Hollis Park District Me and My Friends Preschool

2018-2019 Important Information

Let the Adventures Begin!

Dear Families,

Welcome to Preschool! The summer is coming to end and it is time, once again, to

fill our classroom with smiling faces. I can't wait to see all of you and to share in the

adventure of learning!

The Preschool Open House is going to be on August 25th from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

Please come out to the Open House to meet the teacher and let your child explore and make

some new friends!

Listed on the following pages are all the details about the Classes (at least all the

stuff I could remember to write at this time.) More than likely I will have forgotten

something, so if there is anything you are unsure of, please don't hesitate to get ahold of

me!

I look forward to our preschool adventures together!

Sincerely,

Ms. Kristen Woodley

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Classes: 9:00 am to 11:30 am

Three year olds go every Tuesday & Thursday

Classes begin on the Tuesday after Labor Day (September 4<sup>th</sup>)

Four year olds go every Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Classes begin on the Wednesday after Labor Day (September 5<sup>th</sup>)

Doors will open at 8:50 for drop off and close at roughly 9:05. Please wait until I re-open the doors at the end of the day before coming in to get your child, to ensure we have finished completely.

## Tuition: 4'S-\$70 per month

3's-\$50 per month

Tuition will be due at the beginning of each month and paid at the Hollis Recreation Center. Checks can be made out to the Hollis Park District.

We have added 9 days to 4yr old class and 7 days to 3yr old class.

#### **Snacks:**

Each family will have an assigned snack day, where they will bring in a snack to share with the class. Healthy snacks are preferred but not required. You may send in drinks, as well, but they are not required as I have access to drinking water for the kids. Also, if sending in drinks, please send in bottles of juice or other drinks, instead of juice boxes or Capri-suns to help eliminate some of our waste. Monthly Calendars will be sent home showing your child's snack date.

**Staying Connected:** I will be using 2 different Phone Apps to help manage our classroom. The first app is Remind 101. This app helps me contact all the parents at once with new information through text messages or email. This means that instead of you making sure to check Facebook or a school website, all important information and notices will be sent right to you as soon as I send it. You are also able to respond back to me through the app, as well. This saves me from having to text everyone individually when I need to get notes out. I am also hoping this will cut down on all the papers that would normally get sent home. The 2nd app I will be using is Photo Circle. This is a photo sharing app where pictures can only be shared to those who have been added to the list. It also notifies you when I add pictures, so you can see what we have been doing in class. Once added to the list, you will also be able to share your own pictures, possibly from field trips or class parties.

#### What to Wear:

My motto when it comes to what to send your child to school in is this: If you are okay with it, then I am okay with it. We go for hikes, we paint, we play outside, we run around and we do science experiments. I will not keep a child from doing any activity based on what they wear to school. I will try to give fair warning if there is a day planned that may get messier than normal. It may be a good idea to send a change of clothes in a backpack, just in case of any accidents. Most preschoolers love having their own backpack to bring!

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## **Field Trips:**

We will try to have a field trip each month.

A bus may or may not be available to take us on our trips, so I will give plenty of advanced notice to prepare. Field trip days usually last the whole class time, if not a little longer.

## Hollis Recreation Center (10107 S. Vine):

The four year olds will have class down at the Rec Center once a month, on the last Wednesday of each month (the day will be noted on your calendars.) On these days, the kids will be able to bring their bikes or scooters with them to ride, along with helmets if needed. Occasionally, the three year olds will also meet at the Rec Center and these days will be noted on their calendars, as well.

#### T-shirts:

Each year, our t-shirt design is drawn by one of the four year olds. Every four year old will get a chance to draw a picture to be entered into the contest. These will be drawn in school, to ensure everyone has a chance to participate. The Superintendent of Recreation and I will review the drawings and will choose the t-shirt design. Once a winner has been selected, we will get our t-shirts ordered! Extra t-shirts for students or family members can be ordered for an additional cost of \$10.00.

### **School Supplies:**

- 1 can of playdough (Any Color)
- 1 pkg Dry Erase Markers (any color or size)
- 1 pack of Washable Markers
- o 1 Watercolor Paint Set
- 1 pkg of Baby Wipes
- o 1 pkg of 24 Crayons

#### **General Class Donations:**

Greatly appreciated, not required! Each month I will post a more specific list of needs for that month. Here is a sample of donations needed:

- o Reusable Cups
- Paper of any type
- Craft Supplies of any kind
- Tape (Masking or Scotch)
- Balloons
- o Acrylic or Tempera Paint
- o Glue or Glue Sticks
- Vinegar
- o Baking Soda

Again, I am sure I have probably forgotten something, so let me know if you have any questions!

Thank you,

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