
ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SUMMER 2024

READING AND MATH ENRICHMENT



Students entering *Pre-K4* August 2024

Dear St. Gregory Parents,

Happy summer! While you are enjoying your summer, please encourage your child to read as much as possible. Reading is one of the most important skills which can impact your child's academic success and confidence!

The following pages have information regarding the math and reading activities our pre-k4 teachers would like your child to complete during the summer. Please send the completed activities with your child on the second day of school.

Our teachers strive to create a healthy social and emotional environment to build independent learners and thinkers in their classrooms. To ensure a positive and successful Pre-Kindergarten year all children should be able to complete the following skills before the start of school.



Self Help Skills

Students should be able to...

1. Zip and unzip backpack
2. Fasten Velcro shoes
3. Open and close lunchbox
4. Verbally state first and last name
5. Verbally express bathroom needs
6. Demonstrate healthy bathroom habits

Social Skills

Students should be able to...

1. Demonstrate sharing
2. Take turns
3. Play with peers
4. Follow simple rules

Pre-Kindergarten Summer Reading



- Read the book *A New Alphabet For Humanity* by Leesa McGregor with your child.
- In addition to this book please read with your child as much as possible.

Pre-Kindergarten 4 Summer Reading Book and Activities

1. **Read the story** to your child during the summer and when school begins bring the activities listed below to class on the first Friday of the first week.

Book title: *A New Alphabet for Humanity*

Author: Leesa McGregor

Illustrator: Daniela Sosa



The author's vision is to nurture the heart, imagination and potential of children everywhere and raise the next generation of heart centered kids.

A New Alphabet for Humanity is an award-winning book that teaches children how to connect with their hearts and become the best version of themselves. We ask that you read this book to your child, ask questions and do the two activities listed below.

They're impacting the world in a number of ways by planting trees, helping to improve global literacy, and providing books to schools and families in need.

2. When I Grow Up

Instructions: You can be anything you want to be. You can imagine doing something you love that makes a difference in the world. Use your imagination and think of something you'd like to do when you grow up. Samples are below. Draw yourself all grown up doing that job.

When I grow up, I will

- A. Help people or animals
- B. Invent something make or sell something
- C. Entertain people
- D. Protect the environment
- E. Write a book
- F. Grow food locally

3. Kindness

Instructions:

Talk to your child about how sharing is kind. During family meals, put out a share plate of food in the middle of the dining table and explain how everyone can enjoy sharing food together. Help your child learn the joy of contributing and being kind to others.

Start a "Good Deeds Day" chart/tracker at home. Challenge each family member to do something kind and thoughtful that day, and then share what each person did at dinnertime. You can create a kindness tracker to record acts of kindness and hang it on the fridge.

Kindness also starts with ourselves. Show your children how important it is to be kind to ourselves, to practice self-care, and ask others for help when we need it.

When your child comes to school send your drawing of “what you want to do when you grow up” and send in the kindness tracker you recorded and we will talk about it in class on the first Friday of the first week.