August 2018

Dear TK Parents,

Welcome! I would like to introduce myself. My name is Mrs. Cindy O'Hara and this is my seventeenth year teaching Transitional Kindergarten, but my twenty eighth year at Saint Ignatius School. Both of my children, Alex and Andrea, are graduates of Saint Ignatius School. I love to work with young children and watch them progress and grow throughout the year. I am looking forward to working with your child this year and helping him/her achieve his/her full potential.

On Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, after the 9:30 mass, there will be a mini Open House of the classroom from 10:30 until 11:00 AM. Hope to see you then and if you like, you can bring student's school supplies with you in a bag marked with their name.

This August your child will start Transitional Kindergarten. I understand that you and your child may meet this day with excitement or apprehension (or a little of both!) School hours on regular days for TK class:

- SESSION 1: 8:00 AM to 12:00
- SESSION 2: 10:45 AM to 3:00 PM
- MINIMUM DAYS /Both Sessions: 8:00 AM to 11:45 AM.

You will receive information about the Transitional Kindergarten curriculum at the annual Back-to-School-Night. I will go over the curriculum and answer any questions. <u>Back-to-School-Night</u> will be held on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>August 16th</u>, <u>2018 at 6:00 PM</u>. Parents gather in the gym for a brief meeting before going to the TK classroom. Please remember that this is a night for adults only.

All TK-ers need to be in uniform (TK students wear <u>WHITE</u> shirts-NOT green, crew length socks-NOT anklets, Navy colored shorts/pants-NO cargo pocket, school jumpers, skirts, skorts ) and have their supplies on the first day of school. Please note: Pencil boxes for **all** TK-ers have already been purchased. Let me know if either item above presents a problem. Any questions about uniform attire please refer to the school website: <u>www.stignatiussacschool.org</u> at the very bottom under more parent resources: TK-8 Handbook.

Parents-TK does not provide snack like preschool, therefore you will need to send a snack with your child everyday beginning with the first day of school. It is a good idea for your student to also bring a water bottle with their name on it! The students have snack daily Session 1 at 9:45 and Session 2 at 1:30. Please be sure your child has a snack (healthy choices are always best) as this is an important social time for the students. <u>Please try to avoid peanut butter as we have students in the school who are allergic!</u>

Thank You and God Bless,

Cindy O'Hara

Transitional Kindergarten Teacher