

September 2016

4's Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year! We are very excited to start classes. The first two weeks of September will be spent getting to know your child, reviewing class routines and rules, exploring the classroom, and learning class songs and prayers. We will talk about the "Fruit of the Spirit" each month, starting with "Love" symbolized as an apple. Our opening prayer will be "God You Are With Me", and snack prayer will be "God is Great". **Photos:** In getting to know your child, we would like a baby photo, a current photo, a family photo, a friends photo, and a pet photo. We will be looking at baby & current photos the first week. These photos will be displayed and used during the full school year. Please send these photos asap, thank you!

Starting the third week (9/19/15), we will begin Jolly Phonics/Handwriting Without Tears letter sounds. Our first letter will be "L" followed by "F". Thursday will be our Show & Tell Day. Each child is welcome to bring **one** item that has **the sound** of letter for the week. Example: letter "L"; a lollipop (sound in beginning and middle) or an apple (sound at end) would both work. Our dramatic play will be a Pet Vet and Farmer's Market. We will be exploring art through different mediums, and enjoying inside & outside playtime. Chapel, Spanish and Music instruction will begin during the second and third week.

We will be playing outside each day, weather permitting. Children should wear comfortable play clothes that will not limit their mobility or activities in the classroom. Each child should have a change of clothing in their backpack in case an outfit needs changing.

We are looking forward to a great year!

The four's team, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Plescia, & Mrs. Clarke **Important Dates:**

September 6: First Day of School

September 15: First class show & tell – "summer"

September 15: Ice Cream Social 5:30 – 6:30

Week of September 19: School Photos