

# **PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

May 9, 2025

Dear Preschool Families,

This week was full of celebrations!

We began our week celebrating our wonderful and fabulous teachers! I would like to thank Mrs. McDowell, Mrs. Mahler, Ms. Fitts and Mrs. Sebring for all of their hard work and dedication-Thank you for making Nazareth Preschool a fun, loving and caring environment.

The Sunflower teachers began the week introducing letter Rr. Each child worked on their letter workbook. They practiced tracing and writing the upper and lower-case letter and drew a picture of something that begins with the letter Rr. The children made a rainbow by tearing colored construction paper strips. They ended the week making cards for the Nazareth House seniors.

The Buzzy Bee teachers reviewed letters and numbers. The journal title for this week was "I love my mom because....". During geography the teachers introduced the country of Mexico. The children colored the Mexican flag. They continue to explore the life cycle of the butterfly.

On Monday, each class received a container with five caterpillars. The children will experience the Life Cycle of the Butterfly live in their classroom. We are excited!

We celebrated our wonderful preschool Mom's on Wednesday! We hosted our Annual Mother's Day Tea and served hot tea, juice and cookies. It was great to see the children share a special time with mom and give them the gifts/cards that they made.

On Thursday, we gathered in the music room to witness the sacred unveiling of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. This was a wonderful religious and spiritual experience watching together the first American Pope in history.

### NAZARETH NIGHT

It was great seeing many parents at Nazareth Night. Thank you for all of your support!

#### PRESCHOOL FATHER'S DAY WORKSHOP

Be sure to save the date! The preschool Father's Day Workshop will be on Wednesday, June 4, in the music room from 7:00 am to 9:00 am.

#### PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

We have limited spots available! You may register through the school website. You will also find the link for the enrollment packet. Children must be 3 years old through incoming kindergarten and fully potty trained to attend. Please be sure to turn in enrollment packet and immunization record by June 10, 2025. If your child's file is incomplete, your child will NOT be able to start summer camp.

### 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 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: <u>Nazareth School Family Handbook</u>

After reviewing the handbook, we ask you to please digitally sign the Parent/Guardian and studentacknowledgments 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 (Quach, Geissler, Basore & Way), veggies (Quach) and fruit (Tran & Olla).

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. Our preschool main entrance door is locked all day. You MUST ring the doorbell to come into the building during drop off and pick up. Each classroom has a monitor and we are able to see and communicate with parents. Once we click the button to let you in, you have about 5 seconds to pull and open the door.

## 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).

## **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:

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

## 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.

Have a blessed & restful three-day weekend with your families.

Wishing you a Happy Mother's Day!

# Important Dates to Remember:

May 12- Local Holiday / No School

May 14- Senior visit to Nazareth House

- May 15- Visit the Grotto at 9:30am
- May 26- Memorial Day Holiday / No School

God Bless,

Georgina Barragan Nazareth Preschool Director