Welcome Parents!

 Welcome to preschool! We are so excited about all the adventures it will bring and all the new skills your kiddos will learn! Here are some important pieces of information to ensure a smooth start to the school year.

**Schedule**

Parent drop off will be on the East side of the school in the parking lot by the big gate. Pick up will be by the front office!

* PM classes begin at 12:00 PM and end at 2:30 PM.
* School is Monday-Thursday **(No school of Friday’s).**

**Snack & Water**

Snacks will be provided daily through the school cafeteria. If your child has any allergies, **please let us know ASAP**. If you would prefer to have your child, bring a snack from home that is okay, you can send one in their backpack every day.

It is very important for everyone to stay hydrated, especially in this AZ heat, so please send a **labeled water bottle** every day with your child. We do not have extra water bottles.

**Toileting**

Accidents can happen so please send a **change of clothes** the first week of school for your child in his/her backpack (1 pair of shorts/pants, shirt, underwear, and socks) for us to store in the classroom. Please also send a pack of diapers and pullups.

***\*\*\*\*\* The school does not supply diapers/pull-ups or wipes.***

**Donations**

 Donations to our classroom are welcome but not mandatory. If you would like to donate any supplies here are a few things we always can use in preschool:

* Kleenex
* Clorox wipes
* Paper towels
* Ziplock bags (both large and small)
* Large hand sanitizer bottles

**Classroom info**

Our classroom is designed to provide a high level of support through a high ratio of adults to students, utilizing visual cues, hand-over-hand assistance, sensory experiences, modeling of social interactions, and functional skills for the school environment. I do have 2 paraprofessionals in the classroom with me who reinforce skills learned, facilitate centers, and provide assistance in changing diapers/ pull-ups. If you have any questions or concerns with this let me know 😊

**Class Dojo**

 All of Bologna Elementary will be using ClassDojo as its form of communication this year. You will receive an email/text from ClassDojo with a link to sign up. You can access ClassDojo through your smartphone and/or your computer. This will be the main way we communicate with you throughout the year.

**Communication**

Communication is extremely important. Please feel free to message me using ClassDojo when you have any questions or concerns. You are also welcome to email or call me at any time. I will do my best to get back to you as soon as possible but please allow me 48 hours to respond. I will also do my best to keep you updated on how your child is doing as much as possible 😊 Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns regarding communication.

Backpack & Things

 Each child should bring a backpack daily to school. Please make sure that the backpack is big enough to fit a folder (11”x9.5”) this will help us fit everything they need to send home on a weekly basis. Additionally, please make sure all your child’s possessions are **labeled**. With lots of kiddos running around it can be easy to mix up belongings. We encourage you to label their backpacks, water bottles and clothes. When sending belongings to school we kindly ask that you **do not** send any toys. I know it can be difficult to have them separate from a toy however we have plenty in the classroom and we want to eliminate losing toys or having students argue over toys. Thank you.

 When sending your kiddo to school please send them in close-toed shoes or shoes that are not easy to take off as it can be difficult for myself and my paras to be putting all the kiddos shoes on all day.

We love to keep the lines of communication open. Please note, ClassDojo and email are the best ways to communicate with me. If you would like a phone call, please email me to schedule a time. I am available for phone calls from 7:30-7:45 AM, 10:45 AM – 11:50 AM or 3:00-3:30 PM most days.

I am looking forward to a fantastic year of growth and development and being a part of your child’s learning experience. Thank you for letting us be a part of this journey!

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