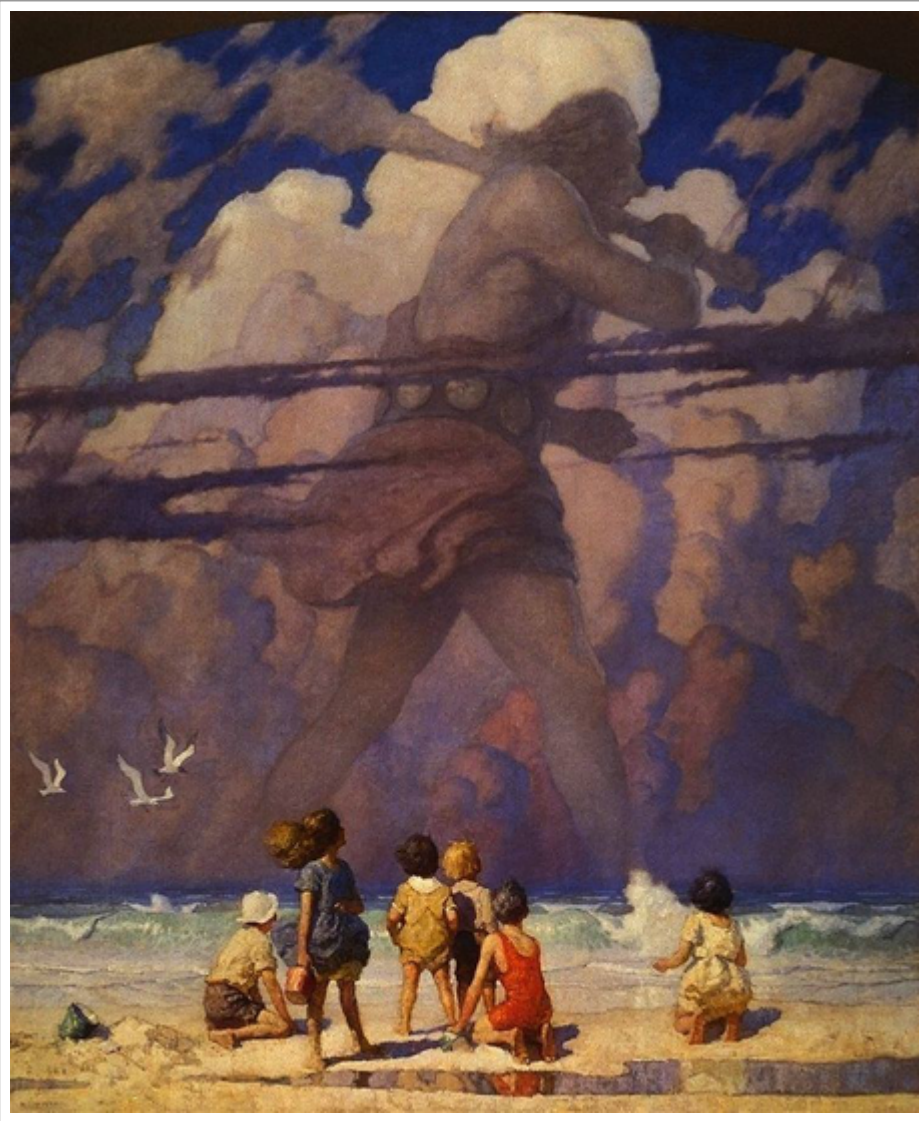


# St. John the Beloved Academy Pre-K

Summer Activities for Rising Pre-K students



## Welcome to Pre-K!

Dear Parents,

Below you will find a list of suggested activities and books for your child to enjoy this summer before entering Pre-K. These suggestions all touch upon topics that we will be exploring together this coming school year.



I look forward to seeing you all at our Parent Orientation on August 24th. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to reach out with questions - [dbalint@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:dbalint@stjohnacademy.org).

