

September 4, 2023

Dear PreK 4 families,

Thank you for a great start to the school year. The children are spending time getting to know one another and adjusting to the preschool classroom. As the preschool days keep marching on, the children will become much more acquainted with their new surroundings, friends, and teachers. There will be many opportunities and activities to help the children feel more comfortable.

Morning Arrival:

Thank you for helping your child enter the outside doors independently. The children are doing an amazing job finding their cubbies, taking off backpacks, as well as entering the classroom. I am so pleased. To ease your minds, Ms. Tammy is in the lobby to assist the children as they enter the building. As the children transition from the lobby to the classroom, I am there to greet them.

Once inside the classroom, the children get busy at one of our tables with an activity. It is so fun to see the children adjusting to our morning routine. They are doing a marvelous job.

An important letter was emailed to all families that pertains to our morning drop off procedures. Please send me an email or call the main school office if you have any questions. Mrs. Wrobel and Mrs. Pilney are always available to help with questions.

End of the Day Dismissal:

Thank you for your understanding as both Ms. Tammy and I are getting to know our PreK 4s families and Authorized Pick-up Helpers. If it is a nice day, the children will be dismissed from the park. If we are unable to use the playground due to the weather, we will plan to dismiss from the main Preschool doors. Thank you for your patience as we dismiss the children to the proper person.

Attendance Line:

If your child will be late for school or absent, please call the Absentee line which goes directly to the main school office. You are welcome to email me, as well. The Absentee line is checked often throughout the day. **Attendance Line: 651-457-3031**

Lunch Time:

If your child stays for lunch, please be sure their name is on the outside and inside of their lunch box. Also, please note we are a nut aware school. This means we are not peanut free but are aware of allergies. Preschoolers may bring peanut butter sandwiches to school.

Our School Operations Manager, Mrs. Wrobel, sent out information regarding our Hot Lunch Program. Be sure to check your email. Thank you.

Sturdy Shoes:

Please be sure your little one wears shoes that have closed heels and toes. It is hard to resist the cute sandals and crocs, especially in the warm weather, but our policy is to have sturdy shoes at school. Thank you.

Reminder for Snack Days:

Please send 2/4 food groups when it is your child's snack day. It is more economical to purchase in bulk if you wish. The Snack Time procedures and suggestions that were sent home could be very helpful. Be sure to send any plastic utensils, if needed for the snack. There is no need to send napkins or a beverage. Thank you so much.

Communication via email:

Please keep your email, phone number and address current with us if it changes at any time during the school year. My newsletters will be sent home via email. You will also receive the Preschool-8th grade newsletter each Friday. All newsletters are filled with information you will not want to miss. 😊 Thank you.

School Website:

St. Joseph's School website is another place to look for PreK-8th grade information. Our school website is very user friendly.

Thank you for all you are doing to start the year off in a positive direction. Your support means so very much. Your children are just precious and have already captured our hearts.

Contact me or the main school office if you have any questions.

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