

## August Newsletter

### Director's Notes

Welcome to the new school year! We are looking forward to a wonderful year. Our staff will work alongside of families to provide the best care for the children that are entrusted to us. Please see any office staff should you have any questions.

### Separation Anxiety

The start of the school year may cause children to experience separation anxiety. Suggestions for parents to help their child are as follows:

- Focus on the positive.
- Consistent bedtimes and wake times.
- When leaving, give a quick kiss and hug and cheerfully say goodbye.
- Stay calm, maintain control over your own anxieties.
- Don't prolong your departure or come back several times.
- Don't sneak out of the room.

### ARRIVAL TIME

Daycare children may arrive no earlier than 7:00, Preschool children no earlier than 8:00. Infants-threes must be here by 8:45 and Pre-K by 8:30. We must have prior notice that the child will be late for that day due to emergency circumstances or appointments. Please limit your amount of late arrivals to no more than five per school year.



### Dismissal Time

Our hours are 7:00 and 5:30 p.m. If you are late picking up, your account will be charged \$10.00 for the first one to five minutes and \$5.00 for every additional minute.

## Hand Washing

Upon entering the childcare center, please have your child wash their hands in the classroom. The staff will be glad to assist your child with washing their hands or you are welcome to help your child before you leave.



## SCHOOL NEWS

Be sure to check out the TV in the foyer for monthly slideshows with school news such as general information, holidays, upcoming events, etc.



## Snacks and Lunches

Food or drink substitutions are only allowed when accompanied by a doctor's written excuse. We do not have the personnel or space to allow for food substitutions due to personal preference. A parent or guardian is responsible for sending substitute food and drink. If we do not have a doctor's release your child must be offered what is being served.

## Reminders about naptime

- All pillows should be travel size, not standard size
- All pillows should have a plastic pillow cover under pillow case (available in the office for \$3)
- All blankets should be no larger than a beach towel
- Please label all nap supplies

## Ill Children

Ill children must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

If they are sent home during the day for fever, diarrhea, or vomiting, they may not return the next day.

If your child is sent home for a possible illness, conjunctivitis, rash, or untreated infestation a Physician's excuse will be required for your child to return to school.