Transitional Kindergarten Newsletter Wednesday, August 28, 2019

Thank you to all of you for getting our year off to a great start! Your children are incredibly kind, curious and well-behaved! They are a joy to teach!

Every month you will receive a Transitional Kindergarten Newsletter. Please take the time to read through all the information as I will try my best to keep you informed of all the many activities that concern your child and our class including field trips, parties, curriculum and upcoming events. Please return the plastic folder each week so that I can send home paperwork safely.

Starting the Day

Every day there is yard supervision in front of the classrooms beginning at 8:10 a.m. Staff will supervise the playground area. Students are expected in the classroom by 8:25. You are welcome to walk your child into the room and stay until storytime. I will allow for about 10-15 minutes for everyone to get settled in before we begin our day. I will have activities available on tables or stories to read on the rug.

Ending the Day

When school is dismissed at 1:00 for the first 6 weeks, please wait outside our classroom when you come to pick up your child. I will open the door and call the names of the children whose parents or caretakers are present. This will be very helpful as I get to know each one of you these first few weeks of school. This routine will continue after we extend our day to 2:30. Leave a note on the white board inside the classroom or email me if your child will be picked up by anyone other than a parent or regular caretaker. E-mail is the best way to inform me of changes throughout the day.

After School Care

Currently, we offer some flexible options for after school care. Both will pick students up at their classroom.

Workshop Education is open until 6pm and located in room 3. See the school website for more information and registration.

Woodside Preschool has an afterschool program until 3pm.

Please contact Teacher Lisa at 650-851-1571.

After school enrichment classes managed by the PTA will begin in October and usually held from 2:30-3:10. Check our school website for more info.

Extra School Clothes/Shoes

If you haven't done so already, please send "Just In Case" clothes in a labeled Ziploc bag. Underwear, socks, pants/shorts, shirts and jackets are useful. P.E. is on Mondays, so appropriate shoes are required and can be stored at school if necessary.

After School Student Assessments

Please see the attached sign up form for TK Student Assessments. I will meet with each student individually after school for 30 minutes to get to know each child, their strengths, challenges, interests and basic skill set. I will ask that caregivers/parents wait outside during this time. Parent/Teacher conferences will be held in October to discuss results and goals. Please return the sign-up form by Friday. I will e-mail a confirmation of your assigned date and time.

Back to School Night

On Thursday, September 12th our school is hosting Back to School Night which is an event for parents only.

5:30 - 6:20 p.m. TK-5th presentations

6:30 - All school welcome, followed by a social in Sellman)

7:15 - 8:40 p.m. 6th-8th grade presentations

6:45 - 7:45 p.m. meet the specialists in library)

I will have a presentation about my program and a TK handbook to hand out. Sign-ups for classroom volunteering, field trips and parties will be available. Please let me know if you are unable to attend so that I can give you the information. On September 12th, dismissal will be at 12:30 for the whole school.

Important Dates:

No School - Monday September 2 for Labor Day Back to School BBQ- Friday September 6 at 5:30 Thursday, Sept. 12th - 12:30 Dismissal and Back to School Night 5:30 -7:45 p.m. No School- Monday September 30 for Teacher PD day Beginning Tuesday, October 1 - TK Students dismissed at 2:30 pm

Thank you for your support! Sincerely, Mrs. Virgallito