

Mrs. Kim Stone Smith
Kindergarten Teacher/Drama Teacher
Bachelor's Degree in Pre K Primary Education
Master's Degree in Reading
Professional Certificate in Pre K Primary Education, Elementary Education and Reading K – 12
Also holds an ESOL certificate for English language learners

Mrs. Smith is a native Floridian born and raised right here in Port Charlotte. She is a lifelong member of St. Charles Catholic Church and attended St. Charles Borromeo School from first through eighth grade. Mrs. Smith graduated from Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School in Sarasota and then moved to Birmingham, Alabama, to attend college. There Mrs. Smith met her husband, Clark. Upon his graduation from college in 1988, the Smiths and their new son, Collin, returned to Port Charlotte. The Smiths added another son, Corey, and a daughter, Carli, to their family. All three Smith kids attended St. Charles School, like their mom!

During this time, Mrs. Smith Graduated from Barry University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Pre K Primary Education. Mrs. Smith joined the staff of St. Charles Borromeo in 2000, teaching Pre K. She continued to work on her Master's degree in Reading, which she received in 2007. Upon graduation, Mrs. Smith was awarded the Dean's Award for academic excellence and service to others and graduated Summa Cum Laude while working full time and raising her family.

Mrs. Smith holds certifications in Pre K Primary Education, Elementary Education, and Reading K-12 grades. She has her endorsement in ESOL.

Mrs. Smith left St. Charles to teach in Lee County at North Ft. Myers Academy for the Arts. While there, she taught Kindergarten, Grades 4, 5, and Middle School Reading and Language Arts. She was the elementary Drama teacher, the Yearbook Advisor, and also taught TV Production. In 2012, Mrs. Smith was awarded The Golden Apple Award for Lee County Teachers.

She returns to St. Charles just as the third generation of Smith's begins their academic journey. Her oldest son, Collin, and his wife, Suzie, have two daughters, Braelynn, currently in Kindergarten, and Gracelynn, who will join PreK 4 next year. Her daughter Carli and her husband CJ have a future crusader; two-year-old Wyatt will hopefully follow in the family tradition. Her son Corey and his wife Veronica may have to do distance learning as they raise their son, Oliver, and daughter, Kennedy, in Ohio. Family and tradition are essential to Mrs. Smith and her family. "I feel like I am at home when I am in my classroom. St. Charles has had such an impact in my life...the teachers, the friends that I've made here as a student, the colleagues that challenge me each day to be my best...it is where God's plan has placed me again. I am thankful for the opportunity to share in the lives of such amazing children. I am truly blessed."