

Preschool News

-Ruth Baas, Preschool Director

BLASTING OFF TO A NEW PRESCHOOL YEAR!



Orland Park Christian Preschool is getting ready to begin a new school year. Our Monday/Wednesday/Friday class for 4-year-olds is full at 30 children. (DCFS of Illinois requirements state that our two classrooms are just large enough to have 15 children learning in each room at a time.) Our Tuesday/Thursday class for children who are 3 years old by September 1, 2018, has room for more children at the time of this writing. We are very grateful to God for the blessing of seeing the growth He has provided for the preschool over the last few years. The neighborhood community that our church is a part of is being reached as the number of children who are enrolled at our preschool from church families is about 25% while about 75% of our children are from families in our surrounding community. To God be the glory! This is His ministry.

The preschool staff is staying the same for the coming school year. We are so grateful for the love and faithfulness of these teachers as they serve the Lord by loving and teaching our preschool children! Please keep Ruth Baas, Lisa Cavanaugh, Brenda Harms, Janna Kuyvenhoven, Cindy Schipma, and Barb Vree in your prayers as they assist the children to grow in faith and learning throughout the school year.

The goal of Orland Park Christian Preschool is to offer a positive first-school experience that will nurture academic, social, and spiritual development in three-to five-year-old children. It is our joy to introduce these children to our great God and the world He has made. This fall our studies will be based on the theme of

outer space as we introduce the children to the school setting, help them meet new friends, and teach them to praise God for the marvelous world He has made. We will enjoy activities that help us learn about the sun, moon, stars, planets, rockets, astronauts, and much more! The areas of curriculum that we plan for by using the outer space theme are Bible, math, science, language, physical education, reading readiness, and fine motor development with creativity through arts and crafts.

On Wednesday and Thursday, September 5 and 6, we will hold our Family Visit days. Families of the students will be welcomed to explore our classrooms, meet each other, and gather all the information needed for a successful transition into the new school year. Our first days of class are Monday, September 10 and Tuesday, September 11.

Please remember this ministry with your prayers and support. Pray that the children will experience the love of Jesus as they learn and that their families will also be impacted as we work to plant seeds of faith in God and positive Christian values in the hearts of the children.

Thank you for your continued interest and support! We hope to see you at the Orland Park Church's Family Classics Car Show night on September 12 as we reach out to our community and benefit Orland Park Christian Preschool with the donations received. We will serve up a delicious dinner and lots of fun for the whole family!