

Pre-K 2025-2026
Mrs. Janet La Bella- Ilardi
Pre-K-2

Dear Parents,

Hello and welcome to pre-k! My name is Janet La Bella-Ilardi and I will be your child's teacher along with our paraprofessional, Kina Wu. We are delighted to be working with your children.

The first month of school can be a difficult transition time for many children. In the next few weeks, we will have many fun activities planned that will remind children of their loved ones and help ease their separation from families and caregivers. This will include creating pictures of the people and things that we love. We will share these with our friends and classmates.

I have included some general classroom reminders and needs below. Please read through them and keep this letter at home as a reference:

*** Take-Home Folder:**

- Every student will have his or her own take-home folder. This is where you will find any notices from the school or myself. It is also where you can send any papers that need to be returned or activities your child completes. This will be a significant form of communication between us, so it is very important the folder goes home and comes back to school everyday. Please be sure the folder can fit straight up in the backpack without being folded or bent.

*** Class Dojo:**

- Please sign up for class dojo as soon as possible! It is the easiest way for us to communicate during the school year, so it is very important everyone joins.
- Be sure to sign up as a parent and include your email address. If you only do it for your child, we will not be able to message each other privately. You will only be able to comment under the posts.
- I know it can be confusing and I'm here to help! Please let me know if you're having any difficulties logging on.

* **Supplies:**

- Please see attached supply list. A donation of any of these supplies to our classroom would be very much appreciated!

* **Change of Clothes:**

- Please send in a full change of clothing (shirt, pants, underwear, socks) in a Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. If the clothes are used, please be sure to replace the dirty ones with a new set the next day.

* **Rest Time:**

- Students will have time to rest each day on a school mat. You may send in a small stuffed animal, a small blanket (labeled with your child's name) in a reusable bag or a roll-up nap mat (see picture in supply list).
- Items will be sent home every other Friday to be washed and then must be returned to school on Monday.

* **Attendance Policy:**

- School starts promptly at 8:00 am. If your child arrives after 8:00 am, they will be marked late.
- If your child is absent, please send in a note from either the doctor or parent explaining the reason for absence.

* **Early Pick-Up:**

- If you need to pick up your child from school early, please leave a note in their take-home folder, message me on class dojo or if it's the same day, you can call the school with the time you'll be coming.
- It is important that I am aware they will be leaving early. The note should include the date, time and reason for the early pick-up.

* **Blue Cards/Emergency Contact Information:**

- These cards have very important information and need to be filled out, signed and returned as soon as possible.
- We will NOT release your child to anyone who is not on the blue card unless you provide verbal and/or written consent.

* **Allergies:**

- Please fill out the allergy form (include a picture of your child) so we are aware of any allergies your child may have or any special concerns you would like us to know about. You may return it in your child's take-home folder.

* **Video Consent Form:**

- Please read and fill out this form for PS 131 to have on file.

* **Contacting Us:**

- The easiest way to contact us is by writing a note and putting it in your child's take-home folder, as I will be checking them everyday or messaging me on class dojo.
- If there is an urgent matter, contact the main office at (718) 431-1960.

Thank you so much for working together to make this a successful school year. It is truly an honor to be your child's pre-k teacher!

Sincerely,

Ms. La Bella-Ilardi

Pre-k Contact Information:

* **Child's Name** _____ ***Child's Birthday** _____

* **What is the best number to reach you in case of an emergency?**

- Name _____ Cell Number _____
Email _____ Work Number _____

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Email _____ Work Number _____

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* **Does your child have any brothers or sisters?**

- Name _____ Age _____ School _____

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* **Is there anything you'd like me to know about your child?**
