



## ICCS Preschool News



### Pumpkin Science

Miss Angela and Miss Melissa's Preschool class had some gooey pumpkin science fun this month! After exploring and observing the insides of a pumpkin, the students drew pictures of their observations and dictated to their teachers what they felt and saw. It was exciting to see these young scientists at work.



### Patterning With Nature

Miss Jylian and Miss Michaela's Pre-Kindergartners have been working on copying, extending, and creating patterns this month. One of the many fun patterning activities that they engaged in was creating flower pattern picture frames. They had a blast using some of God's most beautiful creations to practice this important mathematical skill.

# Developmental Highlights

## Gross Motor Skills



Gross motor skills involve the movement of the large muscles. Running, jumping, climbing, and throwing are all gross motor skills. Our new wooden balance boards are a big hit with our students! These boards promote balance and coordination and can be used in so many fun ways. You can help support your child's gross motor development in simple ways such as tossing and kicking a ball back and forth, asking them to jump like a frog to the kitchen table, or making a simple (or elaborate!) obstacle course out of household items such as pillows and chairs.

## Catholic Sprouts

Here at ICCS Preschool we believe that parents are the first teachers of the faith for their children. If you are looking for ways to incorporate teaching the Catholic faith in your home check out Catholic Sprouts! It's a daily podcast for children of all ages that is full of fun teaching about Jesus, the Saints, Liturgical Seasons, the Sacraments, the 10 Commandments and so much more! Catholic Sprouts is available on most podcast apps or click on this link to their website.

<http://catholicsprouts.com/>



### **Teacher Fun Fact**

Did you know that Miss Melissa is a twin? Yes! She has a fraternal twin sister and they don't look alike but still twins!



### **Encouraging Words for Parents**

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

**Luke 6:38**