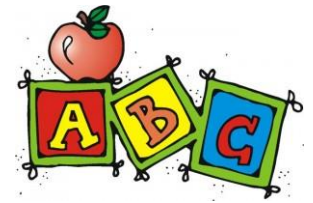




ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PRESCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER



AUG.

- 27 **PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHT – 7:00-8:30 PM**
(Held in the Fr. Capitani Social Hall)
- 28 **STUDENT ORIENTATION FOR:**
JUNIORS (M/W/F CLASS – MISS CHRISTY)
SENIORS (M/W/F CLASS – MISS KELLY ANN)
SENIORS (M-F CLASS – MISS BARB)
- 29 **STUDENT ORIENTATION FOR:**
JUNIORS T/TH CLASS – MISS CATHY)
- 30 **NO PRESCHOOL**

SEPT.

- 2 **SCHOOL & OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**
- 3 **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR:**
MISS CATHY'S JUNIOR T/TH CLASS (WEEK 1: 9-10:30)
MISS BARB'S SENIOR M-F CLASS (9-1)
- WEEP & REJOICE PARTY**
- 4 **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR:**
MISS CHRISTY'S JUNIOR M/W/F CLASS (WEEK 1: 9-10:30)
MISS KELLY ANN'S SENIOR M/W/F CLASS (9-1)
- WEEP & REJOICE PARTY**
- 9 **M/W/F JUNIOR CLASS (WEEK 2: 9-11)**
GYM DAY (BOTH SENIOR CLASSES)
KIDSTUFF FUNDRAISER BEGINS
PERMISSION SLIP DUE FOR SENIORS FIELD TRIP TO BROWN'S ORCHARD
- 10 **T/TH JUNIOR CLASS (WEEK 2: 9-11)**
- 16 **M/W/F JUNIOR CLASS (WEEK 3: REG. SCHEDULE 9-11:30)**
"RED" DAY (M/W/F JUNIORS & BOTH SENIOR CLASSES)
GYM DAY (M/W/F JUNIORS & BOTH SENIOR CLASSES)
- 17 **T/TH JUNIOR CLASS (WEEK 3: REG. SCHEDULE 9-11:30)**
"RED" DAY (T/TH JUNIORS)
GYM DAY (T/TH JUNIORS)
TIME FOR TWO'S CLASS BEGINS (9-11)
SOCCER SHOTS BEGINS @ 1:00
- 20 **SENIOR'S FIELD TRIP TO BROWN'S ORCHARDS**
PARENTAL CONSENT FORMS DUE FOR VISION SCREENING FOR SENIOR CLASSES

- 23 **GYM DAY (M/W/F JUNIORS & BOTH SENIOR CLASSES)**
LAST DAY FOR KIDSTUFF FUNDRAISER
- 24 **GYM DAY (T/TH JUNIORS)**
TIME FOR TWO'S CLASS (RED DAY)
- 25 **VISION SCREENINGS FOR SENIOR CLASSES**
- 26 **JOHNNY APPLESEED DAY (T/TH JUNIORS)**
- 27 **JOHNNY APPLESEED DAY (M/W/F JRS & BOTH SR CLASSES)**
- 30 **GYM DAY (M/W/F JUNIORS & BOTH SENIOR CLASSES)**

PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHT

An orientation meeting is scheduled for **parents only** on Tuesday, August 27th, which will begin at 7:00 pm and end around 8-8:30 pm. Please enter through the outside doors to the social hall. Mrs. Sue Mareck (school principal) will introduce the preschool staff and go over the student handbook. You will then go to your child's classroom to meet the teacher and address any questions you may have. If you have not paid the tuition for September or submitted a copy of your child's up-to-date immunizations, please see Patty Mazziott (preschool secretary) in the school office before leaving.



JUNIORS & SENIORS ORIENTATION DAYS

We realize that preschool is a very big step in your child's life and we understand there may be an emotional and/or social adjustment for some of the children, especially if they are just beginning preschool. We want the first day of school to be a positive experience for the children and parents, so we have scheduled an orientation day for the Junior and Senior children.

