

# Saint Luke's Little Saints Preschool & Kindergarten

Saint Luke's Presbyterian Church

Out of the good treasure of the heart comes good things.

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News from Miss Carol's pink & green office



## SLLS Kindergarten Informational Meeting

Tuesday, November 28

after drop off

in the Kindergarten Classroom

Join our Kindergarten teacher, Carol Waller, and SLLS-K parent speakers for an open forum discussion on the benefits of enrolling your Little Saint in our Kindergarten program.

All interested SLLS parents are welcome to attend.

Bring a friend! Our community neighbors are also welcome!

**Please see reverse for SLLS-K "stats!"**



# remind

Communicate safely with students & parents.

### PLEASE SIGN UP!

Our school has implemented this **safety communication tool** which will be used exclusively for alerts and emergencies. An email was sent with a link for you to sign up. Thank you, Parents!



## Instagram

We're on Instagram!

Stay connected to SLLS this year.

Follow us on our private account:

@saintlukeslittlesaints

*\*We will only accept SLLS families!\**

## A Treasured Tradition

We are collecting non-perishable food items to contribute to the **Community Action Center.**

Please drop your contributions off at the pumpkin patch table in our lobby.



## I'm Glad You Asked!

Who's the "new guy" walking around school?

Meet Tyrique Glass!

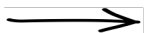


In July, Ty started his part time job at the church as Facilities Manager. From the start, he has been a great asset to our school, jumping in daily to help us in all areas! His full time job is Operational Manager at a hotel and in his down time, Ty enjoys playing basketball, working out and watching sports on TV.

When asked what he likes about working at SLLS, Ty answered, "The excitement of the little kids - they make me laugh!"

## November Treasured Times

Nov TBD	Conferences
Nov 7	School Closed: Elections
Nov 20-24	School Closed: Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov 28 9:30	Kindergarten Information meeting
Dec 7 11:30	Christmas Program NO LB; K dismiss at 12:15
Dec 13	Last Day of 1st Semester NO LB; K dismiss at 12:15
Dec 14 9:30	Santa's Workshop Camp
Dec 14-Jan 2	School Closed: Merry Christmas!



## Fun Facts about SLLS Kindergarten

K began Fall of 2006 ~ this is our 14th year of SLLS-K with a total of 173 K students through the years

Betsy Collins was the first teacher and Libby Nelson led for the following nine years.

Carol Waller is in her fourth year as SLLS Lead Kindergarten teacher. Carol has extensive experience teaching Pre-K, K, and 1st.

Statistics as of 11/2023:

98 students matriculated to 1st grade

4 matriculated to Pre-1st

47 went to Kindergarten again

65 SLLS K families have applied to over 30 different private schools in Atlanta with 90 acceptances

### SLLS Kindergarten

\*Accredited in 2020 by NGAUMC Preschool Assoc. as a Program of Excellence for Young Children

\*Accredited 2009 - 2019 by AdvancEd

9:15 ~ 1:15

M ~ F

Children bring lunch from home

Tuition: \$435/month

### SLLS Kindergarten Curriculum

Phonics: From Sounds to Spelling

Guided Reading: Learning A to Z

Letter Formation Program: Handwriting Without Tears

Creative Writing: Writer's Workshop

Math: KinderMath

Science & Social Studies: resourced from GELDS

(GA Early Learning and Development Standards)

S.T.E.A.M.

Chapel with Music

Daily Recess

## What Parents Say About SLLS Kindergarten

For us, I would say the biggest asset is the loving and nurturing environment created by the SLLS staff. The **small class size** caters to more one on one interactions amongst the kids and teachers but also between the parents and the teachers. I feel I have a good grasp on what is happening at school. *Lindsay Schmoyer, former K parent*

Carol Waller, my son's K teacher, did an awesome job getting him ready for First Grade. The small class size gave him an opportunity to thrive without being overwhelming. He had no problem transitioning to a private school for first grade that is quite challenging academically. His test scores were so high he qualified for enrichment classes. The K program at SLLS does a great job preparing students academically. *Allison Lytle, former K parent*

Noor looked forward to school every day. She loved learning in such a friendly and nurturing environment. With only 7 students, there was much opportunity for 1 on 1 time with Carol Waller, Lead K teacher. Noor also had an additional 2 teachers,; she progressed well and we attribute that to Saint Luke's Little Saints. *Salina Paarlberg, former and current K parent*

We are so grateful both of our kids got to experience Kindergarten at Saint Luke's Little Saints. The small class size and amazing, nurturing environment made such a difference in their confidence levels. They both transitioned easily to first grade at public school thanks to everything they learned from Miss Carol Waller and the experience was a wonderful foundation for education, friendship and learning about God's love. *Bailey Dean, former K parent*

We were very happy with Ryland's Kindergarten experience at SLLS! He was so excited to go to school every day, and he couldn't wait to tell us what he has learned at the end of each day. We saw great improvement in his reading, writing, and math skills. The smaller class size with two teachers is invaluable at this age. We highly recommend SLLS Kindergarten. *Jennifer DeCinque, former K parent*

After going through SLLS Kindergarten, our daughter went on to Wesleyan's Pre-First program. She was ahead of the game as compared to the other students in her class in reading, math skills, and emotional maturity, which I believe is primarily attributable to her time at SLLS, and in the Kindergarten class. If not for her late summer birthday, she would have gone straight to first grade, and I can say with complete confidence that it would have been just as smooth of a transition. **Her reading skills in particular skyrocketed during the SLLS-K year.** SLLS's Kindergarten program allowed her to be a big fish in a small pond for one more year. She is now a confident, high-achieving student! *Claire Barnett, alum K parent*

