

Welcome to Pre-K!



My name is Marie Russell and I am the Pre-K teacher here at St. Peter's. This is my second year teaching here which is very special to me because I am a graduate from St. Peter's! I also graduated from Bishop McNamara High School and received my bachelors degree from the University of Maryland College Park. My faith is very important to me and I knew in college that when I became a teacher, I would want to become a Catholic school teacher. I love working alongside educators whose faith is something they incorporate within daily lessons. I very much love flowers and my very sweet golden retriever, Pullo!



This is my full-time aide, Delani Norman. She has been apart of the St. Peter's community for many years. She has three daughters and they all have attended St. Peter's! She has her bachelor of fine arts degree from St. Mary's College and is very crafty!

"I love you, O Lord, my strength" Psalm 18:1

September

So far in Pre-K, we had our first day of school and have been working becoming good friends and learning the rules of school. They worked on coloring their “First Day of Pre-K” hats and were excited to show their loves ones at pick-up! Once they understand a little more of how school will go, I will rotate weekly jobs for the children to be a line leader, caboose, door holder, weather person, lights helper, and teacher’s helper. The children love showing how helpful they can be! We will soon have a science experiment taste testing two kinds of apples. We will be really exploring outside when fall arrives! They will go on a scavenger hunt finding items that you commonly find during fall and will work on a leaf rubbing arts and craft project using their own leaves they find outside!



October

In October, my students will learn all about Johnny Appleseed! To go along with our fall season, they will learn who he was Johnny Appleseed and will make hats in the shape of pots, just like he wore! Pre-K will continue developing social skills and work hard on classroom projects, listening skills, and enjoying learning! During center time, the children are able to showcase how wonderfully they paint with watercolors at art center, build the largest of buildings at block center, pretend play at housekeeping, and sort

objects in muffin tins at math center. Their imaginations are always so amazing to witness!

Every week, the students will learn a new letter and number for the week. Doing different activities help the children more with letter/ number recognition and express creativity! We also will have our school annual Trunk-or-Treat which is so much fun!

November



In November, Pre-K will celebrate Thanksgiving and Grandparents Day at school! We will talk about what we are grateful for during Thanksgiving time! We will also do fun crafts and sing songs with our grandparents on Grandparents Day! We will continue to celebrate Fall and explore outside!