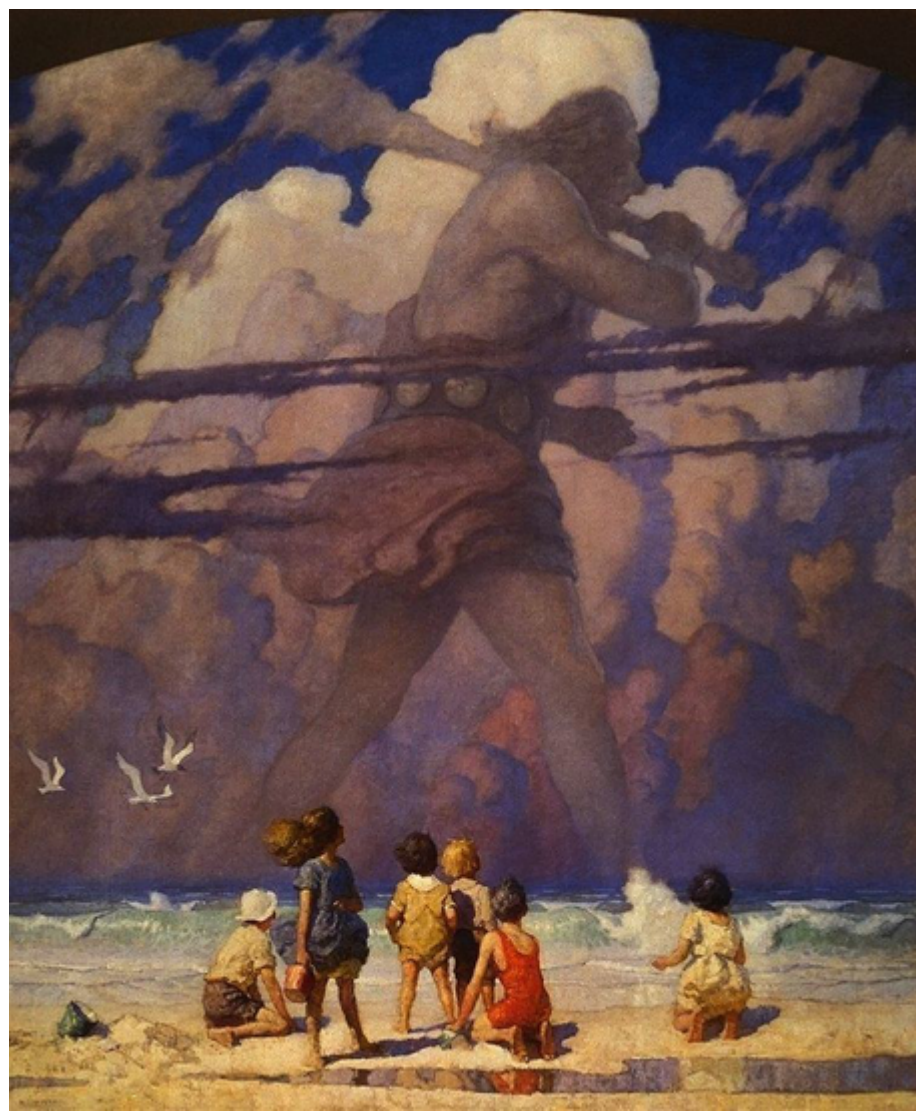


St. John the Beloved Academy Pre-K

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.

