



Best Beginnings Preschool Family Newsletter September 2018

On behalf of the staff here at Best Beginnings Preschool I would like to “Welcome” you to the 2018-19 school year. We are excited to start the school year. It was wonderful to see all the returning students and meet our new students at Meet and Greet last week. Thank you to all the parents that attended our 3’s Curriculum Night. We hope that the evening was informative and answered any questions about preschool.

Preschool Information

DOORS/SECURITY

The north door faces 116th, the south door faces the parking lot off of 162nd near the playground, and the east door faces the church office building. These three doors are the doors we will be using for drop off and pick-up. The east door will remain locked during school hours. The doors used to enter the preschool will be closed and locked at 9:15/12:30. If you are running late and the doors are locked, please come to the school door closest to the preschool business office (south entrance). A buzzer is located outside the entrance. Please use this buzzer and a staff member will open

the door. This policy is for the security of all the staff and children.

PARENT HANDBOOK

Please read the handbook carefully as it will have answers to many of your questions. Be sure to carefully read the **late pick-up policy** on page 4. There is a fee for parents who are late for pick-up. If you anticipate running late, please find someone in your classroom that you can designate to watch your child until you can get to school.

TUITION

INFORMATION

Tuition is due the first class day of

each month. Payment may be made by check or automatic withdrawal. Forms must be turned in by 9/18 for automatic withdrawal to begin in October. Tuition paid by check is considered LATE and will accrue a \$25.00 late fee as of the 10th of the month. ***Please write your child’s First and Last name on the memo line of your check.*** If there is a problem with your ability to pay tuition on time, please see Kerry or Patty to make alternate arrangements. Automatic withdrawals are posted on the 5th of the month or the closest business day to that date and will also accrue a \$25.00 fee should the automatic withdrawal fail to clear.

All tuition checks should be placed in the metal wall mounted lock boxes near the entrance doors.

PLAYGROUND RULES:

Parents are welcome to use the playground before and after school **unless** a class is using it for their recess time. Once children have been dismissed, they are the responsibility of the parent and any playground issues should be settled without help from the school. *Please read the parent handbook regarding playground rules.*



ALLERGIES & SNACK

If your child has a potentially life threatening or severe food allergy which requires them to have an EpiPen on site, the child **must** bring his/her own snack. This isn’t negotiable with our insurance carrier. If your child has an EpiPen or other medication at school you will be asked to fill out a Hold Harmless

Agreement form or update your form on file from the previous year.

If a child has a mild food allergy such as milk/dairy intolerance, strawberries, etc. we indicate this on the child’s snack card. If your child falls in between these categories we will assume that they can eat the snack provided

that day.

We are not a “peanut free” school but we **STRONGLY** urge you to make snacks without peanut butter, peanuts or nuts. If your child has been snacking in the car prior to coming to school, please have them wash their hands before entering the classroom.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Our Scholastic book order volunteer is Jade Blank. Each month Jade will send out book order flyers if you are interested in purchasing books for your child. Scholastic book order flyers will go home in your child's bag or backpack this week. You can order from the flyers or look online. If you go online you can also order from the October catalog then everything will come before Halloween. The orders will be sent

home in your child's school bag or backpack. **Orders are due by Friday, September 28th.** If you have any questions you can contact Jade by email bbscholasticorders@gmail.com.



HANDY PERSON

I would like one or two volunteers to help with maintenance odds and ends. This is a based on need. The duties might involve moving playground mats, purchasing sand or pounding an occasional nail for a fix it project. Just a little bit of help really!

BEST BEGINNINGS WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE

Take a few minutes to look over our website and Facebook page. You will find information about school events, teachers and our school calendar on our website. Throughout the year we will put photos on our Facebook page. We like to update our Facebook page to include some of the photos of these precious classroom moments so families can get a little peak into our school day.

www.bestbeginningspreschool.com
www.Facebook.com/BBPreschool

BEST BEGINNINGS OFFICE STAFF

There are many people in the office who are happy to help you navigate school and answer questions.

Kerry Lodge, Director is here MTTHF 8:30 – 3:30 and Wed 8:30 – 1:30.

Stephanie Taketa, Administrative Asst. is here Mon 8:30 – 3:00 and Wed. 8:30 – 1:30.

Patty Venema, Accountant is here TTH from 8:30 – 1:00.

TK & PreK CURRICULUM MEETINGS

Curriculum meetings are a time for parents to hear what your child will be learning during the year, as well as the ins and outs of preschool. We encourage parents to attend these informative meetings.

Curriculum Schedule

9/18	TK	Marjorie	12:35—1pm
9/19	MWF	Joi	12:15—1pm
9/20	TWThF	Karen	12:15—1pm
9/21	TThF	Stephanie	12:15—1pm
9/21	MTThF PM	Joi	2:30—3:15pm

