



PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

December 18, 2025

Dear Preschool Families,

This week we focused on the "Christmas Story". The teachers continued with the fun and festive art activities.

We ended our week with our Christmas Program. This was a wonderful spiritual experience for the children, as they reenacted "The Christmas Story". The children looked adorable in their costumes! Their angelic voices singing and praising in celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus was beautiful.

After the program, we continued our celebration out in our garden, and we had a surprise visit from the "Three Kings". The Kings traveled from afar to bring the children gifts! This was a great way to end our festive week.

I want to thank our fabulous preschool teachers for everything that they do for the children, families and preschool!

We also want to thank all the parents who volunteered and donated items for these special events! We truly appreciate your help and support.

TOY DRIVE

We want to thank all of the families that donated a toy. On Tuesday, we took the children to see the firemen and fire truck as they picked up the toys for the Toy Drive. This was a great surprise for the children!

SIGN-IN & OUT

Please remember to sign your child in and out every day as you come into the building! Some parents are forgetting to sign-in and out. Full signature **NO** initials! The person signing **MUST** be 18 years old or older. This is a State Licensing Regulation.

SNACKS

We want to thank the families who brought muffins, veggies and fruit this week. We greatly appreciate all your help. Muffins (Borowiec, Ortiz, Brisco & Basore), veggies (Schulte & Ludwig) and fresh fruit (Barber & Basore). Sunflower parents, please bring enough for 10 children. Buzzy Bee parents, please bring enough for 22 children. Be sure to keep track of your service hours and save your receipts. Snacks **MUST** be store bought/prepackaged.

PARENT VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

Parents, if you are planning to volunteer, please be sure to turn in the Statement of Good Health Form, a copy of your current TB test, Tdap, MMR and Flu shot. You must also complete the CMG Connect training that you may find on our school website. The fee for the training is \$25.00.

The following parents are cleared to volunteer:

Sunflower Class: Mrs. Borowiec, Mrs. Santiago, Mrs. Senter and Mr. & Mrs. Schulte

Buzzy Bee Class: Mr. Murphy, Mr. & Mrs. Schulte, Mr. & Mrs. Fernandez, Mrs. Zaborowska, Mrs. Real, Mrs. Buttolph, Mr. & Mrs. Zebian, Mrs. Senter, Mrs. Geissler, Mrs. Verdon and Mrs. Tilghman

If you have NOT turned in any of the immunization requirements and have not completed the CMG training, you may NOT volunteer!

DROP OFF & PICK-UP ROUTE

We want to remind you that our drop off and pick up route is **ONE WAY ONLY!**

When coming to Nazareth School / Preschool, please drive-up Nazareth Drive off San Diego Mission Road. You may park in the small parking lot to your right or pull up to the main entrance roundabout in front of the St. Joseph's building. Parents may enter the building to drop off and pick up their child. **Please be sure to sign your child in and walk them to class.**

We ask that all children arrive by 8:15 am. Our main entrance door is locked all day. You **MUST** ring the doorbell to come into the building during drop off and pick up. Each classroom has a monitor, and we can see and communicate with parents. Once we click the button to let you in, you have about 5 seconds to pull and open the door. Please stand in front of the camera so that we can see you.

After drop off or pick up, you **MUST** merge and continue along the school road and drive out onto Rancho Mission Rd. You may **NOT** exit back down Nazareth Drive!

During pick up, if you do not have an upper grade school student, you may merge into the exit lane to your left and drive towards the parking lot and between the signs to exit. You do not have to wait in line.

If you have a preschooler and an upper grade school student, please drop off preschooler first and then upper grade student. If you exit through the door next to the Sunflower classroom, you may **NOT** come back in through that door. You **MUST** go around the building.

Our preschool main entrance and exit door is located on the SW side of the St. Joseph building.

AFTERCARE

We provide aftercare from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm (\$5.00 per hour). Aftercare pick-up is on the Northeast side of the preschool building (Sunflower Playground or Preschool Aftercare room).

Please know that your child's teacher will arrive late on the following day (at 9am):

Monday- Mrs. Mahler

Tuesday- Mrs. McDowell

Wednesday- Mrs. Sebring

Thursday- Ms. Fitts

Friday- Mrs. Barragan

Between 7:00 am – 7:30 am, drop off for all children is in the Sunflower class. Between 7:30 am – 8:00 am, the Buzzy Bee drop off will be in Ms. Fitts's class. If there are any changes, we will place a note on the sign - in clipboard so that you know where to drop off.

SICK POLICY

Parents, just a reminder, that if your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. Please read our Sick Policy section below.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME IF THEY HAVE THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS:

Please contact Nazareth Preschool at 619-641-7954 or Nazareth School office at 619-641-7987. You may also email us at preschooldir@nazarethschool.org or office@nazarethschool.org

It is very important that you call and report your child's absence. Please test your child before returning to school. Your child may return when they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication AND other non-fever symptoms are mild and improving.

Parents, please keep your child home if she/he is sick and presenting any of the following Covid symptoms:

- Fever with or without chills
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Nasal Congestion

- Sore Throat
- Headache
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Fatigue
- New loss of taste or smell
- Muscle or body aches
- Poor feeding or poor appetite
- Known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have Covid-19

If your child presents any of the symptoms stated above during school time, we will have to send your child home. Please keep in mind that we continue to follow the school protocols to keep children and staff safe.

If your child has allergies, please be sure to bring in a doctor's note, otherwise we will send your child home.

Please remember to return your family envelope by Thursday each week. Place it in your child's file folder.

"Christmas in Bethlehem"

**"The ancient dream: a cold, clear night
Made brilliant by a glorious star,
The smell of incense, shepherds
And wise men falling to their
Knees in adoration of the sweet
Baby, the incarnation of the perfect
Love."**

Lucinda Franks, Journalist

Have a blessed Christmas and restful break!

Important Dates to Remember:

Dec. 21- Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 22 – Jan. 2- Christmas Break

Jan. 5- Classes Resume

Jan. 6- Feast Day of the Epiphany

Jan. 9- Half Day / Close at noon / No Aftercare

God Bless,

Georgina Barragan

Nazareth Preschool Director