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

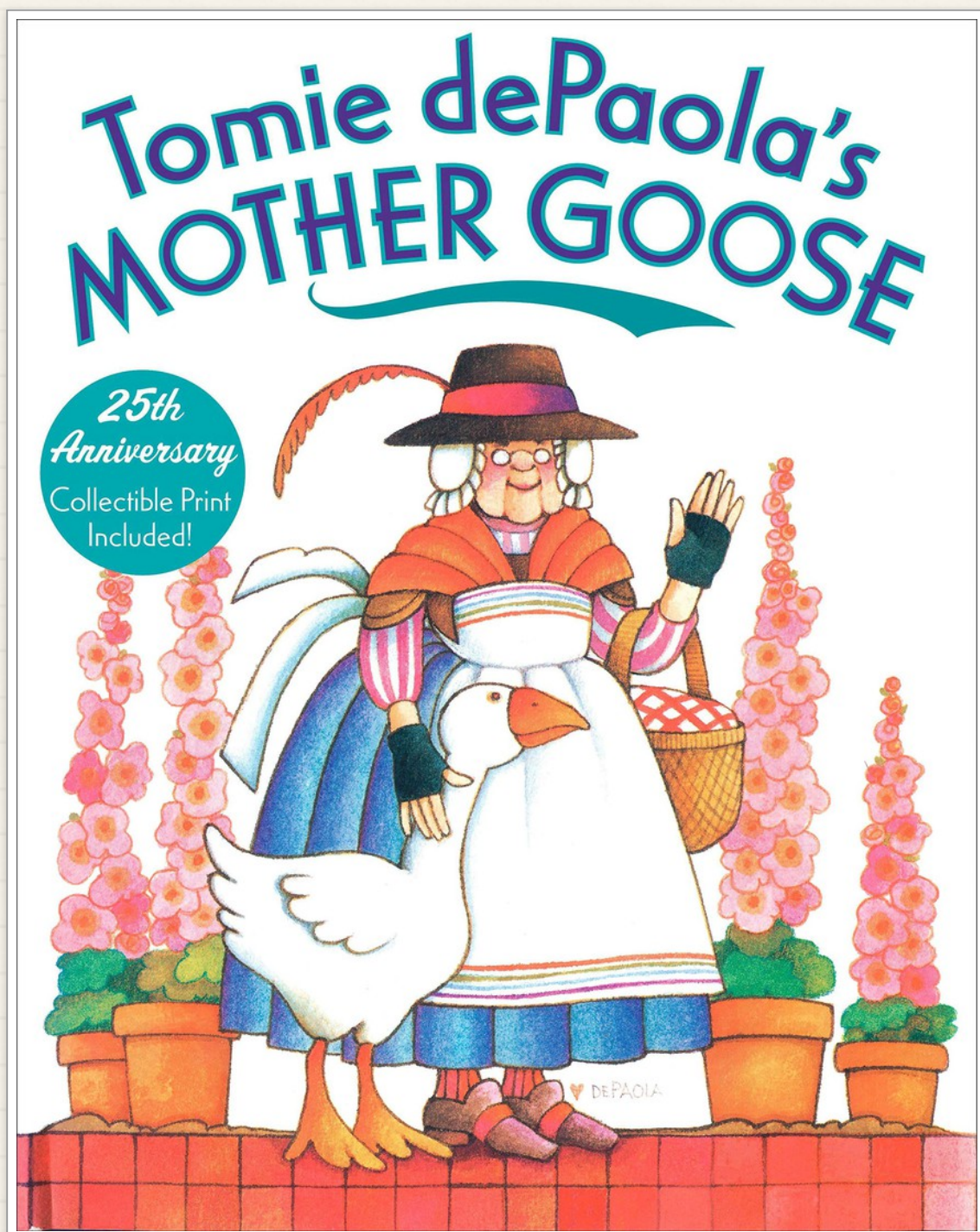
Little Critter Little Blessings Collection by Mercer Mayer

Bible Stories:

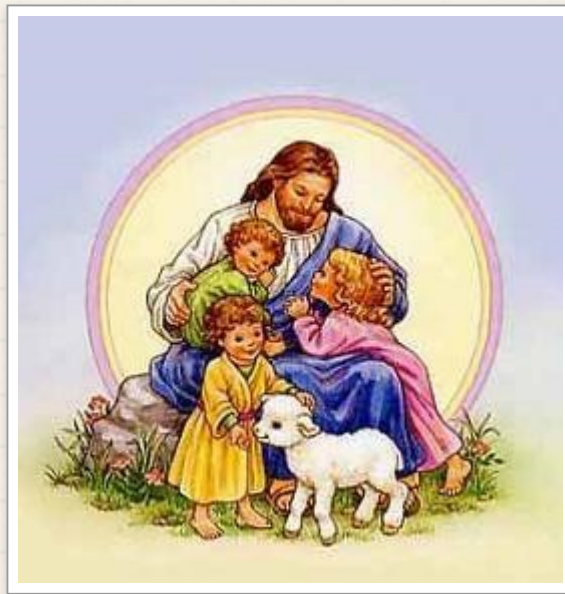
The Beginner's Bible Timeless Children's Stories by Zondervan

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:

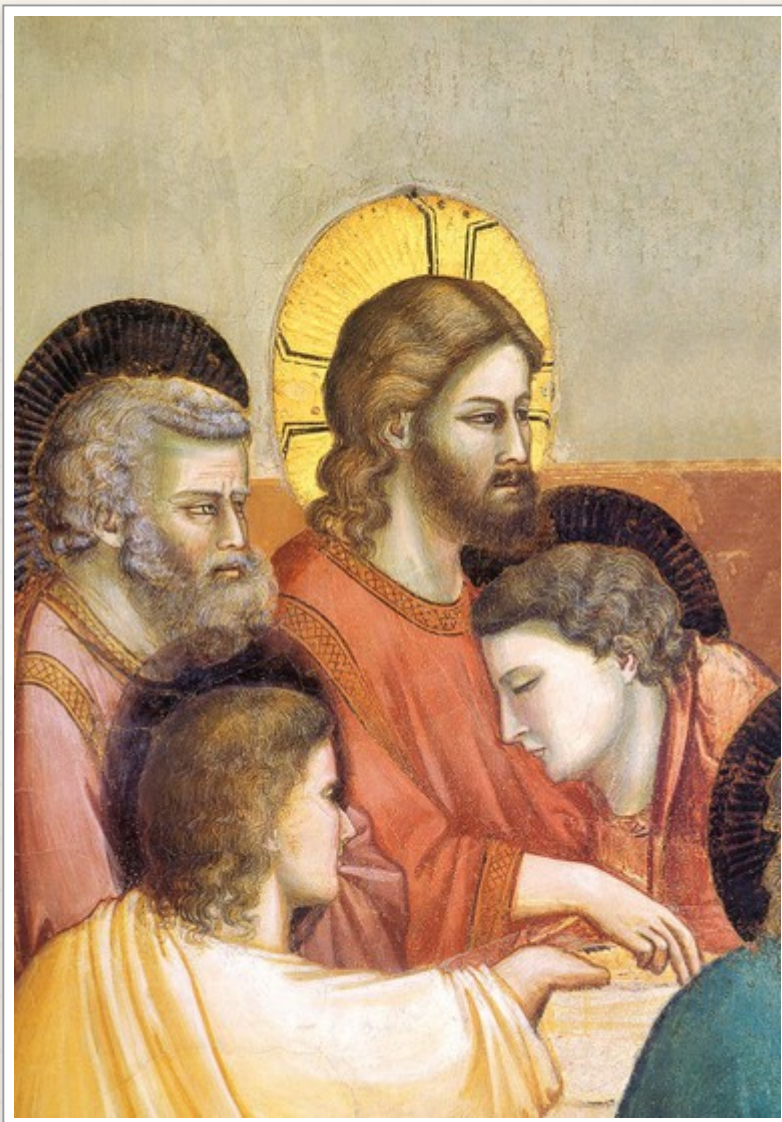
Encourage creativity with a variety of art projects: paint rocks, build and/or paint a birdhouse, color/draw. Coloring books are a great rainy day activity.

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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