Blessings,

Deb Balint  
Pre-K Teacher  
Preschool Director

## Suggested Books for Pre-K



### Nursery Rhymes:

[Mother Goose Treasury](#) by Parragon Books

[The Real Mother Goose](#) by Blanche Fisher Wright

[Mary Engelbreit's Mother Goose: One Hundred Best Loved Verses](#) by Mary Engelbreit

### Folktales:

[The Gingerbread Boy](#) by Paul Galdone

[Five Minute Stories: Over 50 Tales & Fables](#) by Cottage Door Press

[Legend of the Teddy Bear](#) by Frank Murphy

### Virtues:



Be Kind by Pat Zietlow Miller and Jen Hill

Humble Heart: A Book of Virtues by Amy Myer Allen

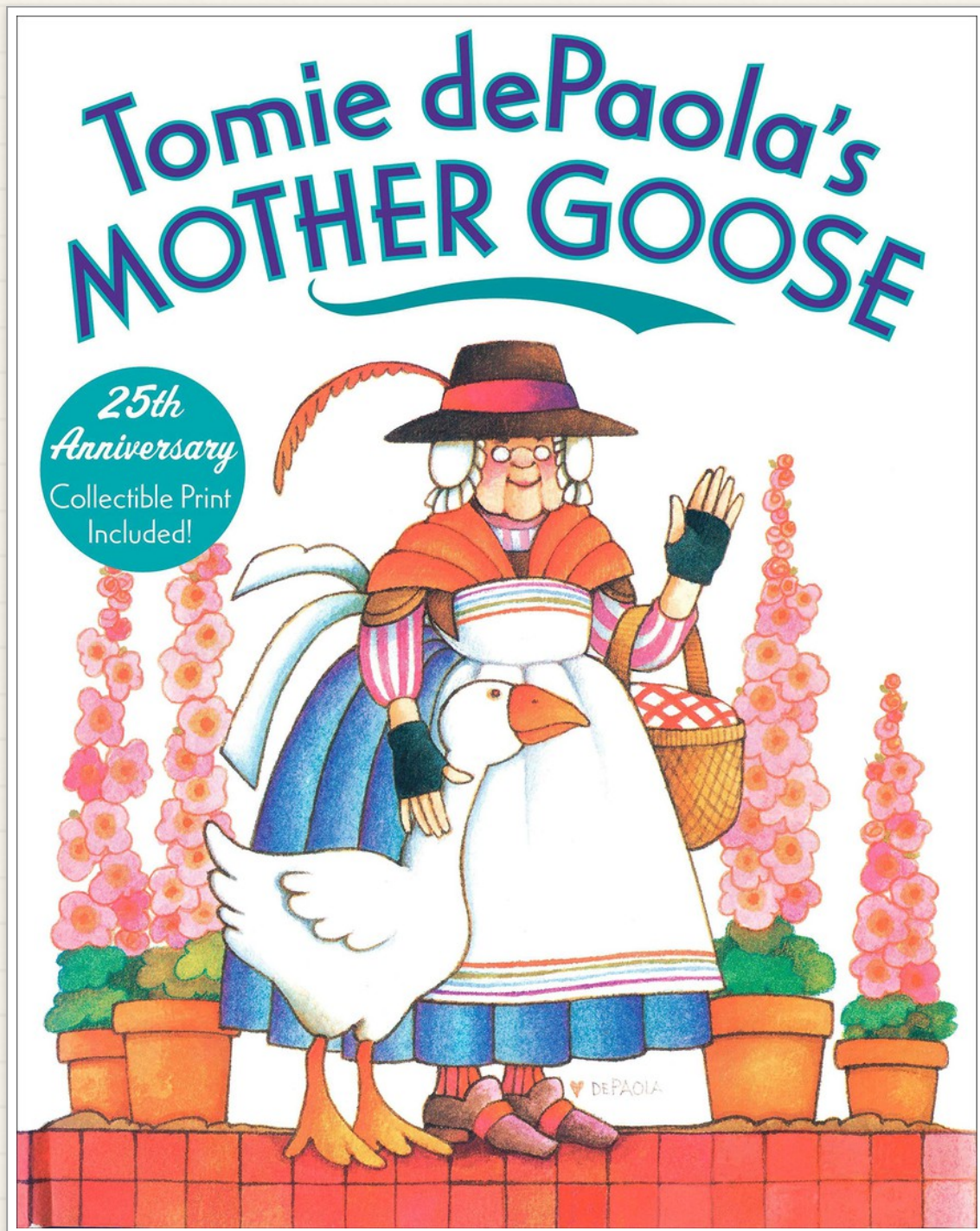
Little Critter Little Blessings Collection by Mercer Mayer

**Bible Stories:**

The Beginner's Bible Timeless Children's Stories by Zondervan

5 Minute Bible Stories by Good Books

Any books by Tomie dePaola, Eric Carle, AA Milne, or Dr. Seuss



Suggested Activities for Pre-K



### **Prayers to Practice:**

Our Father, Hail Mary, Grace Before Meals, Glory Be, and Guardian Angel Prayer

### **Self Help Skills:**

Practice working with zippers, buttons, and snaps to encourage independence when getting dressed.

