

Welcome to St. Stan's Kindergarten

Information packet

Teacher: Mrs. Mundy

Welcome to Saint Stanislaus Kostka School! We are so excited to have your child as a part of our kindergarten class! Kindergarten is an important year of social and intellectual growth. This is a prepared guide of what to expect in the upcoming year.

Communication: Parental involvement in a child's education is essential to school success. I look forward to working with you and your child to help your child rise to their fullest potential. I can be reached at my email, the class dojo, or a written note placed in your child's folder. On the first day of school, I will send home information about connecting to the classroom dojo app. I will send home newsletters and put updated information in the dojo regularly. The office sends home important notices every month in a "white envelope." Please empty this envelope and return it the next day. Additionally, every week the office will email an electronic "white envelope" with important information. Additional information can be found on the school website such as school calendar, lunch menu, upcoming events, etc.

I can be contacted at cmundy@sskschool.org.

<u>Discipline</u>: all children deserve to learn in a cooperative, productive environment. Children are encouraged to follow the classroom routine to benefit all. There is a classroom behavior chart. Each child has their name on a clothespin on green, "Ready to Learn", each day. If they make good choices, they can move up to blue, "Excellent Effort, or purple, "Super Student." Children are praised for staying on task and helping others. If students need to be redirected multiple times, they move to yellow, "Make better choices." They are given gentle reminders. If the conflict persists they move to red, and you are contacted.

<u>Curriculum:</u> your child will learn Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Religion. They will also have special classes; gym, art, computers, and STEM. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) It is my goal that all children will enter first grade as proficient readers. Your support at home is essential to their success. Consider incorporating a reading routine at home with your child. Being read to will help children learn to be fluent readers.

<u>Homework:</u> Homework will be given Monday-thursday most weeks. It will always be labeled in your child's folder. Please always return the next day.

<u>Dress Code:</u> kindergarteners are required to wear the school uniform which can be purchased from Flynn and O'Hara. Please see the school

handbook and attached sheet for information on the dress code. Since all uniforms are the same, it is very important to label them with your child's name. Be sure to label EVERYTHING that comes to school (jackets, hates, backpack, lunchbox, etc.)

<u>Transportation:</u> This packet contains s transportation form to fill out and return on the <u>first day of school.</u> This way we will know how your child is getting home on their first day as well as the rest of the year. With any change of dismissal, please always write a note and/or contact the office. You can email Kim Carlson, our secretary. Her email is <u>kcarlson@sskschool.org</u>.

Please **Do Not** message me on the dojo. It is very important we know about the change of dismissal ahead of time. I do not always have time to check my email/class dojo throughout the day. Thank you! In an emergency, the change of dismissal.

<u>Lunch</u>: hot or cold lunch can be purchased from the cafeteria or children can bring in their own. All information about purchasing lunch will be in the white envelope. We will have snack every day. Please send in a <u>separate</u> bag from their lunch box, labeled with their name. If your child goes to Aftercare, please label which snack is for aftercare.

<u>Birthdays:</u> Your child may dress out of uniform on their birthday. Please follow the out-of-uniform code in the school handbook.

St. Stan's is a wonderful community to be a part of! I am excited to work with you and your child this year!

Mrs. Catherine Mundy

Uniform Guidelines

Please read the handbook carefully for the guidelines concerning proper uniform

Here are some important reminders regarding the school uniform.

- 1. Loop or hanging earrings are not permitted. Girls are only allowed to wear stud earrings. 1 in each ear.
- 2. Jewelry such as bracelets and rings are not permitted. Children can only wear a crucifix necklace worn inside the shirt. Wash off tattoos and nail polishes are also not permitted. Hair bows, head bands, and pony tail holders should be small and conservative.
- 3. Children can wear the spring uniform from the beginning of school until October 1st and then again from May 1 until the end of the school year. The spring uniform consists of St. Stan's polo shirt and shorts (or skort for the girls). Children must wear a black or white belt with the shorts and white socks which go up to mid-calf and sneakers. Please practice with your child buckling and unbuckling the belt. Braided belts are the easiest to use.
- 4. The regular school uniform must be worn from October 1st until May 1st. For the boys, it consists of the white button down shirt (long or short sleeve), school pants, black belt and tie. Black dress shoes must be worn as well. For the girls, the uniform is the white button down shirt with a peter pan collar, the jumper dress, grey school socks or tights, and black school shoes. Girls can also wear the peter pan shirt with grey girl's school pants, black or white belt, school socks, and black school shoes. Be advised that school shoes should be comfortable and sturdy enough for your child to walk in easily and play with on the playground.
- 5. Children may also wear the school sweater or vest with their uniform
- 6. The gym uniform should be worn on gym day. It consists of the red St. Stan's sweatshirt and pants and grey St. Stan's tee shirt. The spring gym uniform consists of the same grey shirt and red St. Stan's shorts. With all gym uniforms, children should wear white socks which go up to mid-calf and sneakers.

Transportation Form

Please fill out and return on the first day of school. It is very important to have this form filled out and sent in so we know how your child is getting home. Please check off one of the following:

My child	will always go home by car unless otherwise noted.
My child	will always go home by bus unless otherwise noted.
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My child	will always go to aftercare unless otherwise note.

Please list below any exceptions: (For example: On Mon. and Wed. my child will go by car, and Tues., Thurs., and Fri. he or she will go by bus. Another example is: My child will go home by car for the fist day of school then he or she will take the bus. Etc)

Getting to know your Kindergartener

Child's name Likes to be called
Address
Home Phone Cell Phones
Child's Date of Birth Siblings
E-mail address
5 words that describe your child's personality:
What do you see as your child's strengths/special abilities?
What do you see as your child's weaknesses/fears?
What comforts your child when he/she is upset?
Please describe any allergies/medical issues/special needs:
What are your goals for your child this year?
Anything else I should know?

Please return on or before the first day of school. All answers will be kept confidential.

Donations

We would like to ask for donations for classroom rewards. We like to reward good behavior in the class with small "prizes." We are looking for items such as fun erasers, bouncy balls, happy meal toys, small animal toys, etc. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and go a long way into improving student motivation to do the right thing. Thank you!!