
All Saints Pre-“Scoop”

August 2017



**ALL ABOARD!!
IT'S FULL STEAM LEARNING AHEAD!!**

Thank you for choosing All Saints Preschool to enhance your child's learning journey. We are committed to providing quality care and education that is demonstrated by our voluntary participation in the Iowa Quality Rating System. As we continue to work on maintaining the highest level of 5 stars as a Quality Rated Program for the State of Iowa, we take great pride in our mission to provide faith-based quality care, and education at All Saints Preschool. While the 5 stars signify the highest level possible in the State of Iowa, those 5-stars represent even more to our program. We are a 5-Star Center because we are built upon a 5-Star Foundation.

We shine because of our commitment to-

★ Families ★ Faith ★ Fundamentals of Learning
 ★ Friends ★ Fun!

Thanks to this foundation, and the staff's hard work, we are committed to achieving the highest standards possible that reflect All Saints commitment to excellence, and our commitment to - the children!

For your general reference, the Preschool program consists of **three** classrooms-

* **YELLOW** classroom located near the main school office, where we have classes for 3 year old children with teachers, Mrs. Mackenburg and Ms. Lori Heaton.

* **BLUE** classroom located near the main school office, where we have classes for 4 year old children with teachers, Mrs. O'Connell, Mrs. Schneyer (AM class) and Mrs. Mackenburg (PM class).

* **RED** Enrichment classroom located off of the child care center, near the gym. The Enrichment class serves the older 4 year old and 5 year old children with teachers, Mrs. Kray and Mrs. Miller.

On a monthly basis, you will receive a newsletter like this titled, "**All Saints Pre-Scoop.**" The newsletter will contain upcoming events, field trips, songs, rhymes, finger plays of the month, color and shape of the month, etc. On the reverse side of the newsletter will be the snack calendar. Please read this carefully each month and check the snack calendar for your child's designated snack days. The calendar also indicates how many nutritional snacks you will provide for the class. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL snacks must be brought to school in commercially pre-packaged factory sealed**

containers. Homemade snacks are not allowed.

Ex. sealed box of fish crackers, sealed bag of cheese cubes, etc. As a health and safety reminder: Preschool remains a **NUT FREE ZONE**. Due to allergies, please do not bring snacks that contain any kind of nuts or peanut butter. Also, as a safety precaution, we are discouraging carrots and grapes due to the potential choking hazard. Please be aware of these guidelines as you prepare snack. Thank you!

In addition to the snack information, you will receive the weekly thematic base units we will focus on. For example, we will begin the year with the introductory themes, "*All Aboard – it's Full S.T.E.A.M Ahead*" and "*Rules of the Road.*" During these units we will introduce the routine and rules as the children adjust to the school environment. From there we will stay on track as we learn about meeting new friends, and using our manners.



The Preschool staff is eager for the opportunity to learn and grow with your children this year. Together this team of educators shares MANY years of valuable classroom experience and Early Childhood training to enhance your child's learning.

The Preschool team is anxious to get the year started and meet with our parents at the **PRESCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION MEETING** on Monday, August 21st at 6:30 PM in the school cafeteria. At this time, we will distribute our handbook, and discuss policies and procedures. This meeting is intended primarily for **NEW** parents to our program. Returning parents do not need to attend this meeting unless you would like to review the handbook and policies. Please arrange care for your children, as this is an important time to share information with parents. If you do not attend the Parent Information Meeting, you will receive your Parent Handbook at the "Get Acquainted Hour." It is **VITAL** that all parents **THOROUGHLY** read the Parent Handbook, as it contains information in regards to our policies and procedures necessary for a safe and organized program.

Please refer to the reverse side for information in regards to your child's classroom, teachers, and class list.

