**Class Ages & Stages**

**Staff/Student Ration**

18 months – years (1/6) – 2 staff for 12 or less children in class

3,4,5 (1/8) – 2 staff for 15 or less children in class

 **Two years old:**Open to all children who are 2 years of age prior to September 30th 2025.
Milestones worked on in 18months & 2’s classroom

* To develop a positive self-awareness and esteem
* Allow children to interact and learn to share with others
* Follow rules and directions of a teacher or other adults
* To improve physical coordination and gross motor skills
* Provide a smooth and safe transition between home and school

**Three years old:**Open to all children who are 3 years of age prior to September 1, 2025.

Milestones worked on in 3’s classroom

* To provide a loving and secure atmosphere where a child can develop self-confidence and a healthy self-esteem.
* Learning to play in small groups with hands on activities
* Expand on skills that lead to reading readiness and fine motor coordination experiences.
* Provide activities that challenge the children so that they can seek help, problem solve, and experience how to adjust or be flexible.
* Introduce simple unit facts, colors, shapes, numbers, and letter recognition of the child’s name

**VPK Students:**Open to all children who are 4 years of age on/before September 1, 2025 and reside in the state of Florida. Tuition for VPK students is funded through the state of Florida. The state reimburses for 540 instructional hours during the school year. Payment for additional hours of care is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. VPK is a 5 – ½ days program. You can add on full day if you wish, but it is not covered by the VPK voucher.

Milestones work on in VPK

* building healthy habits (important hygiene routines such as brushing teeth and washing hands);
* early literacy skills (learning how to identify words and write letters)
* mathematical and scientific thinking (learning outdoors in nature, introduction to STEM principles)
* social studies and art (identifying different family members and peers, crafting, and dance)
* motor development (participating in active group activities).

Students on the Florida VPK Scholarship must attend 5 - ½ days a week. If you want to pay out of pocket, you may choose the 3-day schedule.

**Rise & Shine (7:30 – 8:45)**

Parents needing early morning options are able to drop their child off between the times of 7:30 – 8:45, This time will be spent playing outside when possible and playing in early bird classroom. Please see the Registration Information for Extended Day rates.

Lunch Bunch (12:15 – 2:00) Stay and Play (2:00 – 4:00 or 5:30)

* Lunch bunch requires each child bring their own lunch and drink.
* During both Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play there will be time to eat and have continued time for play both inside and outside. ​
* If your child is in Stay & Play they will need to bring lunch, drink, and afternoon snack along with a blanket for nap/quiet rest time.