



PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

January 24, 2025

Dear Preschool Families,

This week the Sunflower teachers introduced the letter li and Arctic animals. The children drew a picture beginning with the letter of the week in their alphabet workbook. On Wednesday, the class ice painted with blue, turquoise and white paint on construction paper and made an igloo. They ended the week making a polar bear by gluing cotton balls on a cutout.

The Buzzy Bee teachers introduced letter "Uu", number 14 and Transportation. The children practiced tracing & writing the letter and number. They made a letter collage. The teachers talked about the different transportation vehicles. (cars, trucks, garbage and dump trucks, etc..)

Parents, if you arrive after 8:15 am, please ring the doorbell and a teacher will open the door. We have noticed that after the door is locked at 8:15 am, the door has been left partially open when parents leave the building. Due to the safety of the children and staff, we ask that you please shut the door as you leave the building.

Gesell Assessment for Buzzy Bees: I have completed the second week of Gesell assessments. The Parent Questionnaires that were sent home are now due! Please let us know if your child will not be returning to Nazareth, however, if your child will be attending Kindergarten here at Nazareth, they **MUST** be assessed. I will administer the assessment in the morning during the school day. The only preparation your child needs is to get plenty of rest and eat a well-balanced breakfast. You will receive a letter regarding your child's assessment the day of your Parent-Teacher conference.

PRESCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERNCES

The Parent-Teacher Conference schedules will be on the sign-in sheet on Monday, January 27. It is important that you sign-up to meet with your child's teacher. We will have morning and afternoon appointments. If the scheduled days don't work for you, please talk to your child's teacher.

NAZARETH NIGHT

As the Nazareth Night Committee is preparing for our Annual Auction Dinner Dance, we want to thank the parents that signed up to volunteer and help with the Sunflower & Buzzy Bee class projects! We greatly appreciate it!

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week will be the week of January 27 – January 31. We will follow the same schedule as the upper grades. The preschool special activities are:

Monday, January 27- Spirit Day (wear Turkey Trot or Spirit shirt)

Tuesday, January 28- Pajama & Movie Day (No slippers)

Wednesday, January 29- Teddy Bear Picnic Day (bring a teddy bear)

Thursday, January 30- Special Craft Day

Friday, January 31- Grandparents Day (schedule on the last page of newsletter)

Grandparents are invited to come on Friday, January 31 and visit their grandchild's classroom and make a special craft.

PARENT VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

Due to the health and safety of the children and staff, State Licensing requires that all volunteers submit required immunizations. Parents, anytime you sign-up to volunteer or be present in any of the preschool events, you **MUST** be sure that you have turned in a copy of your current TB test, Tdap, MMR, flu shot and Covid card. You must also complete the CMG

Connect training that you may find on our school website. The fee for the training is \$25.00. Please fill out the Statement of Good Health form too. We want to thank all of the parents who have submitted the required immunizations.

NAZARETH SCHOOL PARENT HANDBOOK (Preschool – Grade Eight)

Please see the attached link to our Nazareth School Family Handbook. To view and read the Family Handbook digitally please go on the school website and click on the following link:

[Nazareth School Family Handbook](#)

After reviewing the handbook, we ask you to please digitally sign the Parent/Guardian and student-acknowledgments via the link below:

[Family Handbook Acknowledgment Form](#)

SIGN-IN & OUT

Parents, please sign in and out as you enter the building. Full signature **NO** initials! This is a State Licensing Regulation. Just a reminder: When you sign your child out, your child is no longer under our care and you **MUST** take your child with you.

SNACKS

I want to thank the families who brought muffins, veggies and fruit. We greatly appreciate all your help. Muffins (Wilson & Way), veggies (Tran & Way) and fruit (). Remember to keep track of your service hours and save your receipts to attach to your Service Hour sheet and return in your white envelope. Snacks **MUST** be store bought/prepackaged. If you sign -up for your child's class, please make sure that the snack is enough for both classes.

