

A teal backpack is shown against a light-colored wooden plank background. The backpack is open, revealing a red spiral notebook, a stack of white papers, and a pencil case containing several colored pencils. A brown diamond-shaped patch with two vertical lines is visible on the front of the backpack. The text "September Newsletter" is overlaid in white on the right side of the image.

September Newsletter

St. Jude Preschool



A Note From The Director

- Well, we are three weeks in to the start of school and things have been pretty smooth around here. We hope that your kiddos and families have adjusted to their new schedules and routines and are enjoying school.
 - The teachers and staff at St. Jude Preschool are totally committed to fostering a love of learning as well as the social and emotional growth of all our students.
 - Each month in the monthly newsletter, I will include a parent resource article on different child development topics. This month's topic is Reading Readiness. Early literacy is about way more than just reading books. Please take a few moments to look over the resource and find ways to help promote your child's literacy skills at all developmental ages. <https://search.app/NEpToJQaZNkCGWLL8>
 - Please do not hesitate to reach out to me either through message on class dojo or by email at mrozm@mysjs.com
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Mrs. Katherine's Class

- Our youngest little Saints have adjusted well and are settling in to their classroom routine. PK3 is all about learning "how to do school." We work on learning how to be a friend how to be a good student by listening to the teacher, taking turns, sharing, etc. There are so many social skills taught at this age that will be lifelong skills needed to succeed in school.
- The class will begin learning the alphabet through songs and activities. They will also complete units about apples, farmer's markets, and dinosaurs.
- Mrs. Katherine can be reached through messages on Class Dojo or by email at kountzk@mysjs.com

Four- Year- Old Classes

- Mrs. Sue and Mrs. Bridget's classes are also settling in nicely. There are some exciting additions to PK4 this year with a writing readiness curriculum and a phonemic awareness program.
- In addition to those, the classes will be studying each letter of the alphabet with numbers and themed units. This month they will be learning letters Bb and bugs, Cc and colors, Dd and dinosaurs, and Ee and the wonderful children's book author Eric Carle.
- Teachers can always be reached through messages on Class Dojo or by email
- Mrs. Sue- gaudins@mysjs.com
- Mrs. Bridget- schoenlyb@mysjs.com

Important Reminders

- Thank you for all your patience as we navigate a new school year and get used to new routines. **Please be sure to be here for morning drop off by 8:30.** The teachers are starting their day by that time and its difficult for late arrivals. The doors will be locked at 8:30. Thank you for your promptness.
- Be sure that your child has an extra change of clothes to keep at school. If your child has an accident or uses the clothes for some reason, be sure to replenish the change of clothes that we used that day.
- Don't forget to send a snack and a water bottle every day. If you would like to donate some snacks to preschool, we try to keep extras on hand for those who may forget from time to time. We take snacks in individual serving packages (no cookies, or sweet treats, please). We will also take donations of plastic spoons.
- Children can bring one soft stuffed animal to sleep with at nap time. All other toys need to stay at home.
- Girls who wear dresses to school, please be sure they wear shorts under their dresses. We do lots of sitting on the floor and playing on the playground.
- Also, please be sure EVERYONE wears closed toed shoes and NO CROCS allowed.

Important Dates to Remember

- September 2- Labor Day : NO SCHOOL
- September 16-17- Vision Screenings (still time to turn in permission slips)
- September 20- Faculty Retreat : NO SCHOOL
- September 27- St. Jude Golf Tournament click for registration/donation information <https://mysjs.ejoinme.org/sjgolf24>

