without harming them.

Literacy

Week 1: Crawling Critters
Read-Aloud Time: Backyard Bugs

Critter Camouflage
Week 2: Flying Critters
Read-Aloud Time: Monarchs
Little Bee's Journey

Week 3: Hopping Critters
Read-Aloud Time:
Grasshopper Gus
Ant and the Grasshopper
Week 4: Scaly & Slithering Critters
Read-Aloud Time: The Lizards in the Window

Sara Sidney's Special Day
Kate the Chameleon

Important Dates

- Apr 1st ~ 5th - Holy Week (www.gdlc.org)
- Apr 3rd - PROGRAM CLOSED for Good Friday
- Apr 5th - Easter Sunday Worship Services & Egg Hunt
- Apr 6th - PROGRAM CLOSED for Good Monday
- Apr 29th ~ 24th - Volunteer Appreciation Week
- Apr 22nd - Parent Chapel
- Apr 24th - Joy the Comfort Dog Visit

Math

During our daily math time, we will be practicing counting and learning about the numbers 1-5. Children will work on understanding "how many" by counting objects and connecting them to the correct number. We will also explore different ways to make the same number, like how 5 can be made with 2 and 3 or 4 and 1. Students will also learn that the amount in a group stays the same even if the objects are moved around.

Shapes: Cross/Octagon

Colors: Brown/Gray

Number: 9

Letters: S, U

FOS: Peace

Memory Verse: "I have called you friends." • John 15:15 NIV

Key Question: Who wants to be your friend forever?

Bottom Line: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be your friend forever