

# Welcome to Kindergarten!

Dear Room 1 Parents/Guardians

My name is Ms. Tymira Wright and I will be your child's kindergarten teacher. This year will be an exciting and fun-filled year for you and your child. You will be amazed at all of the things your child will learn this year.

I hope you will become involved in your child's academic life. A child benefits greatly when a parent is involved in school. You can help your child by making sure he/she eats healthy meals, gets plenty of rest, arrives at school on time, and completes all homework assignments. Now is the time to set habits that will ensure your child's success throughout his/her school years.

## **Kindergarten Hours 9:00 – 3:20**

A designated responsible escort with ID must sign out and pick up all kindergarten students on time. The school office must be notified by phone or written note if an emergency arises and an unlisted person needs to pick up your child. All escorts are expected to pick up children on time between 3:20-3:30. Any child not picked up by 3:30 will be escorted to the office.

**Lateness** is not tolerated. All students should be in line by 9:00. If you arrive after 9:00 please go in the front doors and sign your child in at the late desk (office).

**Inclement Weather: Arrival;** Children enter through the front door.

**Dismissal:** Pickup time is at 3:20pm except for early dismissal days (12:20pm). Any remaining children will be escorted to the office hall. Parents can enter through the main doors to pick up the students.

## **Communications: Class Dojo Messages**

Appointments must be made in advance to discuss concerns about your child. This is necessary because I must be free to supervise the other students' arrival and dismissal. You may contact me with a phone call (215-400-3690) or a written note in your child's homework folder. The most efficient source is CLASS DOJO! I will respond promptly. Please feel free to contact me with your concerns and questions. Also, please let me know about any significant changes in the life of your child so that I can help support them in the classroom. I appreciate hearing from you. CLASS DOJO is an essential part of our classroom. I will post important announcements and messages daily so please provide a working number or email to enroll. Also, you can send a message and I will see it on Class Dojo and respond as soon as possible.

## **Personal Belongings**

All outside clothing and supplies should be labeled with your child's name and room 1. This is especially important for uniform sweaters. Belts that your child cannot fasten independently are not to be worn to school. Please be sure your child can independently fasten his/her coat as well.

### **TOYS ARE NEVER TO BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL**

Please check and empty your child's book bag each night. I will be sending home classwork, homework, and special projects. Cleaning out the book bag will provide you with an opportunity to congratulate your child on jobs well done!

### **Medicine**

Medicine is not to be sent to school unless the school nurse has been notified and proper forms have been filled out. An adult must take the medicine directly to the nurse.

### **Absences**

Notes are required explaining your child's absence and should be sent on the **day of return**. Failure to do so will result in the absence being recorded as **"parental neglect"**.

### **Meals**

Free breakfast and lunch are served each day.

**SNACK: We strongly suggest, a healthy snack** should be sent to school each day. No candy or chips allowed! Suggestions – carrots, pretzels, raisins, fruit, or a p+j sandwich. You may also send a bottle of plain water but no other drinks.

### **Homework**

Homework packet is assigned on Friday. It is due the following Friday. Please be sure that all the assignments are completed with adult supervision so that homework is completed neatly and correctly. **Cutting, writing, and drawing are to be done by your child!!! Give lots of encouragement and watch the skills develop.** Set up a special time and place for homework to set good habits for life. Make sure your child has a homework box of supplies including: sharp pencils, crayons, scissors and a glue stick. The most important homework is not written, the reading of the 100 Books, Read to Me Books, and the study of sight words!

100 Book Challenge/Read To Me: As part of homework, please read and record every 15 minutes of reading (1 step) completed at home. Students may log up to (2 steps) which is (30) minutes of reading per night. This includes reading to your child with the (Read to Me) book. PLEASE KEEP THE BOOKS IN THE PLASTIC BAG TO AVOID LOSS OR DAMAGE! There will be a cost for damaged or lost books.

Behavior Calendar:Calendars will be in the homework folder and will reflect your child behavior daily. Please sign daily!

### **Uniforms**

Uniforms are to be worn each day as mandated. This includes light blue shirts/navy blue bottoms along with black shoes or sneakers. No sandals. Our uniform policy will be strictly enforced this year! **Gym uniforms** should be purchased at Back to School Night. Plain navy blue sweat suits and regular school uniform shirts will be acceptable until the gym uniform shirts arrive.

### **Scholastic Book Club**

Room 1 will be participating in the Scholastic Book Club. Book order forms will be sent home once a month so you may order the inexpensive books from the form. There is no minimum to order, no tax, and no shipping and handling cost! I highly recommend participation because the books are on your child's reading and listening level. Reading books to and with your child builds vocabulary and reading skills. However, purchasing books is not mandatory.

### **Special Class Schedule**

Monday-Friday: Students will have a designated prep on each day. These include:  
-Digital Literacy, -Physical Education, - Art,- Digital Literacy, - Physical Education

On gym days please wear the proper uniform listed above.

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### **First Day**

Parents are asked to say their good-byes in the yard. No parents will be admitted to the classroom. This policy helps all children to make a smoother transition.

**Thank you. I look forward to getting to know you and your child.**

Ms. Tymira Wright

## **Kindergarten Supply List**

Please ensure that your child is equipped with materials to use at home and needed for a successful school year. Thank you!

## **2025-2026 Kindergarten Supply List**

*It is important that your child is equipped with all the materials that are needed to gear him/her up for success this school year. The following are materials that will be needed for school use.*

- **1 Backpack (No WHEELS)**
- **1 box of Crayola crayons**
- **1 box of washable markers**
- **4 EXPO Dry Erase Markers**
- **2 boxes of tissues**
- **1 Container of Clorox or Lysol Wipes**
- **1 Box of (Gallon) Zip lock bags**
- **1 Box of ziploc sandwich bags**
- **1 pack of 3x5 cards**
- **1 pair of over the ear headphones (no earbuds)**

**\*\*\*\*In addition, please purchase these supplies listed below for homework completion at home.\*\*\*\*  
(These supplies stay home)**

- \*pencils \* 1 box of crayons \*glue sticks**
- \* scissors**