

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I am very honored and delighted to have your child in my class next year. I know we will have a wonderful time together! I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself a bit. I am a Sister of the Presentation of Mary with over 16 years of experience working with young children in a preschool setting. I love teaching Pre-Kindergarten because young children are filled with curiosity and wonder about the world around them. I believe young children grow and develop best by using hands on materials that encourage their natural curiosity.

Next year, our daily classroom schedule will be carefully planned to encourage independence, self-confidence, group cooperation, and love of God through large group, small group, and one-on-one teacher-directed experiences. It is my hope that the activities I plan will enhance and empower your child to learn reading, math, writing, science, religion, art, music, fine/gross motor skills, social/emotional skills, and language development next year and in the future.

I just completed my first year of teaching at St. Francis of Assisi School. It was such a joy to be part of our Catholic school family. Thank you so much for choosing St. Francis of Assisi School for your child. A Catholic education is one of the most important investments you can make for your child's future, and I congratulate you on making this faith-filled choice for your child.

In closing, I look forward to a positive, exciting, and rewarding school year with you and your child! If you have any questions in the meantime, you may communicate with me via email or contact the school office. I can be reached at gauthierh@StFrancisSchoolNH.org. Have a wonderful, relaxing, and restful summer! I am eager to meet you in person at the end of the summer. Below, I've provided a few ideas to keep you little one busy this summer.

- Write your letters in salt, sand, shaving cream, finger paint, or sidewalk chalk
- Play "I spy," using colors, shapes, letter sounds, or descriptions of objects
- Read to your child
- Play games with ABC & 123 flash cards
- Count everything you can
 - Use beans, raisins, or Cheerios for counting to help improve fine motor skills
- Cook together and have your child do the measuring
- When driving, point out signs and stores
- Have your child create their own artwork and, then, practice "signing" it
- Use scissors to practice cutting paper just for fun
- Google learning activities for preschool

Have Fun While Learning!!!

Prayerfully,

Sr. Holly

