

Our Lady of Sorrows Preschool Three Year Old Classes September 2017 Newsletter



Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows Preschool! We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. The time has come to start a new school year and we are excited to get things started. We pray that the year brings good health, new friends and many wonderful new memories!

There are many things planned for this year. We will be spending September getting everyone settled and into routine, and we will be focusing on the theme “God made me special.” Throughout the year there will be lots of different activities such as neighbourhood walks, visitors, parties, dancing, singing, and many more exciting events. Please feel free to use some time after class to look around and see what the children have been involved in. Once again we’d like to welcome all our families to an exciting year and we hope that you are all as excited as we are.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Perna and Mrs. Tomas

“Open Door Policy”

At Our Lady of Sorrows Preschool we like to keep an “Open Door Policy.” We do not have formal parent/teacher interviews scheduled throughout the year. In saying this, we would like parents to know that all teachers are available for you to make an appointment with to discuss your child’s progress. If you wish to do so please see one of us to schedule a time.

Monthly Newsletters

The newsletters will be emailed at the beginning of every month. We ask that each family take the time to read them over. This is our way of communicating with you what has been happening at school and what will be coming up. A calendar will also be distributed at the beginning of every month highlighting special events and activities.

Information Updates

It is very important that your child and family information is kept up to date. If there are any changes with phone numbers, addresses, allergies etc... please inform us right away!!

Uniform

If you have purchased the school uniform please have your child start wearing it the first week of school. If you have not done so yet, please ensure that you do so and that your child is in uniform for **Tuesday September 12th**. For more information please refer to your information package or see us after class.

Snack

At OLS Preschool we like to encourage healthy eating habits. Please provide your child with a healthy snack each day they come to school. In addition to this, we ask that you do not send juice boxes as we have noticed that many children do not finish their juice, and the majority seems to go to waste. As a great alternative, we encourage you to send them to school with a water bottle.

Please remember that our classroom is a “**NUT FREE**” Zone. We have children in our school who are highly allergic to nut products. Please ensure that all snacks are **NUT FREE!!!**

Birthdays

Due to an increase in allergies, we ask that you do not send baked goods to school to celebrate your child's birthday. As an alternative, we kindly ask you to send something small for our preschool. Some examples are: a book, puzzle, stickers, etc. By doing this, it will also help us build our classroom resources. At school we will celebrate your child's birthday by making a special birthday crown for them to wear and take home and we will give them a small birthday treat.

Backpacks/Personal Belongings/Change of Clothes

Please send your child to school with an extra set of clothes (including underwear) to be kept in his/her backpack in case of an emergency. We ask that you label all your child's belongings, this will avoid your child from bringing home something that doesn't belong to them.

Special Helper

The children will take turns being special helper a week at a time. Throughout the week your child will have special jobs. The jobs will be helping with calendar, setting up placemats before snack and other duties. During this week your child will have an opportunity to bring show and tell. When it's your child turn, he/she will come home with a special helper letter and a show and tell bag.

School Website

Our Lady of Sorrows School has a school website www.ourladyofsorrows.ca. Under the preschool section we will be uploading our monthly newsletters, calendars and pictures.

Special Events for September

Three Year Old Gradual Entry Week –Tuesday Sept.12th and Thursday Sept. 14th
Please see the gradual entry schedule and come to school at your time. We ask that you attend on Tuesday with your child for the full hour. On Thursday you may leave your child for the hour should they feel comfortable to be on their own.

Regular Preschool Class Begins – Tuesday Sept. 19th

Starting on this day the children will be coming for their full 2.5 hour classes. Please ensure that they come to school in their uniform and that you send them with a healthy snack and water bottle. Please label all their containers.

Book Fair – Monday Sept. 25th – Friday Sept. 29th

We will email you information about this event soon.

Terry Fox Activity Day/Non Uniform Day- Thursday Sept. 28th

This will be a non-uniform day. Please send your child to school in clothes that are appropriate for an outdoor activity. We will go for a short walk in the neighbourhood and do some fun exercises. We kindly ask for a \$2 donation. Money raised will go towards the Terry Fox Cancer Research Foundation.