

September



2007

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old
he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6

Let's Swing Into Our New Year! We love your kids! We are “bananas” about the possibilities for learning and growing and developing new relationships. We enjoyed meeting with so many of you at our recent Home Visits and on the Welcome to School morning. We are honored that you have entrusted your precious little ones to our care and, with God's help and guidance, we'll do all we can to make this year a meaningful and fun school year.

There are currently 46 students in our Pre-Kindergarten classes, 36 in our Preschool classes, and 35 spots are filled in Children's Day Out. Praise God!

Let's Communicate: An EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRY newsletter, like this one, will be sent home each month. There will also be specific information sent home regularly by your child's teacher. Please check your child's book bag each day for important school information. Extra copies are on the Tell-Us Trellis, by the ECM Office.

The “Tell-Us Trellis”: Interested in what's happening in the **Elementary School**? Principal Laura Montgomery will publish a newsletter twice a month. Help yourself to a copy in the Tell-Us Trellis. **Church newsletters** will also be kept in a rack for whenever you are interested. Anything that is happening at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church or School is open to your family! Please feel free to join us for worship, Bible study, support groups, or many other fellowship and Christian growth activities.

You can also access information about the ECM, School, Church, current lunch menus, calendars, etc., on our website: **abidingsaviorlutheran.org**

Your E-Mail: We are developing an e-mail list of all of our parents so we can send reminders, updates, photos, etc. Most of you gave us a current e-mail address at the Welcome to School day. We will put one e-mail address in our system per household. Please keep us informed if your e-mail –or if ANY of your contact information – changes. (This info will only be used within our school.)

Book Orders: Reading to your child each day is one of the best ways to support her/his education (and a great chance to snuggle!) We offer Scholastic Books every other month. Watch for the book orders to be sent home! (A portion of the sales helps provide books for our classrooms!)

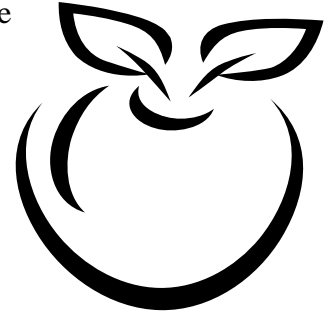


Dress Comfy: Dress your children in comfortable shoes and clothes. It helps if they can unfasten pants for easy bathroom use (although, we're available if needed). Girls should wear shorts under dresses – we do a lot of movement on the floor.

**Abiding Savior Lutheran
Early Childhood Ministry**

Preschool and Pre-K Snack Schedule: All of our families are asked to take several turns throughout the school year to provide snacks for their child's class. A snack schedule and snack idea list are being sent home and you will receive monthly reminders. Please talk to your child's teacher if you have any conflicts or questions with the schedule. Birthdays or ½ birthdays will be celebrated.

Children's Day Out, Lunch Bunch & Preschool Plus: Please send simple lunches that your child will eat. A milk card (for 10 milks) can be purchased for \$1.00. NO soda is allowed. For Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten students, ordering from the school's Hot Lunch menu order is an option – but the order deadline of Thursday at 9 am (for the following week) is strictly enforced.



Medical & Emergency Forms must be returned immediately, for your child's safety and in accordance with Missouri state regulations. We appreciate your cooperation. (Returning students only need to update their immunizations.) Thanks to all of you who have already brought in your information!

Medication: According to Missouri regulation, teachers are not allowed to dispense ANY medication to a student without a doctor's written request. Forms are available.

WHAT'S AHEAD FOR SEPTEMBER:

Jesus Time: We're getting to know our Best Friend, Jesus, and learning how much He loves, cares, and forgives us all. We'll celebrate His creation and the loving families He's given us.

School Pictures will be taken by a professional photographer on September 18 & 19. Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten class and individual photos will be taken. (Order forms are being sent home.)

Children's Day Out: Apples, apples, apples! God Made Me!

Preschool: Curious George helps us explore the school! Learning through our 5 senses.

Pre-K: Getting to know each other, community rules, and our school. 5 Senses fun!

OUR SNACK PRAYER FOR SEPTEMBER:

*Our hands we fold, Our heads we bow.
For food and drink, We thank you now. Amen.*

Looking Ahead:

Sunday, September 16: Have your family join the fun at Arnold Days Parade(see flier)

September 27, 10-11:30: GRANDPARENTS DAY for all Preschool classes

September 28, 10-11:30: GRANDPARENTS DAY for all Pre-Kindergarten classes

Thursday, October 11, 6:30-8 p.m.: DAD's Night for all Preschool and Pre-K students

Friday, October 12 : NO SCHOOL, due to Teacher Workshop

Wed, October 17: FIELD TRIPS to Powder Valley Nature Center for Pre-K classes

Sun. afternoon, October 28: HEALTHY KIDS HARVEST PARTY (Family fun for all!)