

Southminster School

Preschool Information 2018-2019

The first day of Preschool is **Wednesday, August 29** for the 3-day **MWF classes** (MWF Teddies, MWF Giraffes, MWF Bunnies, MWF Kittens, MWF Turtles, MWF Lions, and MWF Pandas) and **5-day classes** (Tigers, Zebras and Penguins).

The first day of Preschool is **Thursday, August 30** for the 2-day **TTH classes** (TTH Bunnies, TTH Turtles, TTH Kittens, TTH Lions and TTH Pandas).

* Please note: Children enrolled in both a MWF and a TTH class will begin school on **Wednesday, August 29**.

Parents are invited to attend a **Parents-Only Orientation on Monday, August 27**. Orientation will be in the Church Sanctuary and will begin promptly at 6:30 pm. Parents will meet with the school staff to obtain specific instructions regarding volunteer service, carpool, and school policies & procedures.

Parents and children are invited to meet the teacher and see the classroom on **Tuesday, August 28**. Students attending school for 3-day **MWF classes** and the **Penguin class** will come from **9 to 10 am**. Students attending school for 2-day **TTH classes** and the **Zebras & Tigers classes** will come from **10 to 11 am**.

Please complete and return the following forms by August 31, 2018. Forms are available on the Southminster website under the Summer Information tab.

- Me & My Family Form
- Extended Care (if your child will need extended care and you have not already turned in the form)

What to Bring

- regular-sized backpack large enough to hold a 1-inch binder, lunch & snack, change of clothes
- complete change of clothes, socks and shoes
- rest mat that is waterproof or washable and at least 5/8 inches thick & a blanket or cover
- a small lovey for naptime, if needed (must be able to fit inside backpack)

What to Wear

- Comfortable play clothes that can be easily removed for diapering or toileting
- Closed toed shoes (no sandals)

Carpool Procedures

Carpool Procedures can be found on the school website under the Summer Information tab.

Snack & Lunch

All preschool students need to bring a snack from home. Hot lunches can be ordered through Lunch Direct. A link to their website is on the school website under the Important School Links tab.

Please provide a cold pack with lunches from home to maintain safe food temperatures. Please also send a reusable water bottle daily.

School Supplies

Students in preschool are asked to bring a box of Kleenex, Clorox Wipes, and Ziploc storage bags.

Extended Care

Everyone who has enrolled their child in extended care will receive one key card (included in extended care registration fee) to access the building during extended care hours only. Additional cards are \$15 each. Please do not write the school name, address or any other identifying information on the Key Card. Each Key Card has an individual ID number coded to a specific family member. **To insure the added safety of each child, all parents, grandparents, nannies, etc. who pick up during extended care hours must stop by the school office at the beginning of the year to have their driver's license scanned in order to receive an ID badge for extended care pickup.**

Parent Handbook

The Parent Handbook is now available on the school website. It details the policies and procedures to which all families must adhere. Please click on the **Parents** tab and then the **Handbook/Tips** tab to access the handbook file. You will be asked to **sign** the **Student Emergency Procedure Card** that you have read the Parent Handbook and will abide by the policies therein. Parents will receive the Student Emergency Procedure Cards and Clinic Emergency Card at the Parent Orientation.

Do You Need a Question Answered? The Website is the Answer!

Need another copy of a form? What are the summer office hours? All these questions and more can be answered by a visit to the Southminster School website: www.southminsterschool.org.