

## Winter Park Presbyterian Preschool September Newsletter

Welcome Back!!! The beginning of school is so exciting! It is great to see those beautiful little faces come through the door! We can expect a few tears to be shed – from both children and parents. But I promise it will get easier for everybody after the first week or so. Thank you all for dropping your children off at the front door. This makes the transition from home to school so much easier!! I know we are going to have a fantastic school year!

**Stretch-n-Grow** will continue to be a part of our curriculum for all children in our 3- Year- Old and Pre-K classes. We will have classes on a rotating schedule. Stretch-n-Grow is a wonderful aerobics program designed especially for preschoolers. They not only teach the importance of exercise but also all sorts of healthy living principles. Your children are going to love SNG!! **CHILDREN MUST WEAR TENNIS SHOES FOR SNG.** 

**Kindermusik** will be a regular part of our curriculum again this year. All children in the 2's, 3's and Pre-K classes will have Kindermusik classes.

**Devotions** will take place with Pastor Emile, as well. Most of these will be on a Thursday or Friday, on a rotating schedule, throughout the year. It is so much fun to learn about just how much God loves us all!

Unfortunately, funding was cut for the NHC Library "Growing Readers" program, so Mrs. Raquel will no longer be coming to read to our students. We will miss this valuable program so much!

The rotation of these special activities will occur beginning in mid-September. Keep an eye on your child's class newsletter to know which special activity your child will have that week!

Our preschool has a Facebook and an Instagram page. To find us, search Winter Park Presbyterian Preschool. Once on our page "like" us and you will receive all of the updates and pictures that we post. Please tell your relatives and friends about our page. It's a wonderful way for people to get an idea of how great our preschool is. Also, parents feel free to tag the preschool in your personal posts if you like.

We still have a couple of spaces available in our Twos and Pre-K classes. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please send them our way!

Since we are beginning a new school year, let me remind everybody of some of our policies and procedures.

**Dress:** Please send your child to school in comfortable play clothes. **Open backed shoes are NOT permitted.** Croc type shoes are allowed but they must have a back strap and fit tightly enough so they will not come off when the child is running or climbing.

**Pick-Up: Pick** up time is 12 noon unless your child is staying for lunch bunch. Lunch bunch pick up time is 12:55. **Please be on time to pick up your child**. If you have circumstances causing you to be late, please call and let us know. **Late pick up of 10 minutes or more will be subject to a late fee**.

**Tuition:** All tuition is due the first of every month beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> and ending May 1<sup>st</sup>. A \$15 late fee will be incurred for tuition payments made after the 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Lunch Bunch: Lunch** bunch is fun for the kids, and also gives you an extra hour in your morning. We do not provide lunch for lunch bunchers. You must pack a lunch for your child.

Walking in the Parking Lot: Parents please do not walk up the middle of the parking lot when dropping off or picking up your child. This is very dangerous as drivers backing out of spaces may not see you and your child behind their car. Please cross over to the sidewalk and walk up to the door. Please share this policy with anyone who is dropping off or picking up your child. Also, please remember to sign your child in daily!

**Parking:** Please Park in marked parking spaces when dropping off or picking up your child. **No Parking in the two Handicapped Spaces nearest the front door or along the curb.** Please be EXTRA careful when backing out of your space.

**Cell Phones:** Because of the obvious distraction cell phones cause, we have the following policy: The **use of cell phones while driving in the church parking lot for drop-off and pick-up of children is prohibited.**Please share this policy with anyone who is dropping off or picking up your child.

**School Bags:** We prefer that children use a two-handled fabric tote bag, rather than a backpack type bag. We have limited storage space, and these bags are easier to store during the school day. Also, they are much easier and less frustrating for the children to pack and unpack. These bags should be large enough to hold your child's folder. Thanks for your cooperation with this!

Please carefully read the Parent Handbook given to you at Open House. This contains important preschool policies and procedures that all of us need to be aware of and follow.

If you would like to speak to your child's teacher after school, please wait until all children are dismissed before approaching the teacher. This will ensure the safety of all our students, and you will receive the teacher's undivided attention.

**Be sure to check your child's folder daily** for their work and important information. They are very proud of what they do at school and are eager to show it off!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to e-mail or call me. We are all looking forward to another great school year!!!

## **Dates To Remember:**

Monday, September 1st – NO SCHOOL – Labor Day Holiday Tuesday, September 2nd- Preschool Begins Monday, September 15th- Lunch Bunch Begins/ Attractions Book Fundraiser Begins

## September Birthdays

September 7- Grady House September 11- Mrs. Hayes September 19- Kyalynn Howard September 20- Brennan Devaney

Have a great month and thank you for sharing your children with us!!

Mrs. Watson and The Preschool Staff