



# Welcome

Hello, New Kindergartners Friends,

We hope you had a great summer. We are getting everything ready for school to start soon.

Are you ready? We hope so! We cannot wait to learn all about you and what you and your family did this summer. We are going to have so much fun this year! You will make lots of friends, learn about Jesus, and letters, numbers, and more! We are very excited to get to know you all this year!

## **Mom and Dad, here is a list of things needed for preschool:**

- 1) Extra Clothes:** Accidents do occur at this age. Please place these in a Ziploc baggie with your child's name on it. This will stay in their locker to have on hand. These will need to be changed seasonally and as your child grows.
- 2) Backpack:** Small backpacks are very difficult for kids to get all their stuff into, so a regular size one is best. The first week, we will place a plastic folder in their backpacks to keep papers tidy. Please remove papers daily but keep the folder in their backpack.  
**Note:** No art supplies are needed, we purchase these as needed as part of the Supply Fee you paid at the time of enrollment.
- 3) Family Picture:** We will hang this in our classroom after showing all of our new friends in class (a copy, not the original is preferred).
- 4) Water Bottle:** Please label with their name it.
- 5) Naptime Things:** A SMALL pillow (one that will fit in their backpack) and ONE small stuffed animal, if needed. Cots and a blanket will be provided to rest on. Please do not send a stuffed animal that your child cannot sleep at night without. You may consider purchasing a special one just for school! Children use the same cot all year which we sanitize and wash blankets weekly.
- 6) Cold Lunch and Drink:** Cold lunches are stored in the Preschool refrigerator daily. Hot lunch will be available to order monthly.

**7) Daily Afternoon Snack:** Each child will need an afternoon snack. Please, mark it with the word “Snack” and keep it in their lunch bag.

**8) A Clean Pair of Gym Shoes:** These do not need to be new, but they must be clean. These will be kept in their lockers and be used for gym class only!

**9) A big smile!** I sure hope you are as excited as we are!

Please, make sure **put their name on whatever your child brings to school.** We try really hard, but teachers don’t always know what belongs to whom and kids get mixed up too!

Our school day begins at 8:00 a.m., the doors will open at 7:45 a.m. Please enter and exit through our preschool entrance on the north side of the building for drop off. Pick up is at 2:40 p.m. in the front of the school. We will bring your child to your car in the afternoons out front. We ask that once your child is in his/her car seat, you pull ahead, out of the line to buckle them up.

**Our first day of school is Monday, August 22nd with dismissal at 11:30 a.m. We do not have school Friday, September 2 or Monday, September 5.**

Snack is provided the first week. After that, we will begin rotating through our class list enabling each student to bring the morning snack only (children provide their own afternoon snack) and be the snack helper for the entire week. This list will be sent home the first week of school. Please email me (see below) or me know at the **Back-to-School Bash** if your child has any food allergies.

We invite you to our **Back-to-School Bash** on Thursday, August 18 from 4:30 to 8:00. You will get to see the classroom, meet the teachers and staff, and take home a small treat! You may bring the things listed above that night if you would like.

Please note that any missing forms from your child’s file will need to be turned in **PRIOR to the first day of school** in compliance with Michigan regulations. Forms include Health appraisals, Birth Certificates, and Immunization forms. Unfortunately, they may not start school without these forms on file.

Feel free to contact me anytime if you ever have any questions, concerns or even prayer requests. Thank you in advance for your support as well. I am honored and feel very blessed to be a part of your family’s lives. I look forward to getting to know you and working with you to “train up a (your) child in the way he should go so when he is old, he will not depart from it” Proverbs 22:6.

See you soon!

Because of Jesus,

**CCS Preschool Staff**

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