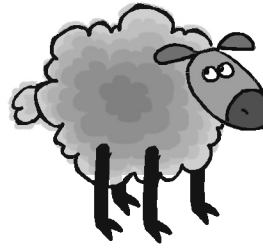


**Meet the teachers
of...**

The Lions & The Lambs.



Greetings from the Lamb Room...

Welcome to St. Mary Magdalen Preschool. My name is Wende Cofield and I will be your child's teacher this year along with Mrs. Donohue. We team teach the three year old Lamb Room! We are looking forward to a fun year of growth and learning.

I am originally from Connecticut. My husband and I moved to the Brighton community 20 years ago! This is a wonderful area. I have been teaching preschool for the last 9 years and still enjoy every minute.

I have three daughters. The youngest just started her freshman year at Western Michigan University. That went fast! I have many hobbies that I enjoy. Painting, sewing, and playing golf are just a few of them.

St. Mary Magdalen has a warm supportive environment and we are so fortunate to be able to teach here! We hope you and your child will have a very exiting and positive experience with us!!!

Blessings, Wende Cofield



Hi!

My name is Mrs. Donohue and I will be co-teaching the three-year old class with Mrs. Cofield. We really enjoy teaching together. We are so excited to start a new year building relationships with the children and their parents.

I have been teaching preschool for 13 years now with the same wonderful staff. I really have a BIG heart for the children. They are so precious. They are so interested in learning and having fun. The best part of my job is that I get to PLAY with them!

I live in Pinckney and have two children. Kaitlin is 20 and is attending WCC this Fall. It will be a busy fall since I will be doing some of the transporting to and from Ann Arbor. Rye is 17 and a Senior at Pinckney Community High School. He is playing position one in singles this year. I am very proud of him since he just started playing tennis as a sophomore.

I am looking forward to another fun year at St. MM Preschool. The children, parents, teachers, director and staff at St. Mary Magdalen are such a blessing in my life.

Love, Mrs. Donohue

The roar of the Lions...

Hello to all the 4 year old students, parents, and family members. My name is Kathy Riccardi and I will be co-teaching with Mrs. Abraham in the 4 yr. old room. Mrs. Abraham and I have worked together for a long time. We try to make the classroom a fun learning experience.

Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I have been married to my college sweetheart for over 24 years. We have 2 boys, Stephen is a Freshman this year at Michigan State University and is studying political science. Andrew is 15 and will be starting his freshman year at Hartland High School. We moved to Brighton in 1996 and became members of St. Mary Magdalen church a few years later when it was still being held at Farms Intermediate School. I can't wait to start the new school year in our new surroundings. It should be awesome! I started teaching preschool here in Brighton about 12 years ago. I just love being around this age group, everyday is a new adventure and thrill. I am so glad that you will be spending the year with us in the 4's, it will be so much fun!

God's Blessings, Mrs. Kathy Riccardi

Dear Parents, Welcome to the four year old Lion's room. I am Sue Abraham and I will be co-teaching with Mrs. Riccardi. This is my thirteenth year teaching preschool and I love it today as much as the day I first stepped into a classroom. It is such a blessing being able to work with young children and watch the world through their eyes. They are little sponges and it is amazing to watch them grow intellectually, emotionally and socially throughout the year.

My husband Gary and I have lived in Brighton for 30 years. Gary lost his job last year after 31 years in the corporate world and we have now established our own business. You may see me around town in another role as Mrs. Puroclean, as I assist in the family business. We have three adult children and one granddaughter, who is the light of my life. Our daughter, Jillian Killian (ya gotta love the name) and her husband Johnathon are expecting their first child in April. If the baby is a girl, I begged them not to name her Lillian!

I am looking forward to a wonderful year with you and your child. I can't wait to hear the roar of our little lions!

God's Blessings,
Mrs. Sue Abraham

