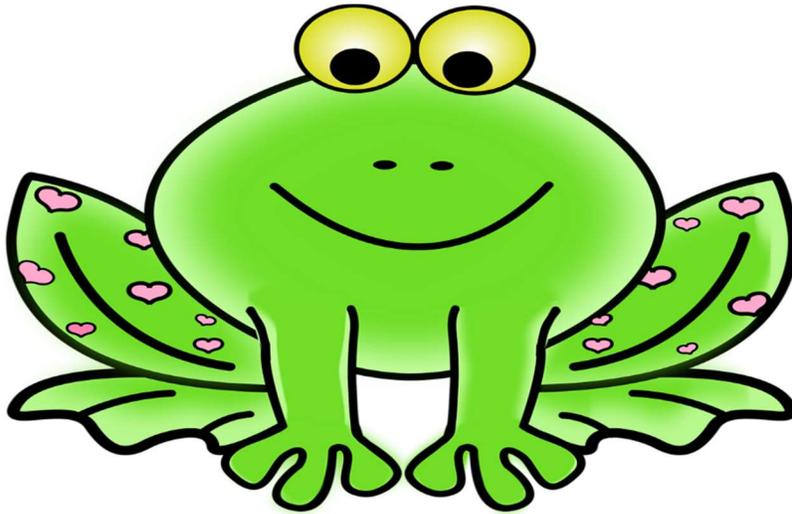


September Pre-K-3 Newsletter



Welcome to a brand-new school year! I am very excited to be your child's teacher and getting the opportunity to know and work with all my new students. In pre-school this year, we will be exploring different themes and topics, getting messy and creative with various art projects, learning about God, and sharing songs and stories. There will also be lots of fun and laughter as we share this special time together. It is going to be an awesome adventure!

Important Dates: Thursday, September, 4: 1st Day of Pre-K-3
Tuesday, September, 9: Picture Day

The following is some important information about our classroom for you to read and keep for future reference:

Drop off and Dismissal:

The Pre-K-3 students come to school on **Thursday** and **Friday**. Drop off is between **7:45am – 8:00am** at the **garden doors**. Dismissal is at **11:30am** at the **garden doors**.

Folders:

The folder is an important form of communication between school and home. Please check your child's folder daily. Anything on the **HOME** side may be read and kept at home and anything on the **SCHOOL** side is to be read and returned. **Your child needs to bring his/her green folder to school every day!**

Labeling:

Please be sure to label all items brought to school such as:

- *Backpack
- *Water Bottle
- *Items for Snack (ex. lunchbox or bag)
- *Clothing (coats, sweaters, jackets, etc.)

Also remember that any money or papers that need to come back to school need to be placed in separate envelopes labeled with your child's name, grade, and what it is for and be returned to school in your child's green folder. This will help us to send things to the office and also helps out our administrative assistant as well.



Morning Routine:

I wanted to remind my families, that you may walk your child into our classroom on the **first 2 days of school: Thursday, September 4 and Friday, September 5**. Then the following week, we will start the **separation process**, therefore you and your child will need to say good-bye

outside the garden doors and your child will enter the building by them-selves. I want my families to know that Miss Ami (classroom helper) and myself will do everything to help those students who may need a little assistance. It may be hard for you to see some tears, but I promise your child will be **Loved and Cared for!**

I am asking my pre-school parents to assist me in reinforcing our classroom morning routine. Part of pre-school is to encourage and foster independence. Therefore, I am asking you to practice saying goodbye at the outside door. The students will then enter the classroom, take their backpack to their seat where they will take out their folder and snack. The students will then walk and place their green folder in the bin in the purple cart, go out to their locker where they will hang up their belongings and place their snack in the provided bin. As they re-enter the room, they will flip over their name card and then sit down in their seat and work on the manipulatives placed on their table until circle time begins.



This year's school pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, September 9, 2025**. Although this is not a normal scheduled school day for the Pre-K-3 class, my students are being asked to come in to have our pictures taken. Your child will have his/her individual photo taken and their photo will make-up our class photo as well as for the safety ID badge they will wear while at school.

I am asking that you have your child at school between **8:00am - 8:15am**. I will meet my students at the garden doors (adults can wait outside in the garden area). When everyone has arrived, we will go upstairs, have our photos taken, and then when finished, I will bring my students out to their adults for them to go home.

What we will be doing in Pre-K-3:

- *Working on identifying their own first name
- *Recognizing our new friends and using their name to identify them
- *Learning our classroom routines
- *Learning how to use the materials in our various centers
- *Reading stories, learning songs, and doing art activities about fall and things associated with fall (apples, acorns, leaves, squirrels)
- *Learning our new prayers – ask your child to teach you the motions that go with them
- *Beginning to learn the story of Creation

