



## **Welcome to Prekindergarten at Saint Rose of Lima Catholic School!**

I am excited to have your child as a part of my class! Our classroom is full of fun activities, learning, and a lot of friend-making. Our motto tells you all you need to know: *If you are dirty at the end of the day, it means you had a good day!*

### **CLASSROOM GOALS/EXPECTATIONS**

Our goals start with building the foundation of faith by taking time to pray and learn about the Catholic faith. From a socialization standpoint, our goals include learning how to be a good friend, sharing with others, listening, and following directions. Our learning goals include identifying colors, shapes, and letters, as well as how to hold scissors, write their name, and much more.

### **RULES/GUIDELINES**

- Listen and follow directions
- Keep your hands and feet to yourself
- Be kind to others
- Raise your hand when you want to speak
- Have fun!

### **CLASSROOM COMMUNICATIONS**

#### ***Daily Folders***

Each student brings home a daily folder that contains completed art projects, activity sheets, important notes, and information.

#### ***Weekly Newsletter***

A newsletter is sent home via e-mail that gives a recap of the week, what we learned, and some of the fun activities we did. It also contains important information for parents about upcoming events or activities.

#### ***Redhawk Report***

Each family receives a weekly copy of "The Redhawk" that highlights important school news.

#### ***Behavior Issue Notifications***

If there are any behavioral issues during the day, it is communicated via e-mail. If additional details need to be discussed, an in-person meeting can be scheduled.

**SNACK**

We serve snack every day, where we teach skills such as proper table manners, self-help skills, and eating politely, to name a few. Periodically, families will be asked to contribute a snack for the class. I will send a note home when that time arrives.

**CELEBRATIONS**

If your child has a birthday during the school year, we will have a celebration where they are welcome to bring in a snack to share. If your child's birthday is in the summer, we will celebrate their half birthday.

**OTHER/EXPERIENCES:**

Every year, we have a Christmas and a Spring program where the children show off their singing skills. These two events are very popular and absolutely must-see performances!

We also participate in the Spirit Partners program where younger students are paired with older students. The children get together throughout the year to do special projects and activities together. It's a wonderful opportunity for the older students to participate in a mentoring role and for the younger students to interact with the "big kids".

Sincerely,

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