

Back-To-School Newsletter

2019

Welcome to SonShine Preschool!

Dear Families,

We are so pleased that you have chosen to send your children to our preschool! We look forward to the privilege and blessing of teaching your child this year.

This newsletter has information that will help us start off on the same page and have a smooth transition into preschool this fall. We hope that you will share it with your spouse and/or anyone else involved in your child's everyday life, such as grandparents and babysitters.

Please do not hesitate to call, e-mail, or text Miss Mala at any time.

Sincerely, Miss Mala, Miss Jaime, Miss Kim, Miss Cory, and Miss Faith

Tuition Payments

Tuition is due on the 20th of each month, August through April. **Please understand that students who are not current on their tuition payments may not attend school until payments are up-todate.** You can <u>pay online</u> for a small fee that covers our Paypal processing fee, or pay in check or cash at the school. Payments should be personally placed in the preschool safe by the person paying. *No envelopes for Checks-please write child's full name and class in memo line. Cash should be in a small envelope (we have tons) labeled with child's full name, class, and dollar amount. **Pre-K=\$165/m, Preschool=\$135/m**

Please add to your contact list:

Miss Mala's Cell Phone: (970) 405-4622

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Our Classes:

- Frogs (AM Pre-K): M/W/F 8-11am
 Rainbow Room
- <u>Bees</u> (PM Pre-K): M/W/F 12-3pm
 Rainbow Room
- <u>Bananas</u> (AM Preschool): T/TH 8-11am
 Rainbow Room
- <u>Stars</u> (PM Preschool): T/TH 12-3pm
 Rainbow Room
- <u>Bears</u> (AM Pre-K): M/TU/TH 8-11am
 Flower Room
- Dinosaurs (AM Preschool): W/F 8-11am
 - Flower Room
- Apples (PM Pre-K): M/Tu/TH 12-3pm
 - Flower Room

Final Teacher Schedules are still being decided on, and you'll receive a text with your Lead Teacher's phone number as soon as we have it all set!

See <u>Calendar</u> for Summer Play Time Open House Schedule

Absences:

Please Text Miss Mala if your child will be absent, and let us know why so we can pray for them if they're sick or on a trip!

For class-specific topics, you can text your child's lead teacher.

Text Communications:

Miss Mala uses group texts to send reminders, so **be sure to not "reply all" to the whole class**, just send individual texts to Miss Mala so you don't overload the other parents (3)

Dropping off

For the convenience of our parents, we normally unlock the doors 10 minutes prior to class time to allow children to be dropped off up to 10 minutes early. Please use the north-west corner entrance of the church for preschool. When you bring your child to school, please sign them in at the desk in front of their classroom. To save classroom time, we will have your child's sunscreen ready in a basket on the sign-incounter for you to please quickly apply to your child. Then, please help your child learn to put their "Art Folder" (we'll provide) in their cubby and their backpack on their hook. A brief, loving goodbye is best. As you leave, your child can locate their "Job Name" and hang it next to their desired classroom job for the day, and can join their friends on the rug to look at books/toys that go along with the theme of the week.

First Day of School

On your child's first day of school, please arrive about 5-10 minutes early to allow time to settle your child into their class. If you are able to stay for about the first 10-15 minutes of class (<u>on the</u> <u>first day only</u>), we will be doing a special story and activity to "send off" parents. This is intended to ease the transition into preschool. If your child already came last year, it's totally up to you if you stay or not.

See calendar to determine your child's first day of school. Please read carefully. On the first week of school, only half the class comes on any given day so that students can adjust to their new classroom, routines, and teachers in a small group setting.

Personal Belongings

Each day, your child should bring:

- 1. Wear easy, no shoe-lace shoes
- 2. backpack
- 3. school folder [school will provide]
- **4.** change of clothes in backpack
- 5. toys only on show & tell day
- **6**. Please, no sunscreen/medicine in backpacks
- No pacis of sippy cups- we have cup dispensers & water always available

Show & Tell, Snacks

"SonShine Kid:" Each month, we will send home a newsletter with a SonShine Kid calendar. Students rotate so that each day, one student in the class gets to bring in an item for show & tell (to talk about and pass around), a favorite book from home, and snack (with bowls, water cups, & utensils) for the entire class. On that day, they get to be the "<u>SonShine Kid"</u> and sit in the center of the rug. They will also have "Snack & Book Helper" as their job that day. Please have them bring snacks from 2 different food groups for the whole class (up to 15 students) that day. <u>Please no nuts</u>. We will serve water to drink. Snack rules are in the parent handbook. We welcome most show & tell items, even pets (accompanied by parent), but please no electronics such as Tablets/ Nintendo DS's, or toy weapons. [Things in **Bold** are changes from last vear]

Parent Volunteers

On your child's show & tell day, you are welcome (but not obligated at all) to come for part/all of the class to volunteer your help. (<u>Wait until October</u>). Most parents just come for class parties and field trips, because that happens almost monthly[®]

Class Parties

Parents and siblings are invited to join us during class holiday parties!

IMPORTANT CHECKLIST & LINKS

<u>Immunization Record-</u> due before first day of school (Miss Mala can pull records if they're on the state online database)

Text Miss Mala a family photo 970-405-4622

<u>General health appraisal form</u> from a doctor your child has seen in the past 12 months (due within 30 days after first day of school)

First tuition due August 20 (or first day)

Drop off <u>School supplies</u> (due August 19)

Print Calendar & read Parent Handbook

Picking up your child

- Please sign your child out and wait in the area outside the classroom and sign-out desk.
- We will finish class as close to the ending time as we can, and help students gather their things and line up.
- We will send children out individually when they are ready and we see someone there for them who is an authorized pick-up person.
- Have ID ready if we need to check.

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