

Best Beginnings Preschool Family Newsletter September 2019

On behalf Best Beginnings Preschool Staff I would like to "Welcome" you to the 2019-2020 school year. We are all very excited to start our 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 you have about preschool. If you ever have any questions please feel free to stop by the office, send us an email or give us a call. Here's to a great school year! $\sim \mathcal{K}erry$

Doors/Security

The north door faces 116th, the south door faces the parking lot off of 162nd near the playground. These doors will be used for drop off and pick-up. The blonde doors used to enter the preschool classrooms will be closed and locked at 9:10 and 12:25. If you are running late and the doors are locked, please come to the blonde school door near the south entrance. A buzzer is located outside this entrance. Please use this buzzer and a staff member will open the door. This policy is for the security of all the children and staff.

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 pickup. If you anticipate running late, please find



Preschool Information

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 to begin in October. Forms must be turned in by 9/17 for automatic withdrawal to *begin in October.* Tuition paid by check is considered LATE and will accrue a \$25 late fee as of the 10th of the month. *Please* write vour 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 fee should the auto-

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matic withdrawal fail to clear. All tuition checks should be place in the metal wall mounted lock boxes near the blonde entrance doors. Teachers do not accept tuition checks.

Playground Rules

Students are welcome to use the playground, under parental supervision, before and after school. Classes have priority use of the playground. Please vacate the area if a class is using the playground. Once children have been dismissed we transfer responsibility to parents. *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, he/she 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. This information is stated in our Parent Handbook on page 10.

If a child has a mild food allergy such as 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 each day. We are not a "peanut free" school but we STRONGLY urge you to make snacks without peanut butter, peanuts or nuts. We do have a few students with nut allergies this year. Please have your child wash their hands before entering school if they have been snacking in the car on the way to school.

Scholastic Book Orders

Our Scholastic Book Order Volunteer is Jasmin Joshi. Each month Jasmin will send out book order flyers if you are interested in purchasing books for you child. The flyers will go home in your child's bag or backpack this week. You can order from the flyers or look online. The orders will come to school and be sent home in you child's school bag or backpack. Orders are due by Friday, September 27th. If you have any questions you can contact Jasmin by email at bbscholasticorders@gmail.com.

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.

These meetings are different from the 3's curriculum meetings you attended last year as a 3's parent. We encourage TK and PreK parents to attend these informative meetings. Please check your class calendar for more information.

Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, 9/17 @ 12:35 Wednesday, 9/18 @ 12:15 Thursday, 9/19 @12:15 Friday, 9/20 @12:15 Friday, 9/20 @ 2:30 Marjorie TK Class Francy MWF Class Karen TWThF Class Stephanie TThF Class Janelle MTThF pm Class



Monthly Happenings from Church of the Holy Cross



Is your pet a blessing? Does your pet need a blessing?

Father Jim and The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross invite you to attend St. Francis Day.

Bring your pet, a stuffed toy or even a picture of your pet to The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross on Sunday, October 6 at 10am.

We bless them all!

