



# Welcome to PreK-4!

Hi! My name is Mrs. McElwain and I am very excited to be your teacher this year! I have a lot of fun activities planned and I can't wait to start our year together. I know you will love Prek-4.

## About me

I have been teaching for 24 years and this is my sixth year at Blessed Sacrament School. I have my Masters Degree in Early Childhood Education and a Rhode Island teaching certificate.

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**Dear Families,**

Welcome to Blessed Sacrament Preschool! We are looking forward to an exciting year in our program of learning, challenges and fun filled activities for your children. Following is information that we hope will help make the first days of school an easy and smooth transition as we begin the 2020-2021 school year.

Children in the Preschool Program should bring **one snack and drink for the morning break, one snack and drink for the afternoon break and a lunch.** The option of ordering lunch through the Providence school lunch program is also available. Forms for that option will be sent home separately. Milk is provided by the school for all children during lunch.

Students will also need to bring in a crib size light weight blanket ( no larger than 46"x60" )for their afternoon rest time. These may be sent in during the first week of classes. Blankets will be sent home to be laundered.

We have also found that a regular size backpack, in addition to a lunch box, helps to keep school belongings, "projects" and notices together in an organized manner. Please be sure to go through your child's backpack after each school day.

Please send in a bag labeled with your child's name with an extra set of clothes (pants, shirt, underwear, socks).

**Please label all items worn or brought to school with your child's name in permanent ink.**

**Please be sure to advise us if your child is allergic to any foods, has any medical or health issues we should be aware of immediately.**

A **Dismissal Permission Form** will be sent home with your child the first day of school. It is essential that it be completed and signed by each of the people authorized by you to pick up your child from school, signed by a parent and returned to school promptly.

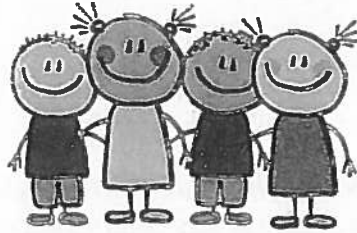
For the first days, before that form is received, a note from you will be required stating the name of the person other than you who will be picking up your child. That person will need photo identification with them in order to release your child from school. No exceptions will be made.

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\*\*\*\*\*If you are late picking up your child at 2:30, he/she will be brought to after school daycare and be signed in until your arrival\*\*\*\*\*

*Donations of paper towels, tissues, disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer are always welcome.*

In closing, please know that we are always available to answer your questions and discuss any concerns you may have regarding your child. Let's work together to have our preschool children develop happy, positive and secure feelings about their first school experience. Thank you for choosing Blessed Sacrament School!



## **Preschool**

Blessed Sacrament Preschool is a thematic based program for children 3-5 years old. All subjects are introduced using hands-on activities presented in both large and small groups in readiness for kindergarten.

We offer a fun, challenging and hands-on curriculum for 3-5 year olds. One of our major goals is for our preschoolers to experience a happy, secure and positive attitude while in our program, and provide a firm first step in each student's educational journey.

### ***WHAT DO WE DO IN PRESCHOOL ?***

***Religion*** is an integral part of our Blessed Sacrament Preschool Program. We discuss God's gift of people, belonging to a group and loving and helping one another. Our religion program offers a sound foundation upon which to build our relationship with God.

***Circle time*** is a group gathering at the start of the day designed to share ideas. Circle activities are designed to stimulate youngsters' thinking, enrich their social skills and expand their attention spans.

***Gross motor activities*** give children the opportunity to use their muscles - as well as their imaginations - as they engage in fun, healthy exercises, such as running, jumping, ball handling and games!

***Fine motor activities*** help improve small muscle development and eye-hand coordination. Some common skill builders include working with puzzles, pencils, brushes, crayons and scissors. Letter, word and name printing is also encouraged during this time.

***Literacy activities*** provide a fun way to teach alphabet knowledge, phonological/ phonemic awareness and print awareness.

***Math activities*** include numeral recognition, basic math concepts such as amount, sequence, patterns, graphing and simple addition equations. We encourage problem solving and critical thinking skills with our activities in this area.

## Pertinent Social Information on Child

"History of Child"

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Brothers: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Sisters: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

### Preschool Child Information

Parent/Guardians Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_



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## Supply List

**Full size backpack**

**1 folder**

**Lunchbox**

**Small blanket ( no larger than 46"x60")**

**Bag with extra set of clothing. ( pants, shirt, underwear and socks)**

**1 box facial tissues**

**1 container of disinfecting wipes**

**1 bottle hand sanitizer ( 10 oz.)**

**1 paper towel roll**

**1 box of crayons**

**4 Elmer's glue sticks**

**1 box of markers**

**1 water color paint set**

**1 box colored pencils**

**Plastic container to hold art supplies**

**PLEASE LABEL ALL YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS**

**THANK YOU!**

