



Cardinal Connect



August 16, 2018

St. Philip Staff 2018 - 2019 Welcomes You!

Mr. Raymond E Zinnel – Principal
Mrs. Julie Stephan – Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Christine Thung– Preschool Director
Mrs. Rachel Johnson – Preschool Teacher
Mrs. Wendy Tetzloff – Preschool Teacher
Mrs. Stephanie Kimble – Preschool Aide

Mrs. Beth Agnew – Transitional Kindergarten Teacher
Mrs. Christie Bru – Kindergarten Teacher

Mrs. Chris Terres – Physical Education Teacher

Mrs. Bette Stark – A.M. Extended Day Care
Ms. Niara Baldrige – P.M Extended Day Care
Ms. Stephanie St. John – P.M Extended Day Care

Back- to –School Night:

Our annual “**Back-to-School Night**” for the TK and Kindergarten is on **Wednesday, August 29th**. We hope you will all come to meet with the teachers and to get acquainted with other school parents. **This is an informational evening for parents and guardians only.** Here is the schedule for the night:

- 7:00 – 7:30 General Assembly in Church for TK and Kindergarten parents
- 7:30 – 8:00 Classroom Sessions
- 8:00 – 8:30 Classroom Sessions Repeated (this provides opportunity for those of you with more than one child to go to other classrooms)

Preschool Back-to-School Night is on **Thursday, August 30th**

- Preschool 3's families meet in the church from 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
- Preschool 4's families meet in the church from 6:45 – 7:30 p.m.



Chapel News: One of our traditions here at SPLS has been that our students from the Preschool morning class – Kindergarten come together each Wednesday morning at 8:40 to have chapel. Please know that parents and guardians are always invited to attend this special time of worship with the students. We would love to have you join us in worship!



Gates: The gates are for safety during the school day. Gates will be shut shortly after school begins and opened a few minutes before the end of the day. The parking lot gate will be closed again at 3:15 to ensure the safety of the after school day care children. For those of you picking up children from after school day care you will need to use the intercom system located on the gate near the playground. The intercom system is attached to the extended day care room so it will allow the day care staff to see and speak with people at the gate. If you come to pick up your child from day care and the gate is locked, just push the red button and the bell will ring in the day care room. The staff will then be able to “buzz” you in so that you can sign your child out of day care.



September 24-28

It's a whimsical place full of irresistible books kids can't wait to read so their imaginations can grow!

The book fair benefits every classroom with new books!

We are looking for volunteers to assist with this event. This is a perfect way to earn PPP (Parent Participation Program) hours and help SPLS earn books for the classrooms.

To sign up, or contact Mrs. Stephan in the school office at schooladmin@stphilipchurch.com or 925-829-3857

We are so grateful for your support!

We are sending home pizza orders this week for the first quarter for TK and Kindergarten. The first pizza day will be Friday, August 24th.



A Word from the Principal

I want to welcome all students and parents to our school, especially those who are new. We have a very professional staff and a safe environment for your child. We have a new Preschool Director, Christine Thung. If you haven't met her, please do. We are excited and looking forward to a great year.

ATTENDANCE: The key to your child's school success!


- Research show that children who are in school most of the time do better on standardized tests.
- Being late for school hurts a child's learning! A student who is 10 minutes late every day will miss 30 hours of instruction during the year!
- Children can take notes or make up an assignment, but they can never get back what's most important: the discussions, the questions, the explanations by the teacher and the thinking that makes learning come alive!
- Your child's success in school depends on having a solid educational background, one that only can be gained through regular school attendance.

Schools are responsible for teaching your child...but, schools can't do their job if your child is absent. Learning builds day by day. A child who misses a day of school misses a day of learning!

Here are some ways of building your child's school attendance:

- Talk to them about the importance of school attendance
- Avoid scheduling family trips or doctors appointments during school
- Help them stay healthy by eating nutritious food and getting enough sleep and exercise
- Discuss what happened at school each day
- Support school rules
- Show them that education is important
- Lead by example

Research shows that attendance is the single most important factor in school success!



Parents & Guardians...the Cardinal Connect is our weekly newsletter and is full of important information. The Cardinal Connect normally comes out on each Thursday. Your child will bring a hard copy home and you will receive an electronic copy as well. Please be sure to read the CC to stay connected to the events at SPLS.

Did you know we can order Visa SCRIP gift cards in \$50, \$100 or \$250 denominations? And there's no fee!



LifeTouch

School Picture day is right around the corner! **Tuesday, September 4th is Fall Picture Day.** All students, including preschool through kindergarten students and staff will have their pictures taken for the yearbook. Make up picture day will be **Wednesday, October 10.**

Picture information will be sent home Friday, August 24 with your child.

Below is a link to pre-order your pictures.

<http://www.orderschoolportraits.com/St-Philip-Lutheran-School-C2166.aspx>

Friendly Reminder:
NO SCHOOL on
Monday,
September 3rd Labor
Day Holiday!



St. Philip Church is sponsoring the following event



Family Picnic

Saturday
August 25th

11am – 2pm

St. Philip Church
8850 Davona Drive
Dublin, CA 94568

Free
Food, Bounce House,
Games, and More