



# NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER

## From the Director's Desk

A warm welcome to all our Preschoolers! We hope you had a blast this summer and are ready for this year's learning adventure! Preschool is a time for children to expand their love of learning, their general knowledge, their ability to get along with others and their interest in reaching out to the world. Our educational program is set to meet all that and provide a nurturing environment. While preschool marks an important transition, it is important that children still get to be children. "Your children are in for a treat!" Preschool life is sweet with all the fun and activities. Let's all gear up for a successful year!

I would like to take a moment to introduce myself, my name is Robin Hughes, and I am the preschool director. I have been working at St. Gregory the Great for over ten years. I have a master's degree in early childhood and childhood education as well as holding a teaching certificate in Special Education. I received my master's degree and Special Education certificate from Manhattanville College.

Having instructed preschool children for many years now has given me the ability to implement age-appropriate curriculums, designed to achieve long-range goals for children in language, literacy, mathematics, science, social and emotional development, and creative arts. I have had much success in setting curriculum goals that are realistic, attainable, and appropriate for the preschool classroom. It is especially important to me to have a strong working relationship with my staff, students, parents, and the community. I value effective communication and value strong working relationships with all our St. Gregory families. I'm looking forward to a great year!

~Mrs. Hughes~

**September Dates:**

- September 3:**      **Staff Orientation**
- September 4:      *Meet & Greet 3's & Assessments 4's*
- September 5:      *Meet & Greet 3's & Assessments 4's*
- September 6:      *Teacher Planning Day*
- September 9:      *Threes and Fours Group A 9 - 11:30 a.m.*
- September 10:     *Threes and Fours Group B 9 - 11:30 am*
- September 11:     *Threes and Fours Group A & B: 9 - 11:30*
- September 12:     *Threes and Fours Group A & B 9 - 11:30*
- September 13:     *Threes and Fours Group A & B 9 - 11:30*
- September 16:     *Full School Schedule Begins*
- Morning Session: 8:45 to 11:30 a.m.*
- Full Day: 8:45 to 2:30 p.m.*
- September 16 - 22: *Sign Up for Extracurricular Activities*
- September 18:     *Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Sale and*  
                            *Hometown Holidays Catalog Sale*
- September 23:     *Extracurricular Programs Begin*
- September 25:     *PTA Hanging with Mrs. Hughes 9 a.m.*

