



Best Beginnings Preschool Family Newsletter November 2021



I hope you all had a fun and safe Halloween. All the classes enjoyed fun Halloween activities at school last week. It was fun to hear all the sounds of laughter throughout the building.

It is hard to believe November is here. This is a month to take time to give thanks and reflect on the things that make us feel grateful and thankful. I would like to give thanks to all our wonderful parents and students. I am grateful for everything you are doing to help us keep school safe and healthy. I appreciate you notifying the office, keeping your child home when they are experiencing any symptoms, and taking time to have tests so they can return to school as quickly as possible. I know it is challenging and frustrating to go through all these steps when most of the time the symptoms are due to cold or allergies. Please know that we request these steps so we can keep everyone at school healthy and our doors open.

I am so impressed with the amazing job our students are doing keeping their masks on, having their temperatures checked, and washing and sanitizing their hands. It is such a joy to have our classrooms full of the sounds of preschool. Thank you to all our students. You bring smiles to our faces each day (even if you cannot see them).

A BIG Thank You to the teachers. They work hard every day to create nurturing and creative classrooms where their students learn and grow. I have required so much more of them this year and they have stepped up to the challenge. I am extremely appreciative of all their help and support these past two months.

Happy Thanksgiving! ~Kerry



Upcoming Dates

11/11 Veteran's Day - No School

11/25 & 11/26 Thanksgiving Break
No School

12/22 - 12/31 Winter Break
No School

1/3/2022 Back to School

1/5/2022 2022-2023 Registration
begins for currently enrolled students
&/or siblings

Keeping Us Healthy

We have entered the cold and flu season. While there have been no cases of the flu or COVID, we have had students out due to colds. It is difficult to know whether a child's symptoms are that of a cold, flu or COVID. For that reason, we are continuing to follow the guidelines set forth by the health department.

Those of you that have older children, may see that their schools have different requirements for students to return to school after illness/symptoms. Elementary grades and above can contact trace and maintain a greater social distancing space more easily. Young students such as ours at Best Beginnings are learning to socialize and need to do this in a closer space. If one student in one of our classes tests positive for COVID we will have to close the classroom for 14 days. For this reason, it is important that you contact the school if your child has any symptoms and follow our policy for returning to school.

We appreciate your help and support keeping us all safe and healthy.

HOLIDAYS

Throughout the school year there are many holidays celebrated by our Best Beginnings families. The diversity of our little school has opened doors for all of us to learn from one another and share the unique and special celebrations that take place around the world. During the month of December, we will be sharing holidays with the students. Most of these holidays share the same message of hope, joy, and light. We invite families to share any customs or holidays that they celebrate throughout the year with the children in their child's class. If you would like to share, please contact your child's teacher.



Scholastic Book Orders

Thank you to those who ordered books from Scholastic. Your orders help our school receive free books and we are very appreciative. A new month has arrived, which means new books available to order. We are going to paperless ordering and no longer sending the flyers home. You can view the flyers online by shopping our class page listed below. You can choose to have your books shipped to your home or delivered to school with our class order.

With a \$25 order, you can pick a FREE \$5 Book (use code: READS).

Class Order Due Date: 11/30/21

Shop Our Class Page: <https://orders.scholastic.com/H6H63>

Shop Digital Flyers for Our Grade with Your Child: <https://clubs.scholastic.com/kindergarten>

Please share the Class Page link to extended family and friends. All orders also earn FREE Books for our class.

Thank you for your support!



Quick Reminder: It is always a good idea to send an extra mask with your student. When the chil-

dren run around outside their masks tend to get damp from heavy breathing. We like to keep mask clean and dry. Please send an extra mask in a bag with your child each class day. Thank you.

If your student is absent for any reason, please contact the office by phone or email before the start of class.

Need to reach us?

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WHAT DID YOU DO AT SCHOOL TODAY?

Do your kids say “*nothing*” when you ask them what they did at today? Try these tricks to get your kids to talking about school.

? WHY? ?

Children need to hear specific questions in order to give specific answers. Open ended questions like “What did you do?” may be too general to get the desired response. Try asking specific questions that require your child to answer with more than one word.

PLAY

Did you know that play is an important part of the learning process? When they play, children are learning and developing cognitive, language, physical, social, and emotional skills. It is in your child's best interest to have as much time to play as possible each day to promote healthy development.



QUESTIONS TO ASK

- ✓ Tell me about a story you listened to.
- ✓ What songs did you sing?
- ✓ Who did you play with?
- ✓ What did you have for snack?
- ✓ Where did you play?
- ✓ Did you do anything nice for somebody?
- ✓ What are you looking forward to tomorrow?
- ✓ Were you a good friend?
- ✓ Did you laugh today?

