




Bible Story: Hannah's Prayer

Themes: *Harvesting/Thanksgiving, Fall and Pumpkins, Humility and Obedience, The Lord's Prayer, Hail Mary and Glory Be*

Dear Preschool Parents and Guardians,

The month of September had gone so fast, and it is delightful to see our preschoolers already transitioned in our classroom environment; we thank you for your support and cooperation. This month, we will promote grateful spirit in the hearts of little children in celebration of Thanksgiving Day. In time with this, we will also discuss about Harvesting and the real story of fall harvest festivities. Furthermore, in spite of all blessings and abundance that we received, we would want to instill in the minds of everyone, the values of humility and obedience to God. Moreover, we will also gain understanding on the significance of *The Lord's Prayer*, as well as the miracle that the prayer, *Hail Mary* brings to our lives, and *Glory Be*, as our special prayer in the Name of Three Divine Persons. These are powerful prayers that bring changes to the lives of everyone; likewise happened in the story, Hannah's Prayer  which we will further discuss in class.

We are looking forward for another great time of learning with your children this month.....

Field Trip

Our first field trip for this school year will be on OCTOBER 19, Thursday, from 9:15 to 11:30 am at Laity Pumpkin Patch, 21145 128 Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC V4R 2R9. Further notice will be sent later.

Dress Down Days

The Dress Down Days will be on OCTOBER 18 for Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes and OCTOBER 19 for Tuesday and Thursday classes with the theme, "Black and Orange Day," then, OCTOBER 31 for TTH classes and NOVEMBER 1 for MWF classes, which on these dates, preschool children are encouraged to "Dress Like a Saint" in the observance of All Saints' Day.

School Mass

Everyone is invited to attend the School Mass on OCTOBER 13 and 27 at 9:00 am. Please note that the Pre-kindergarten AM class will be accompanied by their teachers.

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic book orders for this month will be due on OCTOBER 13, Friday. Kindly hand-in your orders on or before the due date. Thank you for your support.

Preschool Uniform

It is greatly encouraged to dress the children in their complete school uniform when coming to school (preschool t-shirt and/or preschool hoodies) to ensure their safety. Thank you for your cooperation.

Weather Appropriate Outfits

As the weather is getting colder, we encourage everyone to dress appropriately. In the event that your child is wearing boots to school, kindly send them comfortable shoes to wear inside the classroom.

Recommended Preschool Shoes to Wear in School

Since our preschoolers are still developing their fine motor skills and still learning to tie shoelaces, may we request that your children be wearing Velcro shoes to avoid inconvenience or any injury in the classroom or while playing in the playground.

Preschool Playground

Our preschool playground is finally ready to use by children aged 2-5 years old. As per licensing regulation, we further advise the preschool children not to use the elementary school playground before, during or right after the preschool hours due to safety reasons, moreover, the playground area is closed from 2:50-3:30 pm for elementary school dismissal. However, beyond this given period of time will be your discretion as their parents or guardians.

Parking Lot

To avoid any inconvenience to other parents and school staff, *we strongly encouraged everyone to follow the parking lot procedures implemented by the school and therefore, park only in designated slots; kindly inhibit parking on numbered slots, as those are allotted for Holy Cross Regional High School staff.*

Healthy Snacks



St. Matthew's Preschool is in partnership with Fraser Health in promoting good health among children, thus, we greatly encourage everyone to bring healthy snacks in school (i.e. fruits, vegetables, crackers, yougart, and water instead of juice).

Letters and Numbers Focus



Recognition and Writing of Letters Tt, Hh, Ii, Ff
Recognition and Writing of Numbers 1-10



October 13 and 27 - School Mass
October 13 - Due Date for Scholastic Book Orders
October 18, 19, 31 and November 1 - Dress Down Days
October 19 - Field Trip at Laity Pumpkin Patch



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Sincerely,

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