



STNS

September 2018 Newsletter



Faith, Family, Friends!

Welcome back! As we enter year 18 I marvel at how quickly our little friends and their families adjust to a new routine, setting, staff, and friends. As always we feel blessed that you have chosen us as the first stop on your child's learning journey. We are here to assist your whole family on this learning curve of early childhood. There is certainly no handbook for raising a child that encompasses the spiritual, social, emotional, cognitive, and physical growth that this job entails. That being said, we strive to provide a setting and experiences that allow for that growth as a family. Please do not hesitate to speak with your child's teacher or myself with any questions. We have years of experience as educators and as parents to guide you!

Each year we embrace a school wide mission. This year our mission was born out of a meeting that our staff had with our Pastor, Father Michael Santiago prior to the start of school. Father Santiago and our staff shared their individual goals for the year as well as for our school. Father Santiago shared how the three F's of Faith, Family, and Friends is a simple but tried and true way to live our lives! Each month we will incorporate a message on how our families can place Faith, Family, and Friends as a forefront in their daily lives.

Our first activity will be to work collaboratively to design a school prayer. I will be sending home a prayer input request for what your family would like to see in our prayer as well as student input in the classroom. The staff and I will compile the prayer that will be presented in October.

There are many exciting happenings planned for the upcoming year that I will share through our newsletter! Thank you again for joining us on this journey!

In God's Peace,
Miss Michele

Upcoming Dates!

*Monday, September 24th

9:30 a.m.

Fall Festival Meeting!

*Friday, September 28th 1:00 p.m.

Four year old field trip Rose's Orchard!

Info will be sent home soon!

*Friday, Oct. 5th 12-3

Volunteer Training

*Thursday, Oct. 11th 9-12

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St. Therese Nursery School Playgroup!

If you have a younger sibling or have friends with children ages two through five that do not attend an early childhood program, we offer a playgroup twice a month here at STNS. Under the direction of Miss Michele and a teacher assistant, we walk through the routine of an early childhood classroom with a focus on transitions, directions, and play interaction. If you are interested in registering for playgroup, a packet is attached to this email. Please feel free to see Miss Michele with any questions!

**Playgroup meets two Thursdays a month from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. October through May!*

Parent Helpers!

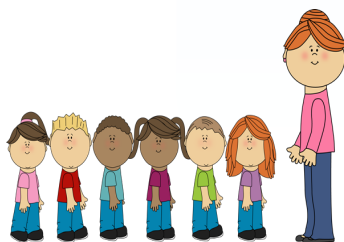
Each year we ask our families to help in a way that fits their time and talent! You may be able to help on a committee, in a classroom, for a school event, or even something at home! Everyone has a talent to share! In the past we have had a mom who was an x ray technician share x rays, a nurse share about working at the hospital, a dad share his tow truck, a tile layer brought in broken tile pieces to make mosaic art, and even a mom who was in a German dancing troop! One grandmother came in and cooked with the students!

Please note that if you sign up to help in the classroom for a holiday event, we try to be equitable by splitting up the holidays between parents. For example, if you are chosen as a parent helper for Halloween, another set of parents will help with Valentine's Day.

**New this year! Kindness Committee*

I am excited to announce that we will establish a committee to help with our service projects both in and out of school!

Please return the forms sent home regarding this by the end of September

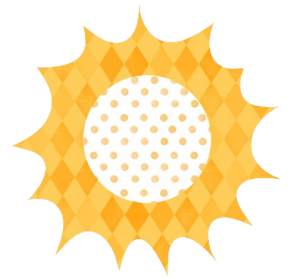


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Watch us grow with our Facebook posts on school happenings! All pictures of children are of back of heads, hands, or feet! This is another great way to talk about what's happening in our classrooms!

**Write a Recommendation on us while you are there!*

New this year! Required Volunteer Training!



All parents who visit our classroom must complete a Virtus training called "Protecting God's Children" per Archdiocesan regulations. This is a brief training for all employees and volunteers within the Archdiocese to protect our youth. I will also use this opportunity to overview our parent volunteer responsibilities. Coffee "and" will be provided! Thank you for your assistance and please see me with any questions!

Virtus Training Dates:

Friday, October 5th 12-3 p.m.

Thursday, October 11th 9-12 a.m.

*All meetings will be held in the meeting room at the parish center.



School pictures by David Frost Photography will be in October! Info arriving soon! They will be in for Thanksgiving!

