

Back-To-School Newsletter

2020

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, Miss Debbie, and Miss Faith

Tuition Payments

Tuition is due on the FIRST of each month. September through May. Please understand that students who are not current on their tuition payments may not attend school until payments are up-to**date.** You can pay online 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

Email: greeleysonshine@yahoo.com Website: www.greelevsonshine.com Church Phone: 970-352-2600

Address: SonShine Preschool 3000 W 16TH ST Greeley, CO 80634

Church fax (attn.: Mala): 970-352-2769

Our Classes:

- Frogs (AM Pre-K): M/W/F 8-11am
 - o Rainbow Room
 - Miss Mala & Miss Cory
- Bees (PM Pre-K): M/W/F 12-3pm
 - o Rainbow Room with Miss Faith & Miss Mala
- Bananas (AM Preschool): T/TH 8-11am
 - o Rainbow Room with Miss Mala & Miss Cory
- Stars (PM Preschool): T/TH 12-3pm
 - o Rainbow Room with Miss Mala & Miss Faith
- Bears (AM Pre-K): M/TU/TH 8-11am
 - o Flower Room with Miss Kim & Miss Faith
- Dinosaurs (AM Preschool): W/F 8-11am
 - o Flower Room with Miss Debbie & Miss Faith
- Apples (PM Pre-K): M/Tu/TH 12-3pm
 - o Flower Room with Miss Kim & Miss Cory

Be sure to save teacher contacts in your phone when Miss Mala sends them to you!

Absences:

Please text your classroom teachers when your child will miss class, and let them know why so they can pray for them if they're sick or on a trip!

Text Communications:

Miss Mala uses group class texts to send reminders. so be sure to not "reply all" to the whole class, just send direct texts to Miss Mala and/or teachers so you don't overload the other parents.

You will also receive photo texts from teachers of your child. We're all about communication, so don't hesitate to let us know about any issues or questions that you may have.

Dropping off

For the convenience of our parents, we 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. WITH COVID RESTRICTIONS,

PARENTS CAN'T COME INTO CLASSROOMS.

A brief, loving goodbye is best. A teacher will help your child learn to put their "Art Folder" (we'll provide) in their cubby and their backpack on their hook, wash their hands, choose a job, and join their friends on the rug to look at books/toys while they wait for circle time to

First Day of School

On your child's first day of school we do a special story time while parents are still here. If you are able to stay for about the first 10-15 minutes of class (on the first day only), we will be doing a special story and heart sticker exchange to "send off" parents. This is intended to ease the transition into preschool. If you can't stay, please tell a teacher and they will let you do the heart sticker exchange right away before you go.

- 1. Sign in at counter and put your child's name tag on.
- 2. Their sunscreen should be in the bin on counter. Apply if desired.
- 3. Have your child keep backpack and sit out on the lawn with you on a carpet rectangle.
- 4. After story/sticker exchange, kids will say goodbye, line up, and go in with teachers.

Personal Belongings

Each day, your child should bring:

- 1. Wear easy, no shoe-lace shoes
- Backpack
- 3. School folder [school will provide]
- 4. Change of clothes in backpack
- 5. Extra mask if they wear a mask
- 6. Toys only on show & tell day
- 7. Please, no sunscreen/medicine in backpacks.
- 8. No pacifiers or 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 for the entire class. On that day, they get to be the "SonShine Kid" 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. Please no nuts. 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. The item should be cleanable so we can sanitize before & after. Fluffy/fabric items will be passed around while sealed in a clear gallon baggie.

Parking Lot & Curbside Option

Please be careful and very slow in the parking lot, as it only takes a moment for someone's child to dash out in front of traffic. There are 2 driveways- one for entering and one for exiting. Please park in a legal parking space. Use the curb by preschool entrance to pull up parallel if you're wanting curbside service. Text both of your child's teachers, "Could you please come get ___ from my car" or "I'm out here to pick up Suzie when you have a minute."

IMPORTANT CHECKLIST & LINKS

Immunization Record- 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

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

First tuition due September 1st (or first day)

Drop off School supplies (due August 19)

Calendar (we will provide a hard copy on first day)

Picking up your child

- Please sign your child out and wait in the area outside the classroom and sign-out desk. Use the social distancing dots or wait outside if it's crowded, please. Grab you child's "Pick-Up Nametag that is hanging on jacket hooks on hallway. You can hold it up for the teacher to find you more easily.
- We have kids line up in the classroom at the end of class.
- 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.