

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church Preschool/MMO



September Newsletter



UPCOMING DATES

- 9/3 Early Release Day
12 noon dismissal
- 9/9 1st Preschool Gym
- 9/10 1st P.O.P.S. Meeting
In the library @ 9:15AM
- 9/10 Scholastic Book Orders
Due
- 9/22 Fall School Pictures
MMO and 2's
- 9/23 Fall School Pictures
3's and 4's

From the Director's Desk..

We have completed our first full week of school, and all the children are doing great! The children are getting used to their new surroundings and friends, and the tears are fewer and less frequent. We are having so much fun getting to know them!

To continue an easy transition, please remember to make drop-off time as quick as possible. We often find that it is easier for a child to separate with a short good-bye hug and kisses. It is also less disruptive and confusing to the children that have already been dropped off. They don't always understand why other parents are in the room when their parent has left. Tears are normal and we will do everything we can to make them feel loved and secure.

Please let myself or the teachers know if you have any specific concerns or questions about how your child is doing. My door is always open.

*In Christ,
Ms. Jill*



Did you know? September is National Potato Month, and 9/19 is "Talk Like A Pirate Day"?

For other silly, bizarre and unknown holidays and observances go to:

<http://www.brownielocks.com/month2.html>

Thanks!

A very heartfelt thank you to **Joel Kidd**, for his countless hours in designing, building and installing our new hall-way shelves. They are beautiful and exactly what our children needed!

Also, to **Jennifer Bell, Liz Kidd, Susan Griffis** and other parishioners for helping to paint the preschool over the summer. It looks fresh and inviting. Thank you!!

CHEESE!



SMILE!!! Fall school pictures will be on 9/22-23. Bring your child dressed for pictures, and include a change of clothes for afterwards if necessary. Information on packages will be sent home approximately 2 weeks after picture day. You'll be able to view proofs on line and share with family. A portion of you order will go back to the school; a simple way to support the school while capturing this precious age!

Fun Fact

Feeling thirsty? Stop by the Coke machine at the top of the stairs. All profits go directly to the preschool program.

P.O.P.S. BEGINS! (Parents Of Preschoolers)

St. Aidan's Preschool/MMO is beginning our 2nd year of P.O.P.S. (Parents of Preschoolers). This group helps plan teacher appreciation activities, help coordinate school-wide activities, organize community outreach initiatives and brainstorm ideas for fundraisers. Additionally, monthly meetings can also have speakers or topics that would be helpful to all parents. It's a great way to meet other preschool parents and connect to the school! **Join us for our 1st meeting on 9/10 at 9:15 in the Library.** Bring your ideas and enthusiasm!

Get involved

Parent's Pick

Each newsletter will include some encouraging words, inspirational poem, or general words of wisdom for parents and caregivers. Enjoy!

Nothing

When children come home at the end of the day,
the questions they're asked as they scurry to play
is, "Tell me what you did today?"

And the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay.
"Nothing. I did nothing today!"

Perhaps nothing means that I played with blocks,
or counted to ten, or sorted some rocks.

Maybe I painted a picture of red and blue
or heard a story of a mouse that flew.

Maybe I watched the gerbils eat today,
or went outside on the swings to play.

Maybe today was the very first time,
that my scissors followed a very straight line.

Maybe I lead a song from beginning to end,
or played with a special, brand new friend.

When you're in preschool
and your heart has wings,
"Nothing" can mean so many things!

JUST FOR LAUGHS

A four year old was at the pediatrician for a check up. As the doctor looked down her ears with an otoscope, he asked, "Do you think I'll find Big Bird in here?" The little girl stayed silent. Next, the doctor took a tongue depressor and looked down her throat. He asked, "Do you think I'll find the Cookie Monster down there?" Again, the little girl was silent. Then the doctor put a stethoscope to her chest. As he listened to her heart beat, he asked, "Do you think I'll hear Barney in there?" "Oh, no!" the little girl replied. "God is in my heart. Barney's on my underpants."



Take Note

We still have a 1 opening in our MMO class and 2 openings in our Pre-K Class. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please have him or her contact the school. Thank you.

SCHOLASTIC

This year we will be participating with the Scholastic Book Club. Through your support of this program we can acquire books and classroom tools for FREE! Look for more information coming home this week.

MUSIC MANIA



We held our 1st music special and it was a hit with the kids! Music combines 3 different aspects: singing, movement and instruments. We will be incorporating a variety throughout the year. Ask them to sing for you!

MEET OUR STAFF

Director
Jill Orban

Music
Giuliana Compiani

MMO Class
Cecilia Trueba
Jennifer Baum

3's Class
Kim Hamby
Jamie Maicon

2's Class
Liz Kidd
Betsy Moore

4's Class
Natalie Finkelstein
Dawn Bradford

Bookkeeper
Christine Montes

Mark—Chapter 10: 13-14 People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."