

The Preschool Times

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**We have had a great
first month of school!
It has been awesome!**

Please check out our website at:

www.stchristopherski.org/preschool

Select the Preschool link on the main church website
for all updates and school information/policies.

This is the page that you will find important up to
date information regarding all of the happenings at
SCP!

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It has come to our attention that there was some confusion with the school closing this week. Due to the large number of families and teachers in our school that have children in both the public schools and the preschool we do our best to follow the Queen Anne's County Public School calendar. Please refer to the calendar that was given out at the beginning of the year.

If there are any changes to the calendar you will be notified ASAP.

FOG DELAYS:

If QAC schools have a delayed opening due to inclement weather – All SCP classes will begin at 10:45am and end at 12:15pm or 1pm for Pre-K & 4's Classes.

Please remember that our school is located at a church. We are asking that you and your children are respectful upon entering and exiting the building and while on the premises. Due to costs and safety concerns we ask that you do not allow your children to play on the front steps or in the parking lot. Please be mindful of your children and do not allow them to play with the church doors, bell or the rocks in our front gardens. Mr Joe works very hard to keep our building clean and safe for our families and students. Thank you!

October's Themes are:

- Farm to Food
 - Pumpkins
 - Where the Wild Things Are
 - Halloween
 - Monsters
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Farmer John's Produce has always donated pumpkins for our Halloween party. This year due to the tornado we will be purchasing pumpkins to support our friends at Farmer John's. Please visit them for all of your pumpkin and produce needs

SCP Family Halloween Party

Tuesday, October 31st @ 10:00am
at St. Christopher's Parish Hall

Each year SCP holds a school wide family Halloween party in the Parish hall from 10:00-11:30am. SCP is closed for classes on this day. If this is not your class day you are invited to attend. There will be pumpkins to decorate, a craft, some games and a costume parade. Please look for the sign-up sheets outside of each classroom. Each family attending be sure to sign up the number attending, as well as sign up to bring something to share!

The staff has asked us to remind all of our families to:

- Please visit the restroom and wash your hands before coming into the classroom. We spend a lot of time visiting the bathroom in the morning and it takes away from instruction time.
- Please make sure your children have "Happy Feet". We spend time being active and running on the playground and our feet are happiest in tennis shoes. Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothing for any activity we may be doing.
- Please check to see that the change of clothes you have in your child's tote bag has been changed for the cooler weather.
- Please send in a jacket and/or sweatshirt and leave it in your child's cubby for the day. We do go outside even if it is cool/cold!

Tuition Payment Options

Remember we now have several options to help with your tuition payments.

1. We accept cash or check in the preschool office.
2. We accept check or money order by mail.
3. We now have online payment via your credit card.

If you have any questions please stop by the preschool office.

Team Spirit

Show your team spirit and wear your favorite football team jersey or gear on Thursdays and Fridays during football season!



CBEC Visits SCP

Chesapeake Environmental Center will be visiting SCP on November 8th. This will be a wonderful learning experience for all of our students. If you are a Tues/Thur student you are invited to join us at 10am. We look forward to the Birds of Prey program CBEC will be offering.



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October 20 – SCP CLOSED
 October 25 & 26 - Lunch Bunch for Polliwogs Classes
 October 26 – Cookies & Cocoa with Santa Meeting 9:30am
 October 31 – Halloween Party 10am St. Christopher's Parish Hall
 NO CLASSES THIS DAY
 November 8 – CBEC visits SCP
 November 10 – SCP CLOSED

Lunch Bunch

We are hosting LUNCH BUNCH again this year! Your child will have the opportunity to stay each month and have lunch and an activity with his/her teacher(s). Lunch Bunch will run from 11:45am-1:00pm for our Polliwogs Classes. The cost for this activity is \$5 for each Lunch Bunch date they participate. If your child wishes to participate they will be required to bring a packed lunch with a drink to preschool on their scheduled day. **Please make sure this is a separate drink from the one they bring to class for snack; it should be packed with their lunch.**

We cannot wait to enjoy this fun time with your child. Use this time to finish those needed errands or begin your holiday shopping.



Cookies and Cocoa with Santa

It's that time of year again to begin the planning stages of Cookies and Cocoa with Santa. This is the largest fundraising event for our preschool and all parents are required to participate in one way or another. Our kick off meeting was on Wednesday, October 4th at 9:30am. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 25th.

The event will be held on Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00am-12:00pm. There will be cookies and cocoa to eat & drink, a craft for the children to create and Santa will be here for a visit.

Each class will be responsible for filling a themed raffle basket. During "Cookies & Cocoa with Santa" we will sell raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the great baskets that our families have filled.

The class' themed baskets are:

Pre-K: Dining Out

Ms. Terri: Wine Tasting

Ms. Bonnie: Ravens

MWF Ms. Stacy: Redskins

T/Th Ms. Stacy: Christmas Baking

MWF Tadpoles: Family Games

T/Th Tadpoles: Pizza Night

In addition, each family is required to donate two (2) dozen cookies (**nut free**) for the event. The cookies will need to be

dropped off at the preschool on Friday, December 1st

Please remember this is our largest fundraiser of the year. The raffle baskets are the true money makers for our event. Any donations that you can acquire for any of the baskets would be greatly appreciated. The new motto for our baskets is go big or go home. Each family is expected to donate items with a minimum \$20 value for their class basket. Please let Sissy know if you have collected from a business so we don't inundate any one business. Thank you for your hard work and your support of our school.

Scholastic Book Club

The October orders are available on -line. They have lots of great books your child will enjoy! Introducing your child to books at an early age helps with their school readiness.

October orders are due:

October 13th.

