

St. Mark's

PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

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August 4, 2020

Dear Families,

Welcome to St. Mark's Preschool & Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year! I look forward to continuing the strong tradition of education, community and excellence. I am proud to be the Director of this great school. Your children will be filled with learning, laughter, and wonder as they embark upon this adventure to prepare for the future.

The school year officially begins on Monday, August 10th. There will be a Virtual Parent Orientation Thursday evening, August 6, beginning at 6:00p.m. via Zoom. We will discuss updates and go over items for the upcoming school year. The Zoom link was emailed. Please plan on attending.

Our amazing teachers have also been creating orientation videos and virtual tours for your children. This is an excellent opportunity for your child to become acquainted with their new school environment. Please be sure to check emails from your child's teacher for details!

I would like to take a moment to introduce our 2020-2021 St. Mark's teachers and staff! **Shyleigh Scott, Daniela Munoz Quintana** and **Sarah Barber** are getting ready for another great Kindergarten year in Room F. kindergarten@stmarkspreschool.com

Corinne Lewis, Bobbie Monjaras and **Veronica Hamm** will be together in Room E. They are planning a great year with the full day Pre-K class and have many fun activities already in store. toureiffel@cox.net

Anna Kolb is creating a fun, learning environment for the part day Pre-K in Rm. D with the Nature class. nature@stmarkspreschool.com

Kerri Gardner, Lisa Despascal and **Dominique "Dom" Beltran** will be working together for a delightful year filled with many learning adventures in the full day, Preschool Cool Cats class, in Rm. C. coolcats@stmarkspreschool.com

Shayna Smith is looking forward to year of student-led activities with the Wild Things in Room A. wildthings@stmarkspreschool.com

Mariah Calvillo and **Greta Derstine** will be supporting our programs at various times throughout the day.

Hilary Myli and **Annie Tong** return this year to provide excellent quality and consistency in the office— keeping parents informed, costs down, and the school in running order. Hilary is our Office Manager and Bookkeeper. Annie Tong is our Office Assistant and Substitute Teacher.

We have excellent substitute teachers, including alumni parents **Jennifer Davenport, Mariel Enriquez,** and **Melissa Hodges,** and alumni staff **Ann Brewster** and **Kathy Meakins.**

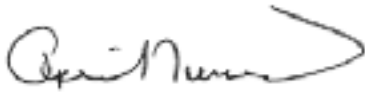
We will continue to offer a pizza lunch option on Fridays. This will begin the first Friday, August 14, of the school year. The cost is \$5.00 per lunch and is billed to the following month's tuition. Let your classroom teacher know if you want to participate in pizza lunch.

I want to thank everyone for all of their support of the Spring Fun!Raiser, as well as donations for Corona Virus support. With your efforts we are able to offer some scholarships to families in need this year, and were able to cover school needs during this challenging time. I hope many of you will get involved again this year to make our program great and a continuing success!

As the school year quickly approaches, I want to remind everyone to return all their paperwork and forms, including immunization records, to the office ASAP. Attached are the Family Agreement and Addendum for you to complete and return before the first day of school. The Family Handbook is also attached for your review. Lastly, any important information, including schedules and keycards, will be presented in a folder on the first day of school.. Take a moment to read through the material presented, especially the Family Handbook, as it explains many of our school policies.

We look forward to seeing you this school year. Here's to a wonderful year!

Warm Regards,



April Turner
Director