



Fearless Fireflies



Ms. Kathleen & Ms. Natalie

Welcome to the Transitional Two's class. This year we will be known as the Fearless Fireflies! Our theme verse for the year is *"Let your light shine before men; so that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father who is in heaven"* **Matthew 5:16**

Dear Parents/ or Guardians,

Hi, I'm Ms. Kathleen. I would love to introduce myself to you. I have been in the ministry of working with children of all age groups from infants to high schoolers. I started with teaching Sunday school and nursery at my church. I have an absolute passion in making a difference in the lives of others.

I currently serve in the youth/ children's ministries, worship team as a coordinator/ vocalist, part of a young women's ministry and food ministry at my church, Michigan Heights Baptist Church. I have worked here at First Baptist Christian School in the preschool department, mainly in the infants and toddlers for about 7 months. I have also just gained experience working for the elementary department as the director for the school's summer club program.

I love art, sports, and enjoy cooking. I have worked for the Boys and Girls Club of Stockton for 2 years and I worked with children that had learning disabilities for a year.

I am looking forward to working hand in hand with you and your child. I am looking forward to a year full of learning and having fun. Most importantly, having your children learn about Jesus and how they could "shine their light" for Him.

We want to see your child shine brightly for Jesus! Thank you for entrusting them to us so that we may help them to become the children God wants them to be! It is my personal mission to show them Christ's unconditional love always and we will do our best to create a positive learning environment.

Let me know of any questions or concerns that you may have. It is important to me that we keep an open communication. Thank you again and I am excited for the new year together.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen

Dear Families,

Welcome to the Fearless Fireflies class. I have been attending First Baptist Church since the age of two and I am also an alumni of First Baptist Christian School. I started preschool right here at the age of four. In 2017, I graduated from Jim Elliot Christian High School and have just completed my first year at San Joaquin Delta College. I am a full-time student with a major in Liberal Studies with a concentration in Exceptional Children and Youth. During my first year in college, I have also completed my course work and I am a fully qualified preschool teacher. I enjoy using the information I obtain in school and putting it into action in the classroom. I am excited for the new school year and have been planning and developing my circle time activities. Ms. Kathleen and I are excited to share our love of Jesus with your child. This will be a great year of growth spiritually, physically, and academically for your child.

One of my first educational goals is to work on name recognition. I would like to request a small picture of your child's face (no larger than 1 ½ inches). Any picture will be great. I am going to attach the picture to a popsicle stick and have each child come to a name chart and work on locating their name. If you could return the picture by Wednesday, August 8th, I would appreciate it. I would like to have it available for parents to see at Back to School Night on Monday, August 13th. Thank you for entrusting your child into my care.

In His Love,

Natalie Pinasco

*Classroom Supply List below



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In the transitional two's class we work in partnership with parents to assist in potty training your child. Here are a few helpful suggestions:

- Place your child in traditional underwear as soon as possible to assist them with receiving the sensory queues of when they are wet or soiled.
- Remind them to “try” to go potty every thirty minutes to one hour.

We ask that you bring only pull-ups or traditional underwear to assist in reinforcing self-help skills. Placing your child in pull-ups allows your child to master the up and down process.

We also ask that all beverages you provide come in sippy cups or thermoses. Bottles are not used in the two's classroom. Also, our classrooms from Transitional Two's through Pre-K do not have refrigerators. Please utilize ice packs to keep your child's food cold.

Each child will have a cubby with their name on it. Here is a list of what your child will need:

- 4-6 changes of weather-appropriate clothing. These items are used when your child has an accident or gets dirty. Quantity may vary for your child dependent on their stage of potty training.
- Clothing should include socks and 1 extra/ old pair of shoes.
- One box of small, 3-gallon garbage bags to send home your child's soiled clothing.
- Baby wipes.
- Weather appropriate outerwear as you see fit.
- A small blanket for nap time if you desire.

Please clearly label all items with child's name.

Daily Reminders

- Please make sure to sign your child in at drop off and sign your child out at departure.
- Check your child's file daily.
- Sign your child's About My Day form. Please take the white copy and place the yellow copy in the container provided at the sign-in desk.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions. We look forward to an awesome year.