

Mrs. Shays SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

This month we are working on being silly, being flexible with changes through the day, and being present to all kiddos and learning more about them and their personalities. We want to earn these kiddos' trust and love so that the next 8 months together will be nothing but the best and parents can drop off and know they are in the very best hands even if they are a little teary that day.

Two things to have in your child's backpack:

1. Change of clothes
2. Labeled Water Bottle

(Please label everything, including the backpack) Brightstar has very inexpensive labels that stay on through washing and dishwashing- they are wonderful! You can put in their names or order blank ones to use for your family.

Please wash your child's hands before class in the restrooms in the hallway. Cold and Flu season is right around the corner, and the more we can deter it from coming into our classroom, the better!

We are outside for 30 minutes each day, and we are not allowed to apply sunscreen to the kids, so please lather them up before class, and also bring a labeled sunhat if you would like the extra layer of protection.

I wanted to ask parents if they would rather do the snack sign up, or put money into a pot and I would buy the weekly snacks each Monday and use for the week. Today we had bananas, avocados and sweet peas and we talked about making our bodies strong with healthy food. We will always have crackers or other fillers if a child seems to not want to eat what is given. If every parent would like to contribute monetarily, I'm thinking \$10 or \$20/month if you're in both M/W and T/THR and just \$5 for Friday only kiddos should be plenty. I am a big fan of fresh, healthy, and organic, so my snack choices would be straight from the produce section and cut and chopped in class. If you would rather bring a snack once a month that is absolutely okay too! We do have a dairy sensitivity in the T/TH class and an egg allergy in the M/W class. There is a sign-up genius on our webpage under the *teachers* tab. Just find me and the sign-up is at the bottom. If you would like to venmo I will put my info on the bottom of this email and will keep track of the money we collect and receipts for the food.

I will be buying 1 box of size 4, 1 box of size 5 and one box of wipes from Costco this evening. We have VERY limited space for diapers. 22 kids and 11 tubs under the changing table, so each child will share a tub with another and they only fit about 15 diapers per tub. If it's possible for you all to, again, pitch in for these boxes (I'm thinking \$5/each) It would be so helpful to just be able to restock from those instead of having each kid have their own set of diapers and having to store them all separately. I understand some kiddos have irritation and rash issues and that a certain diaper works best for them and that is totally ok! Just let me know and I will make a note on their diaper cubby. We are unable to apply diaper cream so if you have brought some, I will stick it back in your kids bag and apologize for not letting you know sooner.

Lastly, we will be included in this years Walk-A-Thon on Sept 28th as well as the Littleton Museum on 10/18. Both events will require each child to have a parent, nanny or grandparent to be with them- if you are unable to attend and another mom or dad agrees to take your child as well, that will work as well. For the Walk-A-Thon we will have a wagon with blankets and snacks inside and we will walk down the Highline to the park to play and then enjoy our snacks on the grass. If the weather is bad we will have a normal school day.

If I have not answered a question you have, or if you have any concerns at all please feel free to always text or call me. I know many of you have left teary and worried that your child is sad, but I PROMISE you they are always in caring and loving arms if they are sad.

My venmo is @Shaylynn-Hall and is a picture of a sunflower. Please let me know if you are ok sharing diapers or if you would like to bring in your own and I will make sure that is noted.

Love,
Mrs. Shay
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