



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Preschool Newsletter

August/September 2015

This Year's Bible Verse:

"Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31

Welcome to Preschool!

We have been busy getting the classrooms ready and are looking forward to a wonderful year with your children!

Sunday, August 23 – Preschool Open House
10am Contemporary Service –Preschool Teachers installed
and Children's Message with Pastor Weller
11am - Classrooms are Open



Please join us for our worship service when our teachers will make a public commitment to serve the Lord through our preschool. After service we will have an Open House where you may tour the classrooms, locate your child's name on their cubby, meet your child's teachers, enjoy refreshments and visit with other preschool parents!

* Orientation Days *

Classes will meet for one hour on Orientation Days.
This will be a time to explore the classroom, meet friends, and have lots of fun!

Please attend the times listed below:

ALL MWF and M-F CLASSES

Monday, August 24th - AM Classes: 9:30-10:30am
PM Pre K Class: 12:30-1:30pm

ALL T/TH CLASSES

Tuesday, August 25th - 9:30-10:30am



* First Regular Days of School *



M-F Students - Tuesday, August 25

8:45-11:45 or 8:45-2:45

MWF Students - Wednesday, August 26

8:45-11:45 or 8:45-2:45

T/TH Students - Thursday, August 27

8:45-11:45 or 8:45-2:45



JUMP BUNCH starts September 1st and 2nd

Jump Bunch is a fun exercise program that will keep your child moving! Jump Bunch is available on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 11:45am to 12:30pm. If you would like to register please turn in a registration form to Coach Tara at the Jump Bunch table on orientation days. If your child is in the Extended Class they may participate once a week during the class rest time.

T-Shirt Days September 3rd and 4th

The children and staff will show their school spirit by wearing their SOTV shirts!! Please see your class calendar for days that your child will participate.



School T-Shirt & Sweatshirt Sales

If you would like an additional school t-shirt or a sweatshirt for those chilly days on the playground, they will be on sale on the grass the first day of school (while supplies last).

T-Shirts - \$6.00 Sweat Shirts - \$10.00



School Holiday

Monday, September 7th Labor Day

There will be no school this day

Monthly Newsletters

This newsletter will be placed in your child's cubby (and was also sent out by email.) Please make sure you receive the email copy as the remainder of the monthly newsletters will only be sent through email. If you have an update to your email address please let the office know as soon as possible.



Scholastic Book Fair

September 14th – 18th

Every year Shepherd of the Valley hosts a Scholastic Book Fair. The Fair is a perfect opportunity to get your child reading more books!
Don't forget that books make great Christmas gifts!

Special Story Time with Clifford the **BIG RED DOG**

Thursday, September 17th at 6:30pm



Join us for a special story time with Clifford. Come in your jammies for some cookies and milk, a bedtime story, and a visit with Clifford the BIG RED DOG.



Fall Portraits September 16th and 17th

Teddy Bear Portraits will be here to photograph your child. Please fill out a permission slip to have your child photographed and place it in the basket in the gym. Each child will receive a free tote bag with their photograph on it. Purchasing finished portraits is optional and you will be able to view finished portraits a few weeks after portrait days. Please see your class calendar for days that your child will participate.



Fire, Earthquake & Lockdown Drills



During September we will be talking to our students and practicing our procedures in case of an emergency. This is a great time to also talk to your child about the plan in your home!

International Potluck September 24th and 25th



Come enjoy a special lunch with food represented by the many different cultures at SOTV. You are invited to bring a dish to share from your native country! Children may come to school in their traditional clothing. Please see your class calendar for days that your child will participate.
**If your child attends the Extended class and a parent is unavailable to attend, we will help your child make a plate and enjoy the potluck!*

Locked Doors

Please note that as a safety and precautionary measure, we keep the preschool doors locked between the hours of 9-11:30am and 12-2:45pm. If you are late in the morning, or need to pick your child up early, you must come to the office so that we may unlock the doors for you. Your child's safety is our priority!

Sign-In Procedure

- Walk your child to their classroom from the back parking lot. Enter the classroom by the cubbies.
- Sign in by entering your pin number on the iPad and press "Drop off child"

Sign-Out Procedure

- Please empty your child's cubby each day when you pick him/her up.
- Sign out by entering your pin number on the iPad and press "Pick up child"
- Every child must be signed in and out each day. A \$25.00 fee will be assessed if proper sign in/out procedures are not followed.
- Every authorized person for drop off and pick up will have their own code. The office will assign these codes. Sharing codes is not permitted.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Breakfast Bunch

SOTV offers a before school program from 7:30-8:45 a.m., Monday – Friday. The cost is \$2.00 for every 15 minutes. You do not need to register ahead of time. You can sign in and join the fun in room Luke. *Children must bring their own breakfast if they have not yet eaten that morning.*

Extended Classes

SOTV offers an after school program from 11:45am-2:45pm If you're interested in signing up for the program please contact the office. Drop-in may also be available, however space is limited. Drop-in Registration forms are in the hallway and office. Please return the form with payment to the office to check on availability.



Playground Policy



We strive to make our preschool a safe place to learn and play. To keep your children safe; our playground is only open during preschool hours when our trained staff is able to supervise and maintain the safety of the children. We encourage you to set up play dates at a nearby park if your child would like to continue to play after school with their classmates. We are thankful for the wonderful families at SOTV and the safety of your precious children is our priority.

August/September Snacks

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
August 24 Animal Crackers & Milk	August 25 Animal Crackers & Milk	August 26 Whole Wheat Gold Fish, Cucumbers & Water	August 27 Teddy Grams & Milk	August 28 Yogurt, Bananas & Water
31 Carrots, Crackers & Milk	1 Wheat Thins, Raisins & Water	2 Cucumber Rounds, Pretzels & Water	3 Multi Grain Cheerios & Milk	4 Rice Cakes, Pears & Water
7 No School	8 Apple Wedges, String Cheese & Water	9 Cantaloupe, Crackers & Water	10 Nutri-Grain Bar & Milk	11 Crackers, Carrots, Hummus & Water
14 Veggie Sticks, Cutie Oranges & Water	15 Kix Cereal & Milk	16 Pretzels Rods, Celery & Water	17 Triscuit Crackers, Watermelon & Water	18 Apples, String Cheese, & Water
21 Whole Wheat Bagels, Cream Cheese & Water	22 Wheat Crackers, Carrots & Water	23 Pirate Booty, Oranges & Water	24 Yogurt, Bananas & Water	25 Apple Sauce, Cinnamon Crackers & Water
28 Popcorn, Raisins & Water	29 Ritz Bits, Celery & Water	30 Turkey Roll, Cheese Slices & Water		

- * Water and Milk will be served. We do not serve juice.
- * All crackers will be whole wheat.



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We look forward to a wonderful year ahead filled with God's Grace!