

Dear PreK Parents,

We are so happy to have your child in our PreK classes for the 2021-2022 school year at St. Pius X Catholic School. At St. Pius X Catholic School we take great pride in developing a PreK program that will cultivate the talents of your child, help them build academic skills in literacy and math, encourage discovery in the areas of science and technology, and foster growth in social and emotional skills through small group lessons and both directed and exploratory center time.

This year we will use the following resources within our PreK classrooms:

- My Big World from Scholastic
- Kickstart Kindergarten from Writing Without Tears
- Superkids Happily Ever After from Zaner Bloser
- Seeds from Pflaum

Your child will also participate in 3 benchmark assessments during the school year as follows:

- September - 1st benchmark assessment
- January - 2nd benchmark assessment
- March/April - 3rd benchmark assessment (Kindergarten Screening)

You will have a chance to sit down and discuss your child's progress with the teacher in November at parent-teacher conferences. In November and June, you will receive a PreK report card. At any of these intervals, you are always welcome to schedule a conference with your teacher to discuss development concerns and readiness for Kindergarten. The teacher will keep a portfolio of work samples that show your child's progressive development that can be referred to at any time. On a weekly basis you will receive work samples and communication from your classroom teacher so that you can see the progress of your child and learn about events happening in the classroom.

This year your child will take part in many extracurricular activities through P.E., art, music, Spanish, and library visits. We will also have enriching programs planned from The Greensboro Children's Museum, Creature Teachers, Pet Partners, PreK Chapel, STEM lesson, and visits from our guidance counselor. We hope to invite you into the classroom many times this year to share your family's unique cultural heritage, read aloud to the students, enjoy student performances, and support other enrichment programs.

Sincerely,

**Janet Logan, PreK Teacher**

**Kristen Kale, PreK Teacher**

**April Parker, Curriculum & Instruction**

