

Pre-K B

Back to School Night

Fall 2026



ST. CHARLES
BORROMEO
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Pre-K Team

*PreK-A Classroom is Mrs Coleman and Mrs Welch. This is the academic room for the split class.

*PreK - B Classroom is Mrs Velloso and Ms. Cassidy this is a self-contained class of both academic and enrichment activities.

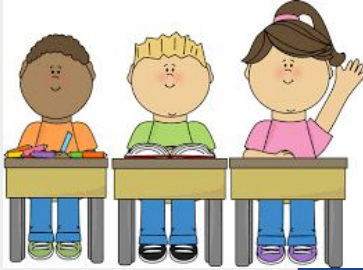
*PreK - C Classroom is Mrs Bauder and Mrs Schumacher and this is the enrichment room for the split class.

Mrs. Velloso & Ms. Cassidy

This is my eleventh year teaching in the Archdiocese of Seattle and my third year in Pre-K at SCB. Before coming to SCB I was a kindergarten teacher. I have two young children of my own and feel very lucky to spend my school days with yours!

Ms. Cassidy is a beloved member of our SCB staff and is with us all day in our classroom, at recess, and at our specialist classes.

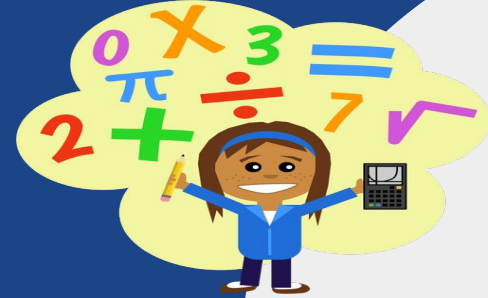
What's Special About Pre-K?



Following
Directions



Pre-Literacy



Math



Motor Skills



Speech and
Language



Social skills and
having fun!

Classroom Etiquette and Expectations



- **We take care of the people in the room.**
 - Being Kind
 - Sharing/Taking Turns
 - Safe bodies
 - Listening to adults and speaking with kind words to classmates
 - Kindness to ourselves
- **We take care of the things in the room.**
 - Using school supplies appropriately
 - Taking care of our toys
 - Working together to keep our classroom in order



Pre-K Academics

- Religion
- Math
- Preliteracy
- Language Arts
- Science
- Social Studies
- Music and Movement



Pre-K Curriculum

Language Arts:

- Recognize, say the sounds, and write Aa-Zz
- Early readers program: begins in second trimester with a series of leveled books that will go home with your child
- We support all levels of reading- parents reading to their kids or kids beginning to read on their own



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Math

- Count to 50
- Use one-to-one correspondence counting
- Identify and Write numbers 1-20
- Learn about basic shapes and patterns
- Sort objects

We practice these skills with a variety of hands-on activities, written work, group work, songs, and games.



Pre-K Curriculum

Religion:

- Allelu Religion Curriculum:
Introduces students to Jesus and Catholic practices
- Thematic religion lessons based on liturgical seasons or special feast days.
- Pre-K prayers: included in the information packet.



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Social Studies and Science

- Scholastic *Let's Find Out* and *Clifford's Big World*: These go over a range of topics, including some seasonal.
- Thematic learning with various holidays and seasons.
- Science is incorporated into our thematic units throughout the year such as with fall/Halloween learning, learning about plants in the spring, etc.



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Technology:

- Each student will receive their own iXL login information which provides math, language arts and learning games to practice at home.
- We will use our Promethean Board to access our Scholastic curriculum, to support our calendar time, listen to songs, practice writing letters and numbers, and do brain break activities.
- We watch a show for about 20 minutes after lunch in Mrs. Coleman's classroom

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Specialist Classes:

- Library with Mrs. Grolbert: getting comfortable with the library, learning about authors and illustrators, checking out a book to keep in the classroom
- PE with Mr. Malo: moving our bodies, following directions, playing games
- Music with Mr. Lewis: learning to use our voices, listening and repeating back verses, playing fun games.
- 3rd Grade Reading Buddies: meets weekly with Mrs. Johnson's Class

Testing

- We will do assessments throughout the school year testing letter and number identification, letter sounds, mathematical concepts, & color and shape identification.
- We will test students on two prayers this year, the Grace Before Meals and the Guardian Angel Prayer.

Communication

- Weekly newsletter: details what we learned during the week and what we will focus on next week. Please note important upcoming dates.
- Please email with questions, updates or concerns. We will not be using Brightwheel to communicate via messaging.

Conferences

- October 22nd & 23rd
- Sign Up Genius will be emailed in early October to select times
- This is a great opportunity to discuss how your child is adjusting to the school year and how they are doing academically.

Class Parties & Celebrations

- Halloween Party: Friday, October 30th in the afternoon. More info in October.
- Christmas Party: Thursday, December 17th in the afternoon. Students can wear Christmas outfits or Christmas pajamas. We will be decorating gingerbread houses and doing other fun Christmas activities.
- Valentine's Day Party: Friday, February 12th in the afternoon. We exchange cards with our classmates and do other fun Valentine's Day activities. Free dress white, pink and red themed.



VIP: Very Important Person!



- A special week when they will get to decorate a poster to bring in to tell us all about them.
- Special privileges in the classroom!
- Bring in a few items to share with the class.
- Parent invited to have a parent come read a story to the class.

I will send home the date for your child's VIP week soon so you have it on your calendar. I will send home an information sheet and the poster paper the week before your child's scheduled VIP week.

Important Dates

- Conferences October 22nd and 23rd
- Thanksgiving break is the whole Week of Nov. 23rd
- Christmas break is Dec. 21st through Jan. 1st. School Resumes on January 4th.
- Preschool and Pre-K do not attend school on Good Friday which is Friday, March 26th.
- Spring break is March 29th-April 2nd.
- Last Day of School is Thursday, June 17th and dismissal is at 10:30 am.

Please always pay close attention to class and school newsletters for other days off of school.

Illness and Restroom Policies

- PLEASE keep them home if they don't feel well. Students must stay home for 24 hours after fever, vomiting, or diarrhea have stopped.
- Please monitor your child's health for symptoms of illness and viral conditions. I will send updates home if we are seeing any serious illnesses.

Miscellaneous

- No toys from home should come to school.
- Included in packet is sign-up for classroom and home volunteers for the classroom. We will likely start classroom volunteers in November or December..
- Please pack two snacks (separate from lunch) and a water bottle with water only. No nuts please.
- If you have any special talents or a job you would like to share with the class, please let me know!
- Let me know if you are interested in being a room parent!

**Thank you for
coming tonight!
Pre-K is the best!**

