

Parents,

A few notes about the school year:

**School starts at 8:25; all children will wait outside or in the school lobby until the bell rings. When the bell rings they come into the classroom. This is a school policy. If they are attending religion they will already be in the classroom.

**We do have milk/juice break every day, after this we have recess outside or inside depending on the weather. The office will send a bill for the milk unless you paid for the whole year at registration.

**If your child brings a lunch to school they may buy milk in the cafeteria for 25 cents. Just make sure to tell your child where the money is. You can also send a drink, just not soda.

**One thing that typically scares Kindergarten children the first few days of school is eating lunch. If you explain what happens it helps them. This is the basic process. I will walk them to the cafeteria each day and for the first couple of weeks the lunch trays will be set out for them on the tables and they just have to pick up their milk. If they bring their lunch they will just sit down when they come into the cafeteria. After the whole class is finished eating they will go outside/inside for recess. I will explain this to them on Friday, but it helps if you also explain it to them.

We will have a snack time in the afternoon. This is something that **you send each day with them. Just put it in their backpack. We will have this in the classroom so it needs to be something simple and not too messy. Items like fruit snacks, raisins, cookies or other small

packaged items are great. They do not have to bring a snack, this is up to you.

**Your child will bring home a folder each night, please check this daily and return it each morning. This is where all important notes will be placed from me, and if you have anything that needs to be sent to school please put it in this folder.

**My classroom has a treasure box that the kids pick from to reward good behavior and for other accomplishments. I try to keep it stocked with small items that kids like. If you have any items that you would like to donate to keep this full I would appreciate it. The items do not need to be big or expensive. Things like McDonald's toys, small cars, stickers, little containers of playdough, anything that your child would like to get as a prize.

**There are a couple of items that we use a lot of in Kindergarten to help keep learning fun. We use playdough, shaving cream and the foam shapes/letters and numbers quite a bit. I know the supply list for Kindergarten was quite extensive, but if anyone would like to donate some of these items I would be very grateful.

**If you want to send birthday treats for your child they need to be packaged items with the ingredient label on them or the box.

If you have any questions please ask.

Mrs. Timmermann