



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.

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!

Also ask your child about the *safe keeper box* and the *kindness tree*. With the *safe keeper box* they take a morning pledge they make before starting the day promising to keep the classroom safe. The *kindness tree* is a fun way to highlight children that are being kind to one another.

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 21st. 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. These items will not be passed around due to COVID-19. 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

Each child will have a turn being the "Featured Child" or "Star of the Week." Look for the "All About Me" poster sent home in their backpack.

During their week they can bring in special items to show the other children such as a favorite book or toy or a collection such as seashells (just to name a few ideas). These items will not be passed around due to COVID-19. A big "About Me" poster will be sent home to fill it out and return. This too will be shown to the other children.

MUSIC

Pat will not be returning this fall but Sharon, an administrative assistant, will be doing music time during preschool hours Tuesdays & Wednesdays. She has a bachelor of arts degree in music education. Music will start in October.



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.

SOCIAL MEDIA



Check out and LIKE/FOLLOW our social media pages for center activity pictures, events, and more. For Facebook just simply search for Tiny Tots and Little Tykes or click the following link and LIKE our page to keep up on fun activities: [Tiny Tots and Little Tykes Facebook Page](#). For Instagram search Tiny Tots and Little Tykes to FOLLOW us or click the following link: [Tiny Tots and Little Tykes Instagram Page](#).

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!)

****Please turn in your "Preschool Questionnaire" to help us get to know your child.**

LOOKING AHEAD

***Due to COVID-19 we will not be having Lifetouch come to take pictures of the children this year.**

Parent/Teacher conferences will be on November 2nd & 3rd. We will be doing these by phone this year. Watch for more information on this as it gets closer.



"We have had two children go through the preschool program at Tiny Tots & Little Tykes. They both have loved it! The teachers, Ms. Pat and Ms. Jackie are wonderful and passionate about what they do. We feel they helped prepare our children for kindergarten and beyond."
~Robyn & Larry V.

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.



Be sure to check out the Parent Education section on our website for this month's topic: **"Family Resources for Remote Learning** and academic resources for preschoolers-school agers and beyond."