

Primary 1 Orientation Packet 2011-2012

Ms. Maggie's Class

Carpool -

Morning carpool is from 8:10-8:30 daily. If you arrive after 8:30, your child will be marked tardy and will need to be walked in to school and signed in at the front office. Please make an effort to arrive on time, as it emphasizes the importance of punctuality to your child and tardy arrivals create distraction in the classroom.

Afternoon carpool is from 3:00-3:20 in the afternoon. Any child not picked up by 3:20 will be taken to the after-school program.

Naptime-

All three and four year old children will have naptime daily. Nap mats will be sent home every Friday to be washed and should be returned to school on Monday.

Lunch -

We teach nutrition in class and encourage healthy eating habits! Any lunches sent from home should be well-balanced and contain the following: a protein, a grain, and two fruits and/or vegetables or a combination of the two. We provide milk to all students for lunch. Please do not include chips, cookies, jell-o, pudding, sweets, etc. If lunches need to remain cold, please enclose a cool pack as we do not have refrigerator space available. We do have a microwave for warming food. If your child's lunch requires heating, please send it in a microwave-safe container.

Remember that our school is nut free, so please be certain not to pack lunches that contain nuts of any kind.

Birthday celebrations -

We enjoy celebrating birthdays in class with a traditional Montessori 'walk around the sun'. We ask that you and your child create a timeline with photos representing each year of their life. You may choose to bring a healthy treat to share with the class (muffins, simple cookies - no frosting or sprinkles, please!, fruit, etc). I can provide a list of acceptable options if you need other ideas!

Toys/Jewelry -

Toys and jewelry are not allowed in the classroom, as they create too much distraction. Please make sure these items do not leave your home or car.

Change of clothes -

Accidents and spills happen, so each child should have a full change of uniform clothing (including socks and shoes!) in their locker just in case. Make sure clothes are weather appropriate and labeled.

Parent/Teacher Communication -

Each child has a Friday folder, which will contain any completed work for the week, communication from the teachers and any office paperwork or forms. Be sure to check your child's mailbox frequently for school communications. In addition, I will send communication via e-mail on classroom activities and information. The best way to contact me is via e-mail (mlmwertz@aol.com) any time you have a question or concern. I am also available before and after school by appointment if you need to speak with me in person.