On your child's orientation day, he or she will come to school for one hour and a parent or other adult will remain at the preschool with their child.

Please refer to your child's **Welcome Letter and Important Schedule Information List** from their teacher for their specified orientation day and time and the schedule information for the first few weeks. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Patty Mazziott or Mrs. Sue Mareck in the school office.

Welcome To Our School

Welcome to St. John the Baptist Preschool! We hope everyone has had a relaxing and wonderful summer! On the first day of school your child will bring home some important papers which will need to be returned no later than September 20th. A preschool newsletter will be emailed monthly.

Your child will bring home a copy of the snack calendar each month. If you do not receive a copy of the snack calendar, you may get one from the school office.

If you cannot come to Parent Orientation Night on Tuesday, August 27th, please see Patty in the school office on your child's orientation day for a copy of the Student Handbook and any other handouts from that evening. **The September snack calendar will also come home with your child on their orientation day.**

WEEP & REJOICE PARTY

If you are having anxiety, sadness or joy because this is your child's first experience sending your child to preschool or even if you're an "old-pro", you are welcome to stay for the Weep & Rejoice Party. This will give you an opportunity to meet other parents from your child's class who may have the same feelings you do, also you are close by if your child is having a difficult time on their first day of school. Light refreshments will be served in the conference room and you are welcome to stay for a short time or the entire time your child is in class. The Weep & Rejoice Parties are September 3rd and 4th from 9:00 am – 10:30 am.

GYM CLASSES



Your child will have gym once a week on Monday or Tuesday. Please have your child wear sneakers and comfortable clothing on gym days. **Gym classes will begin on:**

Monday, September 9th – 3 & 5 day Senior's (4's)

Monday, September 16th - M/W/F Juniors (3's)

Tuesday, September 17th - T/TH Juniors (3's)

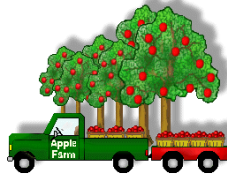
KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOK FUNDRAISER

On September 9th we will begin the Kidstuff Fundraiser. A coupon book will be sent home with your child (one per family). The coupon book has many coupons designed for families. The purchase price is \$25.00 and the school earns a 50% profit of \$12.50 for each book sold! Online ordering will be available as well. More details to come.

The fundraiser will run from September 9th to September 23rd. If you decide not to participate, please return your book to the school office.



BROWN'S ORCHARD FIELD TRIP (4'S FIELD TRIP)



The senior classes will visit Brown's Orchard on Friday, September 20th from 9:30 – 11:00.

At 9:15, please meet your child's teacher and the tour guides under the outdoor pavilion next to Brown's Greenhouse.

Please note that the children will not be returning to school after the field trip unless they are coming back for Little Angel's aftercare or extended care.

The children will visit the "Honey House" and learn about the importance of the honey bees. They will walk to the apple trees to learn about how apples grow and how to pick an apple. Then they will follow the apple from the orchards to the Market to see the grading machine, cider making, produce room and the bakery! They will meet some of their workers and learn about their jobs. The children will also receive an apple, coloring book and sample some of their delicious apple cider!

This is a fun and educational tour! If it is raining the day of the tour, Browns can work around a light rain, but we may have to reschedule if there is a hard rain.

There is a \$4.00 charge per preschool child. No cost to adults or younger siblings, **but siblings must stay with their parents during tour, etc.**

A permission form will come home with your child on their orientation day, please fill it out and **return it to the school office along with the field trip fee no later than Monday, September 9th.**

