

Miss Abel's Kindergarten Newsletter

Monday 9/30	Tuesday 10/1	Wednesday 10/2	Thursday 10/3	Friday 10/4
Gym (tennis Shoes) *Last day for shorts*	Art Spanish	Gym (tennis shoes) Atrium Church Music	Parent Day Mass @ 9:15 Library	Blessing of Pets (11:10am) Music (Miss Abel out in the afternoon)



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is so hard to believe that we are starting the month of October! The start of the school year has flown by and your child has already learned so much! Just a reminder that starting **Tuesday, October 1st** the students are no longer allowed to wear shorts and capris. The weather will be getting cooler so please make sure to send your child to school with a light jacket as we will be taking them outside as much as possible! Please make sure that your child can zip/button their coat on their own. This was a skill that was introduced in our 3 year-old preschool program. **Your child will not be allowed to go recess until their coat is zipped/buttoned.** Shoe tying is another important kindergarten skill. Please make sure you are practicing shoe tying at home. After Christmas, I will no longer be tying shoes. Your child will need to tie their own shoes or find a friend. Shoes must be worn with socks or tights.

****TOMORROW** is the last Friday of the month, so that means a **JEANS DAY!** As always, your child is allowed to wear a NCS/St. Paul shirt or uniform shirt with their jeans. This month the PTO is also doing a fundraiser; for \$1 your child can wear a superhero shirt (no costumes please☺).

We are still in need of lunch/recess volunteers on **Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays!** Having an extra set of hands is always helpful for the staff members on duty! Even if you are only able to help a few times a month, we greatly appreciate it! Please let me know if you are interested and available to help. Thank you in advance!



Friday, October 4th is Blessing of the Pets at 11:10am. If you are able to join us, we ask that you meet your child in grass area between the church and school. If you are bringing a pet, please bring him/her in a cage or on a leash. All animals must come to school with an adult at this time since we don't have room in the classroom for all of the animals! If your child does not have a pet, encourage them to bring a picture or a stuffed animals to be blessed by Father. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the gym.



School picture day is **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH!** Order forms have been sent home. If you choose to order pictures, please fill out the form and return it to school. Even if you choose not to order pictures, your child's picture

will still be taken so they appear in the class photo. You may return the forms now and I will hold onto them so they are ready to go for the photographers. Students may dress up on this day for pictures!



In the hallway past Miss Nardecchia's lockers is a bookshelf on the left hand side sponsored by The United Fund. These books are there to be borrowed, taken, or gifted. If you have gently used books at home you have no use for you may add them to this shelf for others to take from. If you are looking for some new books for home, you can take from this shelf.



Since we have now completed one full month of kindergarten, just a reminder for you and your child to say your goodbyes at the sidewalk. While we know it is difficult to part ways in the morning, having your child walk into the school and to their classroom by themselves is truly building their independence. It helps them set the tone for the day by feeling accomplished when they walk to their classroom and take out their belongings on their own! Thank you for your understanding!

If there is ever a day when your child is sick, please be sure to either call the office by 9am or contact me via email (mabel@ncsmail.org) or Bloomz. Please remember that your child must be fever/illness/symptom free for 24 hours before they are able to return to school—this helps in preventing the spread of germs!

I am very proud of the students for doing their homework and bringing it back daily. One thing that I ask is when doing homework, please make sure that your child is using a pencil. This is something that we emphasize in school as we use pencils for writing and not crayons. Since they are learning proper letter formation, it is much easier to use a pencil than a crayon. If you find that your child is having trouble with their name or an answer, please use a yellow highlighter and allow your child to trace it. Thank you for your help!

Please join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word at St. Mary! We will resume on October 6th, and meet every Sunday during the 10:30 am mass. Children's Liturgy of the Word is designed for preschool through second grade, and is instructed by NCS parents, alumni, and students. It is such a wonderful way to share God's word with our children. We hope to see you there!

Attached to the newsletter you will find information about PTO from our PTO president, Jennifer Ott. We would love for you be part of of PTO and help in planning and carrying out the fun events for the upcoming year! There is a meeting once a month (second Wednesday of the month) here at the ECC!

Thank you!
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