Children can learn life skills and responsibility by helping: clear the dinner table, folding the laundry, and pulling weeds in the garden.

### **Develop a Love of Nature:**

Take a nature walk and explore the outdoors using your senses: what do you hear and smell? How do things (rocks, trees, flowers, etc) feel?

Go on a 'Bug Hunt' and/or a 'Bird Hunt' and see how many varieties of bugs you can find.

### **Develop a Love of Art:**

Encourage creativity with a variety of art projects: paint rocks, build and/or paint a birdhouse, color/draw. Coloring books are a great rainy day activity.

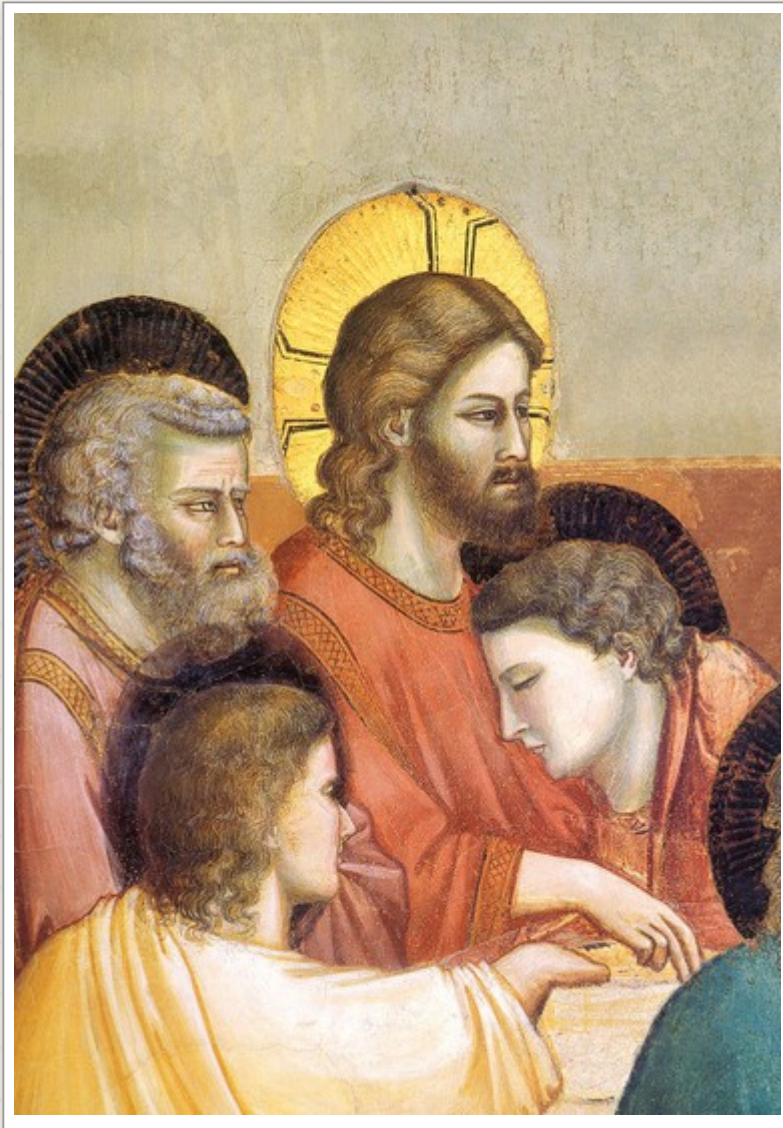
Recommended coloring books:

[Our Daily Bread For Kids Coloring/Activity Book](#) by Crystal Bowman and Teri McKinley

[Jesus Storybook Bible Coloring Book](#) by Sally Lloyd-Jones

**Practice doing jigsaw puzzles.**





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