You are welcome to stay after the tour is over to enjoy the pavilion and playground area. There are picnic tables if you wish to bring a brown bag lunch or purchase food from Brown's Coffee Bar/Café.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PRESCHOOL DOES NOT HAVE A BUS AND THE TEACHERS DO NOT TRANSPORT THE CHILDREN TO/FROM THE FIELD TRIPS. THE PARENTS OR OTHER ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY THEIR PRESCHOOL CHILD ON ALL FIELD TRIPS. FIELD TRIPS ARE NOT MANDATORY.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ENROLLED IN LITTLE ANGELS BEFORE/AFTER CARE, THE PARENT OR OTHER ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY THEIR PRESCHOOL CHILD ON ALL FIELD TRIPS. YOU MAY BRING YOUR CHILD BACK TO LITTLE ANGELS AFTER THE FIELD TRIP, BUT PLEASE SPEAK WITH OR EMAIL MISS DEBBIE NO LATER THAN THE WEEK BEFORE THE FIELD TRIP TO LET HER KNOW THAT IS WHAT YOU ARE PLANNING TO DO.

IF YOUR CHILD CANNOT GO ON THE FIELD TRIP, BUT YOU ARE STILL IN NEED OF BEFORE/AFTER CARE ON FIELD TRIP DAY, PLEASE SPEAK WITH OR EMAIL MISS DEBBIE.

Debbie Gardecki's email: DGardecki@sjbnf.org

COLOR DAYS



Each month from September to April we will present and celebrate a color (some months we will celebrate two colors). On the first day of school your child will bring home a paper with all the color days for each month. If possible, please have your child wear an article of clothing with the appropriate color for that day. You will also find the specified color days listed in the monthly newsletter and snack calendar.

TIME FOR TWO'S CLASS



This is a teacher directed class on Tuesdays from 9:00 – 11:00. This class is designed for children 2 years of age and accompanied by a parent or other adult. Activities include circle time, crafts and a lot of one on one time with your child.

For more information or a registration form, please contact the school office. **The first class will begin on September 17th.** There is a \$20 non-refundable registration fee due at the time of registration and monthly tuition payments will begin in October and are due on or before the 10th of each month.

VISION SCREENING (SENIOR CLASSES)



Wednesday, September 25th, VisionCorps will visit our preschool and offer vision screenings to our “senior” classes (the junior classes will have their screenings in April 2020). A “**Parental Consent Form**” and a donation envelope will be sent home with your child. VisionCorps is a non-profit organization and asks that you consider making a donation of \$1.00 for the service. Services ***will not*** be denied any child based on a donation.

Your child cannot be screened if we do not have the “Parental Consent Form.” Please return by Monday, September 23rd.

We will need **ONE PARENT** to assist the screener on **Wednesday, 9/25**. If you would like to volunteer, please go to the school website www.stjnschool.org and click onto “Volunteer Signup”.



Johnny Appleseed

Thursday, September 26th the T/TH Junior class and the Time for Two's class will celebrate Johnny Appleseed Day.

Friday, September 27th the M/W/F Junior class and both Senior classes will celebrate Johnny Appleseed Day. The teachers will plan special activities and something scrumptious to eat!



The Children's Soccer Experience

THE SOCCER SHOTS PROGRAM FOR AGES 3-5 UTILIZES CREATIVE AND IMAGINATIVE GAMES TO FOCUS ON BASIC SOCCER SKILLS LIKE DRIBBLING, PASSING AND SHOOTING. THEY ALSO HIGHLIGHT A POSITIVE CHARACTER TRAIT EACH SESSION SUCH AS RESPECT, TEAMWORK AND APPRECIATION.

SOCCER SHOTS WILL COME TO OUR SCHOOL ON TUESDAYS @ 1:00 BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 17TH AND ENDING ON NOVEMBER 12TH.

MORE INFORMATION WITH PRICING AND REGISTRATION WILL BE SENT HOME WITH YOUR CHILD

Read-a-Thon

Read for fun...Read to help our school! St. John the Baptist Catholic School will have a Read-a-Thon to kick off the school year as well as a Used Book Sale. The sale will take place from September 6 – September 8. The children may trade-in a book (or two) from home for one from the sale. Book donations can be dropped off in the designated bin in front of the school entrance.

More information is available at stjohnthebaptistfundraiser.com Or questions may be directed to our Development Director, Lauren Stevens at lstevens@sbnf.org 717-235-3525 x213

