

Welcome Pre-K Families,

My name is Sally Schroedl, and I'm thrilled to be teaching your kiddos this year at SJV! I have my master's in teaching and taught 2nd grade for 10 years before taking some time off to be home with my 2 boys. During that time off, I taught PreK to a small neighborhood group at my house and in 2023 started working as a part-time assistant at SJV shortly after my youngest son Henry started attending the 3's class.

This year we will be focusing on getting your child ready for kindergarten both academically and socially. I believe in a literacy rich environment so pre-reading skills will be a big theme this year. We will also focus on friendship, creativity and problem solving through a fun play-based curriculum. Our classroom will be a place where curiosity is welcomed, and every child's individuality is celebrated.

I will be creating monthly calendars that will give you a snapshot of what your child will be learning as well as important dates to remember. You will find our September calendar attached to this letter and all subsequent calendars will be sent via email.

For the month of September, we will be focusing on getting to know each other, learning classroom routines and getting started on our numbers and letters.

Pre-K skills: We will be exploring the classroom and getting to know our learning spaces and how to take care of them.

Literacy: Letter naming and sounds: A and B. Pre reading skills: listening attentively to read alouds and talking about books as well as an intro to reading pictures.

Math: 1-1 counting and number recognition 1-10.

Science: We will be doing apple science as we take advantage of our school's fabulous apple tree.

Please send your child with a teddy bear or special stuffy to school on Sept 30th. Please make sure their stuffy can comfortably fit in their red school bag.

Finally, your child will be eating lunch at school. Please pack a non-perishable, peanut/nut free lunch for your child. There is no need to pack a drink since water will be provided for them at snack and lunchtime.

I look forward to a wonderful year of discovery, fun and learning and am here if you have any questions or concerns along the way!

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