



TOTE NOTES

SEPTEMBER 2023

The Staff Welcomes you!



We are looking forward to a wonderful school year!

Director's Message...**WELCOME TO OUR LITTLE CORNER OF GLENVIEW!**

I want to welcome you all to a beautiful beginning of the school year. We have had a good start, with minimal separation issues and lots of happy smiles! The teachers and I are looking forward to a great year!

All of us on the staff, together with our parent board, are dedicated to the safety and health of the whole school. While I do feel strongly that using the carpool line is the safest option for drop off and pick up, it is still very nice to see everyone's smiles on the porch. Please keep in mind if you are walking up with your child, you should always be holding their hand until they are safely in the school or back in your car. Be aware as a driver to pull forward slowly through the entire parking lot. Thank you for your efforts to keep everyone safe!

This is the first of the monthly newsletters you will receive from the office this year. They will be sent to your email each month, and also be posted to our website. Please take a moment to read about upcoming events and other fun goings on at our wonderful school. Check out the "Save the Date" section at the end of each newsletter, and mark your calendars about upcoming events. We remain committed to creating opportunities for you to connect as a community and are so happy your children are here with us!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Best regards,
Debbie

Introducing the 2023-2024 Board of Directors

Jackie Thompson...President

Matt Wolfe...Vice President/Treasurer

Susie Davis...Secretary & Social Media

Kerry Ekland...Equipment

Tracey Weber...Volunteers

Carolyn Moretti & Bridget Smith...Social Events

Grace Nurre & Amanda Lorenz...Midwinters Fundraiser

Suzanna Moorhead...Teacher Appreciation

Thank you to all Board Members for volunteering to help the school. Your efforts are so appreciated!

NOTES FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Welcome to Our Little Corner of Glenview; it is the BEST place to be!

Welcome to or welcome back to St. David's Nursery School! What a wonderful start to school we have had! A big thank you is in order for all the help and hard work from our very own St. David's Nursery School community members, including Kerry and Andy Ekland, for their efforts leading our Fall Clean-Up on August 19th, ensuring that St. David's was ready for the arrival of our favorite preschoolers.

These first few weeks of school are always so magical, especially through the eyes of a preschooler. There is much excitement surrounding new friends, new toys, and a whole new world to explore. We hope that you are experiencing this same excitement too!

Whether you are a veteran parent at St. David's or brand new to school, we always have many ways to get involved with the school and/or meet the many wonderful families in our community! If you were not able to make it to the Opening Coffees on September 12th and 14th, be sure to connect with

your class's Room Parent, as there are lots of different ways to volunteer throughout the year!

We won't be short on fun this year! Mark your calendars for the **Picnic in the Meadow**, which has been **moved to Friday, September 29th from 12-1pm**. St. David's very own music teacher, Ms. Jorie, will be there to add some extra musical fun! Meet right in the meadow by the playground after dismissal, and be sure to grab a blanket & your picnic lunch! Additionally, our highly anticipated **Mom's Night Out** is back on **Thursday, September 21st at 7pm** in the Undercroft. Not sure how to play Bunco? No problem! This is always a fun night for the moms in our community - don't miss it! Check your email to RSVP. We will keep the fun rolling into October with our Fall Family Fest and St. David's Welcome Night, which is followed by a Parents Night Out. Please be on the lookout in the coming weeks for more communication about these events.

We have a wonderful group of parents and children here at St. David's Nursery School, and the St. David's Parent Board is always here to assist with and answer any questions that you may have. We are so glad you and your family are here with this year, and we look forward to a wonderful school year together.

Jackie Thompson, Board President

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2+ and Turning 3 classes



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who paid the second tuition due on August 15th. We will have our third and final tuition payment due on November 15th.

Interested in a St. David's youth T-Shirt or Magnet? You can purchase these at any time, but they will also be available for purchase at our Fall Fest on Saturday, October 21st.

If you ever have any questions regarding how to make a payment, I am here to help.

Matt Wolfe, Vice President

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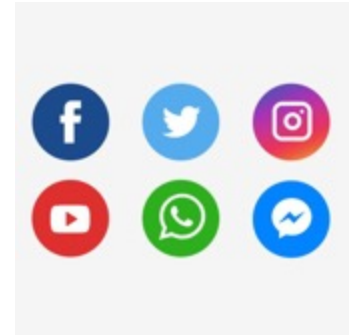
Thank you so much to all the volunteers who showed up for the Fall Clean-Up on Saturday, August 19th to get the school ready for all the first days of school! Not only did we have such a hard-working crew of parents and children that helped spruce up our school but it is always the beginning of a wonderful journey for many SDNS families. I was happy to see old friends reunite and new relationships start to form. St. David's is such a welcoming and nurturing community and the "Clean Up Day" is always a great reminder of that. Thanks again to Colleen Giovannini, Tracey Weber, Santosh Dawson, Amanda Lorenz and Jackie Thompson for joining us to make sure our school year started off clean and tidy. Hope you enjoyed making connections and that you are enjoying your St. David's experience thus far.

