

June 28, 2021

# Welcome!

Dear CCS Preschoolers!

Hello! My name is Mrs. Dunakin, your preschool teacher! I sure hope you are having a great summer. I have been relaxing, enjoying life and making memories with my husband, our two children, Jocelyn and Jonas, and our dog, Benny! We are having a really fun summer with lots of beach days with friends, traveling to see family, and camping. Camping is my favorite summer activity!

Are you ready for school? I cannot wait to learn about your family and what you did this summer! We are going to have so much fun this year! You will be making lots of new friends, learning about Jesus and learning your letters and numbers!

**Mom and Dad: Here is a list of things needed for preschool:**

- 1) Extra clothes:** Accidents do occur at this age. Please place in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it. This will stay in their locker to have on hand.
- 2) Back Pack:** While the little ones are cute, they tend to ruin papers that come home, 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) A water bottle:** Please label it daily with their name & date.
- 5) Naptime things** (full day students only): may bring a small pillow (one that will fit in their backpack) and ONE small stuffed animal that will stay at school, if needed. 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! A cot and a blanket will be provided to rest on. Children use the same cot all year, we sanitize cots and wash blankets weekly.
- 6) Cold lunch and drink** (full day students only): Hot lunch will be available to order monthly.
- 7) A daily afternoon snack** (full day students only): Please mark "snack" on it and keep it in their lunchbox or backpack.
- 8) A big smile!** I sure hope you are as excited as I am!  
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 11:00 a.m. for morning preschoolers (at the preschool entrance) and 2:40 p.m. in the front of the school for our full day students. *We will bring your child to your car and help them into their seat 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 a half day on Monday, August 23rd with dismissal at 11:20 a.m. for full day students (at the front of the school). Morning only students still need to be picked up at the regularly scheduled time of 11:00 a.m. from our classroom. If your child does not attend school on Mondays, their first day will be that week of the 23rd. We do not have school Friday, September 3rd or Monday, September 6th.

Snack is provided the first week. After that, we will begin rotating through our class list enabling each student to 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 let 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 19th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** You will get to see the classroom, meet the teachers and staff, and take home a small treat! You can bring the things listed above that night if you would like and place in your child's locker.

We also invite you to join our closed Facebook page:

**CCS Preschool Frogs 2021-2022**

Please note that any missing forms from your child's file will need to be turned in **PRIOR** to the first day of school. 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 families lives and 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!

Love,

**Mrs. Dunakin**

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