

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.

Just a reminder, our schedule the first week of school is as follows:

Aug 22 - Ice Cream Meet and Greet from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

All families are invited to join us for our annual back to school "Ice Cream Meet & Greet".

Aug 23 -

Preschool & Pre-K students will be in the classroom for orientation for 1 hour with their parent(s). Students in grades K-8 will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

Aug 24 -

Preschool & Pre-K students will be at school in the classroom for 1 hour without their parent(s).

Aug 25 -

All students will come to school at the regular time and be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

I look forward to seeing you all at our Parent Orientation on August 23rd. More details on that event will be shared later in the summer. 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

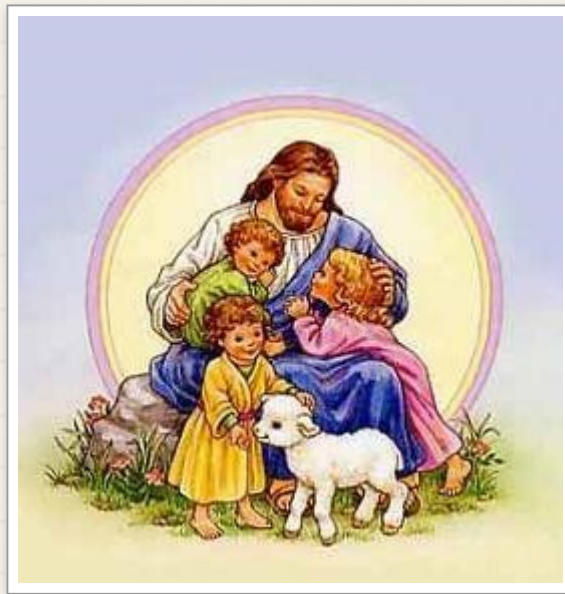
Tomie dePaola's MOTHER GOOSE

25th
Anniversary

Collectible Print
Included!



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:

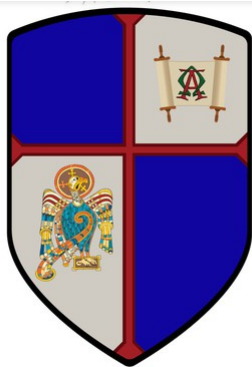
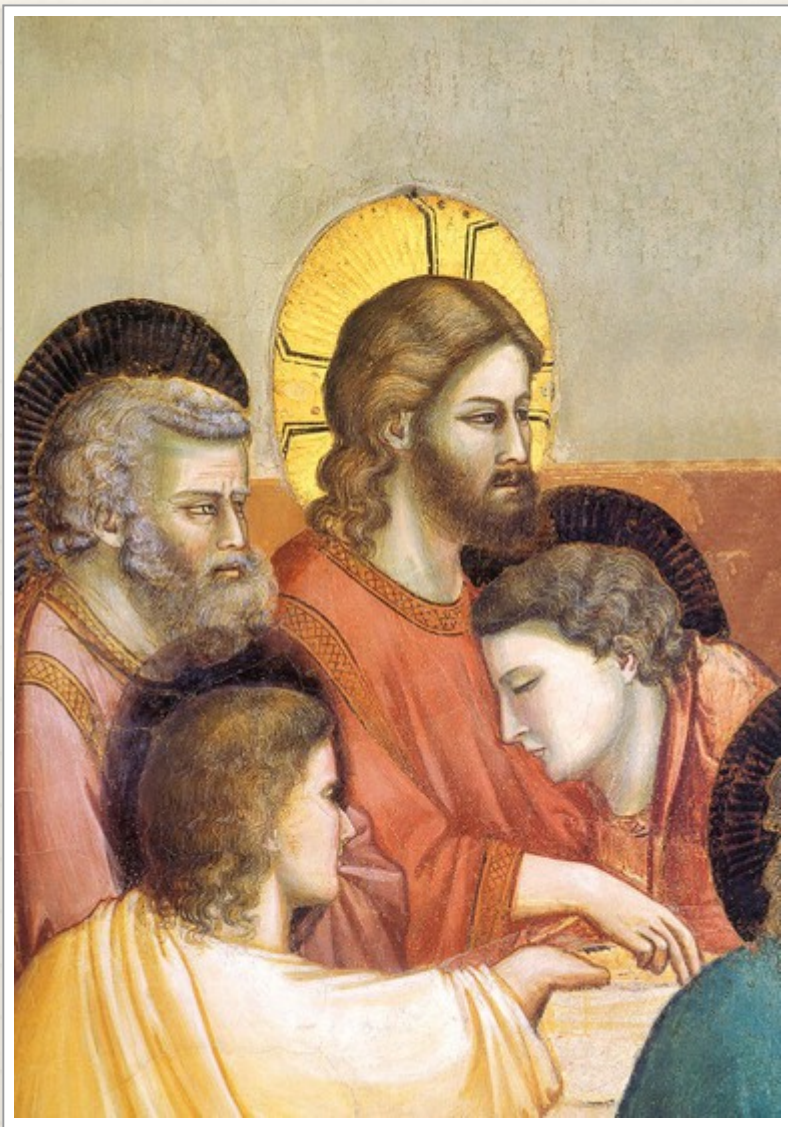
Encourage creativity with a variety of art projects: paint rocks, build and/or paint a birdhouse, color/draw. Coloring books are a great rainy day activity.

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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