We hoped all of our new students enjoyed the Welcome to St David's yard signs! Please return them by October 1st so we can welcome next year's families as well! **THANK YOU!**

Kerry Ekland, Equipment Chair

St. David's is on social media!

Please take a moment to "like" us on Facebook, "follow us" on Instagram (@stdavidsns) and share your fun photos on both sites. Everyone can post to our Facebook page, with photos, questions or announcements. Make sure to use #stdavidsnurseryschool and @stdavidsns when tagging Instagram posts!



Susie Davis, Social Media

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Books...Books...Books!

Fall is a great time to cozy up with some good reading! Through our Scholastic Book orders, **St. David's earns free books for our school library**. Scholastic has a huge selection of books for all ages that are reasonably priced, and easy to order online. Book selections are updated monthly. You may order books at any time, and the selections are updated monthly. Go to www.Scholastic.com/bookclubs, and **use our class code: RYFB4 whenever you place an order**. Books will be delivered to school and sent home with your child. If you have any questions please contact:

Debbie Keller.....847-724-7841.....ddkellersnds@gmail.com

Looking for a way to help? Each month we will publish our "Helping Hands" column - listed will be items that we always need, are grateful to accept any donations! Watch for the helpful hands list in each newsletter!! Thank you!

Helping Hands...

Method gel hand soap (refill bags)

Paper towels

Empty paper towel rolls (for crafts)

From Our Little Corner of Glenview

SEPTEMBER, 2023

Mark your calendars and tell all your friends!

J O I N U S F O R A



CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

SHARE WITH
FRIENDS AND
FAMILY!

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24TH
1PM - 4PM

PRESCHOOLER
PRECISION IS OUR
PROMISE

DAVIS' DRIVEWAY
303 COUNTRY LANE
GLENVIEW, IL

All Donations
Welcome

**ALL
PROCEEDS
BENEFIT ST.
DAVID'S
NURSERY
SCHOOL**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! - CONTACT SUSIE AT
(212)380-6757 WITH QUESTIONS

ATTENTION MOMS

Join our first Sign Up Party of the year! This event will be \$25 per person. All funds go directly to St. David's to support our school. Payments can be made in cash to Jackie or Carolyn, or through Zelle/Chase @ sdnsbooks@gmail.com Hope to see you there! Evites were sent out on September 11 to RSVP.

Jackie Thompson and Carolyn Moretti

ITEMS TO BE RETURNED SOON...

- Vision and Hearing Screenings will be conducted here for all children 3 years and older on Wednesday, October 18 and Thursday, October 19. Forms were sent home pinned to backpacks, and should be returned by Wednesday, October 4 with payments.
- Ages and Stages Assessment questionnaires were given out at the opening coffees or sent home pinned to backpacks. Please take time to provide us with valuable feedback about your child's development. Questionnaires along with the consent form should be returned by Thursday, September 21. All information provided will remain confidential.



2+ friends



From Our Little Corner of Glenview

FROM THE GLENVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER, 2023

THE Spark

Preschool | August 2023



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back for the 2023-2024 school year!

Upcoming Improvements for Preschool Services

The PreK Team is hard at work making it easier for you to request support from the library. We've already started by creating our prekteam@glenviewpl.org email address so that all members of the PreK Team are available to immediately work on your request. Please make sure you are sending your requests there to receive our best service.

And this fall, we'll unveil even more: an option to preorder book bags for the year, online request forms for faster service, and new ways for you to see the library's availability to visit your school/center. Stay tuned!

SAVE THE DATE!

GPL Preschool Fair



Saturday, December 2nd
from 10:00 a.m. to noon

The 2023-24 Preschool Fair is moving to December this year!

Applications will be available beginning in September and a link will be included in the next issue of **The Spark: Preschool**.

SEASONAL SONG

Roly Poly

(Tune: Are You Sleeping? / Frère Jacques)

Roly poly, roly poly,
Up, up, up, up, up, up
Roly poly, roly poly
Down, down, down
Down, down, down

(additional verses: in/out,
fast/slow, left/right, stop/go)

[Watch this video to learn the song!](#)

FEATURED BOOKS



Celebrate back to school with these amazing read-alouds featuring crayons. August is also National Crayon Collection month, for an extra fun fact to share with your students!

[Crayons Rock! by Kimberly and James Dean](#)
[Purple and Preen by Linda Sue Park](#)
[Monsters Love Colors by Mike Austin](#)
[Red: a Crayon's Story by Michael Hall](#)
[What Happens at a Crayon Factory? by Lisa M. Guidone](#)

Contact us for any other requests, preschool visits, or information:
prekteam@glenviewpl.org | Katie, Lydia, Emily, and Diane

Glenview Public Library | 1930 Glenview Rd, Glenview, IL 60025 | 847.729.7500 | glenviewpl.org



Turning 3 friends

FROM THE GLENVIEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Glenview BLOCKTOBERFEST is Saturday, 9/30/23 from 12pm-11pm in downtown Glenview between Church St. and Pine St. Free admission, Food & Drinks sold onsite.

