



*A Holy Ground of
Loving and Learning*

Saint Denis-Saint Columba School

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WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

Dear St. Denis-St. Columba Kindergarten Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Kindergarten. Our Kindergarten year will be filled with exciting learning experiences. We will have many opportunities to learn and grow.

Many parents ask if there is something that they can work on over the summer to help prepare their child for Kindergarten. Please have them complete the *Summer Solutions for Pre-K Workbook*. This book combines Math and Language Arts and is geared for students entering Kindergarten. If you have not ordered it through the school, you may order it online at www.summersolutions.net. This book is divided into 30 lessons. Your child can work on 3 lessons each week and complete the whole book in the 10 weeks of summer.

Other activities that involve reading/math/writing, for example letter recognition, letter sounds, counting, writing numbers are all beneficial. Please read to your child daily or join a free summer library reading program. In Kindergarten the students use the computer lab. One thing that your child will need help with is using a mouse. In our computer room they are expected to use a mouse to work the computer, and many find it difficult to maneuver it. There are many fun links on my webpage, accessible through www.stcolumba.net, that they can use to help.

Some items you need to buy for your child are a lunch box and a backpack big enough to carry a lunch box. The children have a snack each morning and can either bring a lunch or purchase one. A monthly lunch schedule is on the 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 a two pocket folder (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.

Attached you will find the uniform guidelines and supply requirements needed to make this a successful year. Please bring all of your child's supplies (except their backpack) with you on Orientation Day on Tuesday, August 30, 2016. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns at any time. You can send an e-mail through my teacher web page on our website.

I am looking forward to a wonderful school year working with you and your child as they venture through their first year at St. Denis- St. Columba School.

God bless you,

Mrs. Kathy McCabe

SUMMER UNIFORM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Green shorts (no more than 1 inch above the knee) with a brown or black belt

White polo shirt with the school logo

White crew socks- must reach the ankle bone

Black or brown supportive shoes with laces, Velcro or straps

WINTER UNIFORM FOR BOYS

White oxford dress shirt and plaid school tie

Green V-neck sweater vest or long sleeve pullover sweater with school name

Green dress slacks with belt

Dark socks and Black or brown supportive shoes with laces, Velcro or straps

WINTER UNIFORM FOR GIRLS

Green plaid drop waist jumper with white blouse with Peter Pan collar

Green or black knee socks or tights

Black or brown supportive shoes with laces, Velcro or straps

Green cardigan with school name

PLEASE USE PERMANENT MARKER AND WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON EVERYTHING. REMEMBER EVERYONE WEARS THE SAME THING.

Kindergarten Supplies

1. Boys only: 1 box of pencils- Ticonderoga brand #2 only, please
2. Boys only: 1 roll of paper towel
3. Girls only: 1 Lysol wipes
4. Girls only: 1 package of glue sticks
5. All: 2 boxes or refill baby wipes,
2 boxes of tissues,
1 Art smock in a zip lock bag with name,
1 set of headphones in a zip lock bag with name
\$35.00 supply fee to cover writing and drawing paper, art supplies,
dry ease boards, markers, erasers, etc.