

# TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

September 2018 Preschool News



## DEAR PARENTS

**Welcome to Tiny Tots Preschool!** We are very happy you and your child are a part of our preschool family. This is an exciting time for your preschoolers. We also know that it can be a little scary too, because it is a new experience. We want to make the transition as fun and as smooth as possible.

We always welcome family members to visit and volunteer in the classroom. You can participate in parties, special projects, walking trips, or share a talent or skill you have.

The school year will start off with learning about the classroom. We will talk about school rules and proper use of classroom materials. We will also work on social skills and “getting to know you” activities. You can start asking your child if they remember any of the names of their new friends! We want to make the preschool year a very positive, rewarding experience for you and your child. Please let us know what we can do throughout the year to make this the best year ever!

Ms. Jackie & Ms. Pat

## LETTER OF THE WEEK

We will begin celebrating “The Letter of the Week” on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to the yellow sheet sent home the first week of school. Please help your child bring in items or pictures that start with that letter and make sure your child’s name is on items you want returned. Do your homework!

## SCHOOL BACKPACK

**Every child must bring a backpack everyday with his/her name on it.** Please make sure the folder you were given at policy time is inside your child’s bag every day. We will put any notices, calendars/newsletters, homework, etc. in this folder for your child to bring home. Please feel free to send notes and tuition inside the folder back to us as well. All correspondence should be in writing rather than simply relying on verbal conversations with the teachers at pick up and drop off times.

## FEATURED CHILD

**Look for the sharing bag (Show-N-Tell) in your child’s backpack.**

Each child will have a turn to be “featured” and during this time they will receive this bag. Our first “featured” child will begin on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to the green sheet sent home the first week of school for when your child’s turn is. Remember to have your child’s name on these items as well.

## REQUIRED FORMS

**If you haven’t turned in all of your forms, please do so!** All of these forms are required in order for your child to attend. This includes the health care summary along with immunizations.

**Please bring in family photos so we can put together a picture board of all of our preschool families. (Pet pictures are welcome also! They are part of the family too!)**



## SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

We will begin the Scholastic book orders this month. You will receive flyers each month throughout the school year that have books, software, and other educational items for purchase. These make great gifts too! If you are interested in ordering any of these items just fill out the forms and send them in your child's folder along with payment. Please write a separate check to "Tiny Tots" for these books. This month our book orders are due on Wed. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>.

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## TUITION

Remember tuition is due the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month for the next month's tuition. If it is not paid by the 15<sup>th</sup> there is a \$20.00 late fee charged. Put the 15<sup>th</sup> on your home calendar! We accept the following types of payment: cash, checks, Visa and MasterCard (with an additional \$5.00 charge for cards). You may also mail your payments to us postmarked by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

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## EVENTS

We will have a FAMILY EVENT on Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:30 p.m. here at Tiny Tots. We're celebrating Scooby Doo's first cartoon that aired on September 13<sup>th</sup> 1969.



We are going to have coloring sheets, party hats, and cake. Please join us!

Imagine Music will be here on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> to have a bubble party for the children. This will be during their preschool time.



A West St. Paul Police Officer will visit us on Wednesday & Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The officer will show the children his police car and uniform.

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## LOOKING AHEAD

We will be having a *catalogue* fundraiser October 29<sup>th</sup>-November 9<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more information to come soon.

Lifetouch pictures will be here to photograph the children on October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more information to come soon.

Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up. Watch for schedules.



## TYKES CORNER

"Tykes Corner" is a section we have each month in the newsletter where we highlight "good to know" info and share some extra resources.

### Have you heard of Ready4K?

Developed by educational researchers, Ready4K is an evidence-based text messaging program for parents of newborns through five years old. Each week parents receive fun facts and easy tips to boost your child's learning. Ready4K activities build on the things that you already do with your child---like getting dressed, meal time, and bath time---to make boosting your child's learning fast, fun, & easy. You can check out this great program by visiting [ready4k.parentpowered](http://ready4k.parentpowered.com).

**We have reached another school year!** There is a great resource website (see link below) called "Blast Off to Kindergarten."

This has monthly topics of "Get Ready for School", "Get Ready to Read", and "Be Healthy." All of these have skills to practice and suggested reading. Just click on a language and a month. Check it out here: [Blast Off to Kindergarten](http://BlastOfftoKindergarten.com)