PRESCHOOL OPERATING HOURS

The preschool operating hours are 7:00am to 6:00pm. The main entrance door will be open from 7:00am to 8:15am for drop off. We ask that you please arrive on time. If you arrive after 8:15am, please ring the doorbell and a preschool staff member will come to the door as soon as we are able to. In the afternoon for pick-up, the door will be open from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Parents, please keep in mind that if you arrive late, it may take a few minutes to get to the door as teachers are taking their morning breaks. If you are picking up early, please pick up at 12:30 pm, as this is also a time when it may take a few minutes to come to the door, as teachers are taking their lunch breaks.

AFTERCARE

We provide aftercare from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm (\$4.50 per hour). Aftercare pick-up is on the Northeast side of the preschool building (Sunflower Playground or Preschool Aftercare room). We lock the main entrance door promptly at 4:00 pm and transition the children to aftercare.

DROP OFF & PICK-UP ROUTE

We want to remind you that our drop off and pick up route is a **ONE WAY ONLY!** You **MUST** drive up Nazareth Drive off of San Diego Mission Road. You may park in the parking lot to your right or pull up front to the main entrance roundabout in front of the St. Joseph's building. **Please be sure to sign your child in and walk them to class.** After drop off or pick up, you **MUST** merge and continue through the school road and drive out onto Rancho Mission Road. You may **NOT** exit back down Nazareth Drive!

During pick up, if you do not have an upper grade school student, you may merge into the exit lane to your left and drive towards the parking lot and between the signs to exit. You do not have to wait in line.

If you have a preschooler and an upper grade school student, please drop off preschooler first and then upper grade student. If you exit through the door next to the Sunflower classroom, you may **NOT** come back in through that door. You **MUST** go around the building.

Our preschool main entrance and exit door is located on the SW side of the St. Joseph building.

STAY HOME IF YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS:

Please contact Nazareth Preschool at 619-641-7954 or Nazareth School office at 619-641-7987. You may also email us at preschooldir@nazarethschool.org or office@nazarethschool.org

We must continue to follow the K-12 & Childcare Guide for Covid-19 (August 1, 2024)

It is very important that you call and report your child's absence. Please test your child and complete the Attestation Form that you are able to obtain from us. You MUST test your child twice before they are able to return. The first test is done when child has symptoms and the second test is 12-24 hours after first test. Your child may return when they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication AND other non-fever symptoms are mild and improving.

Parents, please keep your child home if she/he is sick and presenting any of the following Covid-19 symptoms:

- Fever with or without chills
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Nasal Congestion
- Sore Throat
- Headache
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Fatigue
- New loss of taste or smell
- Muscle or body aches
- Poor feeding or poor appetite
- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have Covid-19

If your child presents any of the symptoms stated above during school time, we will have to send your child home. Please keep in mind that we continue to follow the school protocols to keep children and staff safe.

If your child has allergies, please be sure to bring in a doctor's note, otherwise we will send your child home.

Please remember to return your family envelope by Thursday each week. Place it in your child's file folder.

“Think of the Wonders of God” (Job 37:14)

Have a blessed weekend!

Important Dates to Remember:

Jan. 27 – 31- Catholic Schools Week (Preschool activities listed above)

Jan. 31- Grandparents Day / Half Day / Close At Noon / No Aftercare

Feb. 7 – Half Day / Preschool will close at noon / No Aftercare

Feb. 11-14 – Sunflower Parent-Teacher Conferences

Feb. 14- Valentine's Day

Feb. 17- Presidents' Day Holiday / No School

Feb. 18-21 – Buzzy Bee Parent-Teacher Conferences

God Bless,

Georgina Barragan

Nazareth Preschool Director



Grandparents Day

Friday, January 31, 2025

Preschool Schedule for the Day

8:15 am- Mass at St. Francis Chapel

(preschool does not attend Mass, however you may take your grandchild.
Please let the teachers know.)

9:30-10:00- Reception in Courtyard)

(Grandparents only)

10:00-10:50- Visit classroom (Preschool)

11:00-11:55- School Performance (Auditorium)

Noon Dismissal