



Nursery and Pre-Kindergarten

Nursery

The Nursery Program provides a comforting and joyful environment to help your child ease into his or her first school experience. The program strives to provide a positive experience with school and God's world. It creates an atmosphere conducive to encouraging socialization, developing motor skills and facilitating learning through discovery. Through a variety of activities the children will grow socially, spiritually and academically.

Pre-Kindergarten

The Pre-Kindergarten Program is designed for Kindergarten readiness. It continues to build upon the skills developed in our Nursery Program. It provides an awareness of God's love as experienced in family and school. It also provides a joyful environment that allows for the development of a positive self-image. This program uses a thematic approach to learning through socialization, academics and various fine motor activities.

IMPORTANT NOTES TO REMEMBER

- **Full Day Nursery and Pre-Kindergarten** children are to bring a snack, lunch and 2 drinks to school each day. They may also purchase milk for the year and lunch daily from the school lunch program. The snack and lunch are to be **packed in a lunch box**, clearly labeled with the child's name. Hot pretzels are available for purchase daily. A sports top bottle, spill proof cup or juice box is preferred. (No glass bottles of any kind). Please send a labeled washcloth to school each day inside your child's lunch box to be used for a placemat.

Note: Half day Nursery students do not need to bring lunch to school. Children attending after-care should have an extra snack to eat.

- Please dress your child appropriately for school. Children are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes and sneakers for outdoor play. No flip flops are permitted. In the event your child has an accident in school, a change of clothing, including socks and shoes, is necessary. All clothing should be labeled and kept in your child's backpack in a ziploc bag. Please change clothing according to the season.

Parents of full day students are required to purchase a rest mat from the school for their child.



Items Supplied by School
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- 2 boxes of 8 large crayons
- 3 large glue sticks
- Backpack (No Wheels)
- Art smock (T-shirt)
- Placemat (wash cloth or linen napkin)
- Lunch box (for daily snack or lunch)
- A change of clothing (labeled and kept in backpack each day)
- Tissues (1 box)
- Paper towels (2 rolls)
- Baby wipes (2 pkgs.)

Items supplied by parents should be kept in good order and replenished as needed

NURSERY and PRE-KINDERGARTEN ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PARKING PROCEDURES:

PARKING: Pre-Kindergarten parents are asked to park in the back parking lot. Entrance to this area can be accessed by driving down Harrison Avenue and then turning right into the parking area behind the white building. Nursery parents are asked to park in the church parking lot.

Please park in marked stalls only. Refusal to adhere to parking procedure may result in a dangerous situation for students.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL: All Nursery parents are asked to bring their children to the door of the school behind the church located across from the ramp. All Pre-Kindergarten parents are asked to bring their children to the side door of the school located next to the school playground.

