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Saint Denis-Saint Columba School

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Summer 2020

Dear St. Denis-St. Columba Kindergarten Families,

Welcome to Kindergarten! I am thrilled to be teaching your child in September! Often parents ask if there is something that they can work on over the summer to help prepare their children for Kindergarten. Please have your child complete the Pre-Kindergarten Math Summer Solutions book and the Reading Bingo/Reading Log sheets attached for July and August. Please read to your child regularly and encourage them to retell stories or help you tell the story by discussing what he or she notices in the pictures. Additionally, it is beneficial for your child to regularly practice writing his/her name, letter sounds, counting, and writing numbers/letters.

In Kindergarten the students begin using the computer lab. One skill the children will need help with is using a computer mouse. In our computer room they are expected to use a mouse to work the computer, and sometimes students find it difficult to maneuver one. There are many fun links on the Kindergarten webpage (*under the Staff Directory tab*) found on our school website (www.stcolumba.net) that they can use to practice mouse skills!

Some items you need to buy for your child are a lunch box and a backpack (no wheels) big enough to carry a lunch box, folder, library book, etc. The children have a snack each morning and can either bring a lunch or purchase one. A monthly lunch schedule can be found on the school website. Please send a finger type snack; nothing that requires the use of a fork or spoon, please. They can have a drink, and I suggest you send in an extra water bottle on hot days. They will also need **2 -plastic** two-pocket folders (**pockets on the bottom**, not the sides, please) and a change of underwear and socks in a Ziploc bag (labeled with your child's name that can stay in school).

Kindergarten Supplies:

1 **zipper pouch** supply case with **your child's name on it** with the following **continuous supplies** inside:

1 box of sharpened pencils- Ticonderoga brand #2 only, please

1 box 24 count **Crayola** crayons only, please

2 Expo markers

1 big pink eraser

1 glue stick

1 safety scissor

**The supply case will be sent home each night. You must monitor the supplies and replenish as needed.*

1 container of Lysol or Clorox wipes

1 package of baby wipes

1 box of tissues

1 set of headphones (no ear buds) **in a Ziploc bag with name**

Art Supplies:

- 1 pack of unscented baby wipes
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 box of crayons
- Art smock labeled (large t-shirt, no buttons, sealed in a labeled ziplock)

The total cost for notebooks, other classroom supplies, paper, etc, and a yearly subscription to Social Studies Weekly is \$25.00.

School Uniform Requirements for 2020-2021

Boys Uniform:

- White oxford dress shirt and plaid school tie
- Green V-neck sweater vest or pull over V neck sweater with school name
- Green dress slacks
- Black or brown belt
- Dark socks
- **Black or brown supportive shoes with laces or Velcro**

Girls Uniform:

- Green plaid drop waist jumper with white blouse (Peter Pan collar)
- Green or black knee socks/tights
- Black or brown supportive shoes with laces, Velcro or buckle (***No slip-on or boat shoes***)
- Green cardigan sweater with school name

Summer Uniform:

- Green shorts (no more than one inch above the knee) and belt
- Girls have skort option to be purchased at Li'l Darling Shoppe)
- White polo shirt with school logo
- White crew socks that reach the ankle
- Black or brown supportive shoes with laces, Velcro or buckle (***No slip-on or boat shoes***)

PLEASE NOTE: Uniform SNEAKERS for Gym – only WHITE or BLACK - with NO color

Please bring all of your child's supplies (*except their backpack, lunch box, and 1 folder*) to school on our Student Orientation Day, *date to be determined*. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns at ktucker@stcolumba.net I look forward to a wonderful school year with you and your family!

Thank you,

Miss Tucker, Kindergarten Teacher