

TINY TOTS and LITTLE TYKES inc.

September 2019 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, 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!

Ms. Pat will be cutting her work hours this year as she moves closer to retirement. She will still do music daily in Preschool during the first part of their day.

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

LETTER OF THE WEEK

We will begin celebrating “The Letter of the Week” on September 23rd. 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. 23rd. 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!)



TUITION

Remember tuition is due the 15th of every month for the next month's tuition. If it is not paid by the 15th there is a \$20.00 late fee charged. Put the 15th 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 15th.

EVENTS

We will have Sokhom, one of our past employees, who is now a Mpls. Police Officer visit on Friday, September 27th at 9:30 a.m. He will have his K9 partner with him. He will talk about both of their job responsibilities as well as talk about how they still have to meet the dog's needs. The children will also be able to look at his police car.

LOOKING AHEAD

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

Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up. Watch for schedules to come soon.

We will be having a *Heggie's Pizza* fundraiser in Oct/Nov. Watch for more information to come soon.

FACEBOOK

Most of the photos that we take here are posted on our Facebook page. This is the best place to go to see some of the daily activities. Just simply search for Tiny Tots and Little Tykes Preschool & Child Care or click the following link and LIKE our page to keep up on fun activities: [Tiny Tots and Little Tykes Facebook Page](#).

NEW EMERGENCY RELOCATION SPOT

Our main emergency relocation spot is now the *Goodwill* next door to us rather than *Rhythm & Shoes Dance Studio*. They have recently moved to South St. Paul. *Goodwill* (1867 S. Robert Street) has agreed to be our new relocation spot in the event of an emergency and our building becomes unsafe.



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.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](#)

Also, be sure to check out the Parent Education section on our website for this month's topic: "10 Surefire Solutions to End the Bedtime Battle."