A MESSAGE FROM ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

All families are invited to attend the Parish Picnic on Sunday 9/17 at 11:15am following the 10:00 worship service. Come and meet the new Rector, Father Paul Adler and welcome him and his family to the Glenview Community.

PLEASE SAY HELLO TO OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD AIDES

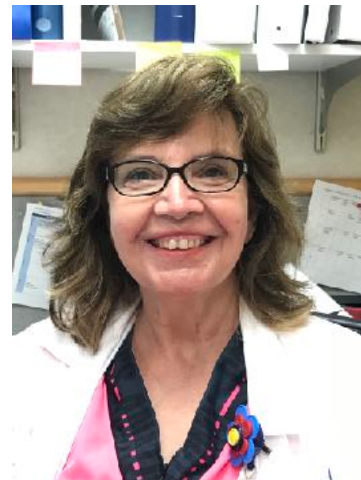
Marty Carey, Alison Zuhr and Jackie Strzalka. Marty is the Aide on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and Alison is here on Thursday and Fridays. Jackie works with Anya Randall assisting her in the 2+ classroom. They are essential parts of our teaching team and we are lucky to have such hardworking and caring women on our staff.



Mrs. Carey



Mrs. Zuhr



Mrs. Strzalka

MUSIC WITH MISS JORIE

MUSIC CLASS WITH MISS JORIE OSUNA IS SET TO BEGIN SOON. MISS JORIE WILL MEET WITH EACH OF THE CLASSES, TWO TIMES PER MONTH. SHE WILL MEET WITH THE 3s, 3/4s AND 4s CLASSES ON WEDNESDAYS AND THE 2+ AND TURNING 3 CLASSES ON THURSDAYS. SHE WILL ALSO BE SINGING AT THE FALL THE FALL PICNIC IS NOW ON FRIDAY SEPT. 29 12-1pm





Mrs. Koek and Mrs. Wiesman's 5 day 4 year old class

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to the Sahakian Family on the birth of Alina. Born on August 11, 2023. Big brother Anto is in Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Garvey's 3/4s class. Welcome to the world Alina!



Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Garvey's 3/4s Class

A Few Gentle Reminders...

- Please call the office or text your teacher if your child will be absent for any reason.
- Please pin any notes to the outside of your child's backpack. This ensures that the teacher will see it.
- When walking your child into school, please take his/her hand and stay alert in the parking lot.
- We encourage you to use the DROP OFF/PICK-UP Service, we feel it's safer!
- Label everything that comes to school, especially backpacks and jackets.
- When shopping for your child's coat, check for easy zippers.
- Please do not send your child in crocs or open toe/open heel shoes. They are not safe for outdoor play or going up and down stairs.
- We encourage children to learn to pour their own juice - please bring bottles of juice instead of juice boxes. All Juices must be labeled as 100% fruit juice.



2+ Friends



DATES TO REMEMBER FOR SEPTEMBER

Thursday 9/21 - Mom's Night Out 7pm (Bunco)

Friday 9/22- No school-Teacher Inservice

Friday 9/29 - Fall Picnic 12-1 (please note new date).

SAVE THE DATES FOR OCTOBER

Wednesday 10/11...School Photos for 3-day and 5-day classes

Thursday 10/12....School Photos for 2 day (2+ & T3) and 4-day classes

Thursday 10/12...7:00pm...WELCOME NIGHT (parent gathering after)

Wednesday 10/18...Vision and Hearing Screenings 3-day and 4-day classes

Thursday 10/19...Vision and Hearing Screening T3 and 5 day classes

Saturday 10/21...Fall Family Fest

Friday 10/27...Orange Day for 2+ and Turning 3 classes

Tuesday 10/31...Orange Day for 3-day, 4-day and 5-day classes



Mrs. Kwilosz 3 day 3s



Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Garvey's 3/4s class

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Emergency Plan

In the event of a **weather related** school closing we usually follow the lead of District 34, this year we will make our own determinations based on the safety of roads and our parking lot. In case of emergency closing parents will be alerted by the Director or their teacher through phone calls and/or text messages. We will also try to post information in advance on our website.

Pest Control Policy

In accordance with Section 407.370.n, of the DCFS Licensing Standards for Day Care Centers, St. David's Nursery School has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program involving the co-operation between school staff and pest control personnel. The school has contracted with Rose Pest Solutions (Northfield, IL) to conduct inspection visits, and if necessary pesticide application, during **the last week of each month** of the year. Commercial chemicals, if used, shall be applied by a licensed pest control operator from Rose and shall meet all standards of the Department of Public Health (Structural Pest Control Code, 77 Ill. Adm. Code 830). Children will not be present during the inspection and/or application of pesticides. Contact Debbie Keller with any questions or concerns.