STNS Fall Festival

For the past few years we have been holding a fall festival on the back lawn of the school on Saturday, October 27th from 11-3. This event has transformed into quite a day for all ages! We have a hayride, pumpkin patch, bouncy house, food vendor, apple and pumpkin donuts, and much more! New this year will be community organizations related to our school and parish community! This is an enormous task that can not be done without help from our families!

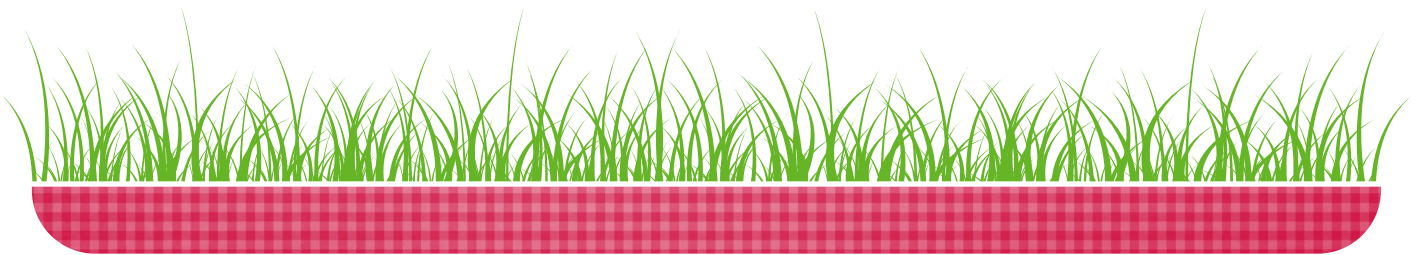
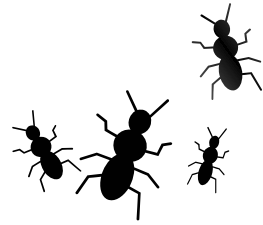
If you are interested in helping, please attend the first planning meeting on:

Monday, Sept. 24th!

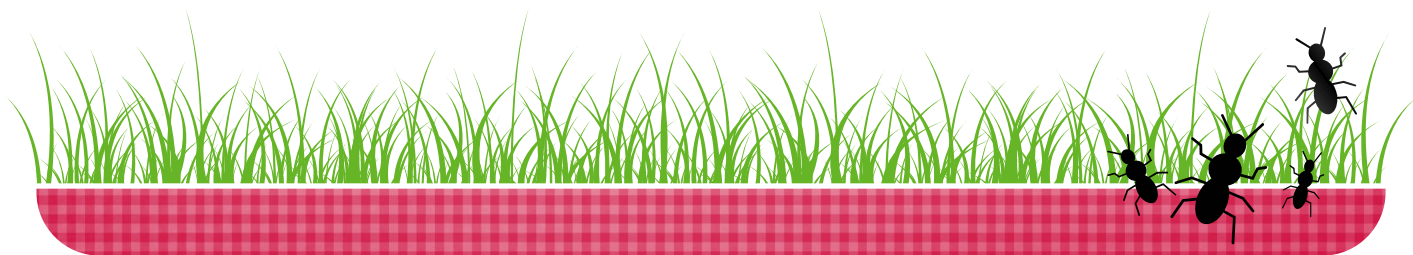
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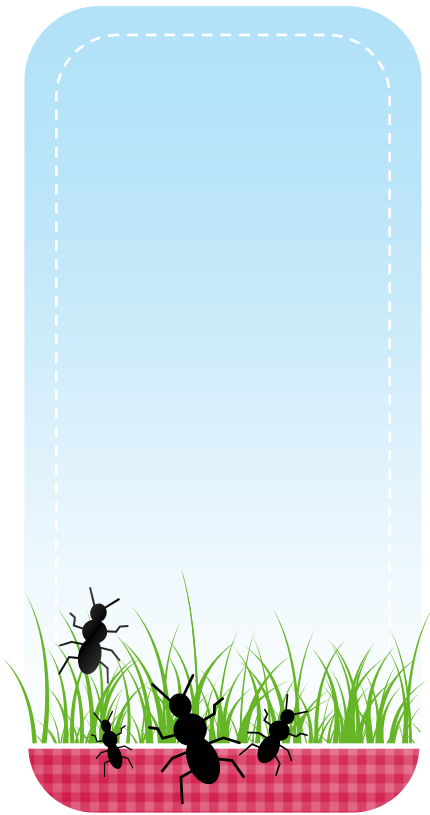
*If you can't attend the meeting but would like to help even on the day of, please let me know!!!!!!





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