

JANUARY NEWS 2026

Happy 2026! I hope you had a relaxing and restful break. I am also hopeful this new year finds you healthy and ready to start 2026. We are beyond excited to welcome our Mini Warriors back into the building!

I spent some time over break deep cleaning and organizing the classroom. The space looks a little different, I am sure your preschooler is going to love it!

This month we will be starting to work more with scissors. The best and easiest thing for us to cut are magazines and newspaper ads. If you have any at home with pictures the children would be interested in, for example: toys, cars, dolls, houses, Disney characters, etc. Will you send them to school when you are finished with them? We love to cut them out and glue them to paper and then staple them to make our very own books.

We will also discuss the New Year, symmetry, animals in winter, and winter weather. Speaking of winter weather, here is a reminder of the weather policy on closures and delays:

- If SMS is on a two-hour delay, morning care will NOT be offered for Preschool, and we will start at our usual time of 9:00am (K-8 will drop off from 9:30-9:50). There is no rush to get to school. Arrive whenever you feel it is safe.
- If St. Matthew closes, Preschool will be closed as well.

I will send out a Seesaw message as soon as I know of any delay or closure. The school also reports information to the local TV stations as well as social media. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Please be sure to read all of the information below about all of the things happening in preschool this month!

NOTABLE DATES THIS MONTH:

- First day back from winter break- Tuesday, Jan. 6
- St. Matthew School Open House for future Warriors- Tuesday, Jan. 20, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM. Please spread the word about our open house to your friends and family!
- Popcorn Day- Tuesday, Jan. 27.
- Catholic Schools Week (CSW)- Jan 27-29, special dress days for CSW to be announced.

Welcome back and Happy New Year! Please let me know you have any questions!

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