



# Welcome to Sunshine Class!

Newsletter for September 5<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Hello, and welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! I am so excited to start this year with your children. It was great to see so many of you during our "meet and greets"! For those who weren't able to make it, if you'd like to chat I am always available before and after class starts. Communication is a very important part of a successful school year - please do not hesitate to call, e-mail, or flag me down in person if there's something you'd like to discuss (big or small). My e-mail address is: [lindsaysigurdson@gmail.com](mailto:lindsaysigurdson@gmail.com), and you can also send me a message on Bloomz.

I will be sending out newsletters like this one every other week, on Saturdays. These newsletters are where you'll find information on our weekly themes, letters of the week, school events, and pretty much everything you need to know for the upcoming weeks. If there is a different e-mail address you'd like to have this newsletter sent to, let me know. The newsletter will also be posted on the Bloomz app.

## This Week

Our first day of school will be Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>. During our first few weeks of school, our main goal is to become familiar with our routine, and get to know one another. We will be doing some simple projects to get used to our classroom and the tools we have to use. These projects include making bead necklaces, some handprint art, and decorating place mats that we'll get to use during our snack time! We will also be doing some exploring with our sensory activities - we will be playing with shaving cream, and rainbow rice this week!

## Bloomz

If you have not yet signed up for Bloomz, make sure to do so ASAP! Bloomz is our primary way of communicating with each other in our class. I will post newsletters, photos, reminders, and lots more! There are instructions on how to join our private, Sunshine Class group on the bulletin board outside of the classroom. Our class access code is: SE3RPJ

## **Classroom Needs**

There are a few things we ask you to bring on your child's first day of school.

- Some extra clothes to change into in case of potty accidents, or messy art projects (these can be kept in your child's backpack during the school year, just remember to check periodically that they are seasonally appropriate and haven't been grown out of). Make sure to label clothes with your child's name.
- Diapers/pull-ups and wipes, if necessary. Make sure to label them with your child's name.
- (1) 3x5 OR 4x6 photo of your child that are ok to cut
- (1) 4x6 family photo
- (1) 2inch white binder (we will be using this to collect some of your child's artwork over the course of this year - you will be able to bring it home at the end of the school year!)
- Registration packet and immunization form (if not turned in already).

## **Allergies/Medications**

If your child has any allergies, please make sure to provide us with a list of what they are allergic to. Our number #1 priority is to make sure your children are safe! If a medication must be administered, you will need to fill out a medical release form. These can be found in Director Katie's office.

## **Goodbyes**

The first week of school can sometimes be a difficult transition for you, and your child. I have found from personal experience that a positive attitude can make the transition period much easier. Creating a routine on the first day can help as well (children feel safe when they know what to expect). I would encourage you to give a hug, and say a short goodbye at the door. My promise to you is that we will do our best to make your child feel comfortable at school. If there are very upset and cannot be calmed down, we will call you.

## **Tuition**

2 days a week \$201/month

3 days a week \$259/month

4 days a week \$318/month

5 days a week \$376/month

## **Dates To Remember**

### September

5<sup>th</sup> - First day of school  
5<sup>th</sup> - Tuition Due  
14<sup>th</sup> - Tuition grace period ends at noon  
22<sup>nd</sup> - Fall Playground Cleanup 8:00-9:00am  
24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> - School pictures  
28<sup>th</sup> - Fall Carnival 5:00-7:00pm

### October

1<sup>st</sup> - Tuition Due  
5<sup>th</sup> - Church Event - NO SCHOOL  
10<sup>th</sup> - Tuition grace period ends at noon  
19<sup>th</sup> - Bizi Farm Field Trips 9:00 and 10:30am  
28<sup>th</sup> - Trunk or Treat (church event) 2:00-4:00pm  
29<sup>th</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup> - Class parties and parades

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

Each family is responsible for 3 hours of volunteer time per year. Take a look at the volunteer binder that is outside of our classroom for different ways you can volunteer. There is a section in the back where you can track all of the volunteer time you've done. PLEASE TRACK ALL OF YOUR VOLUNTEER TIME SO THAT YOU CAN GET CREDIT! This includes all volunteer opportunities such as buying supplies, volunteering in the classroom, etc.