



Dear Parents and all of our *Superkids*,

**Welcome!**

We hope you had a wonderful summer and are ready for the exciting year ahead of us. Our teachers and staff are very happy to see our „old“ kids back, and eager to have our „new“ children incorporated into our Superkids family.

To make starting the new school year easier, we have listed a few important things that you need to know about our school and classrooms procedures:

**Clothes:** Please make sure your child is dressed in clothing that is appropriate for fun and play. Also, please provide an extra set of clothes, socks and underwear in her/his locker.

**Indoor/outdoor Shoes:** Due to sand, mud and eventually snow, we will change our shoes whenever we come inside. Please send a pair of shoes or sandals that your child can easily put on and take off. Please check these shoes periodically to make sure they still fit and are in good condition.

**Tennis and Gym:** Every week our children will need to wear T-shirts and sport shoes for these classes. They may wear their indoor shoes if appropriate, but slippers and sandals are not suitable for gym.

Since the kids do become sweaty during class, we suggest you bring a short sleeve T-shirt they can change into. We will make sure that everybody is properly dressed and there will be time for changing clothes if necessary.

**Labels:** Please put your child's name on jackets, coats, sweatshirts and hats. Some of our kids don't remember their own clothes by the end of the day, so it would be a great help to have labels on everything possible. It also helps when trying to locate misplaced clothes.

**Drop off:** Many children experience difficulty separating from parents in the morning. If your child is one of them, please let us know so that we can help him/her deal with those painful goodbyes. In order to make transition easiest for the children please try to say goodbye to them outside the classroom. It is very disruptive for the other children in the class to see another parent walk in and it also disturbs ongoing class activities.

**Going Home:** For your child's safety, please let us know as soon as possible if there is a change in the way your child normally goes home from school and if somebody else is picking them up. We would also like to ask you to let your child's teachers know when you are taking him/her from the garden.

Pick-up time is four o'clock. Please let us know in advance if you will be picking up your child after this time. Your classroom teacher will stay in the classroom for an extra ten minutes after four, but after that the child will be transferred to the care of the teacher of the after-school program. These times we keep track of and it is payable to Barbara at the end of each month.

**Boxes and Parent's Board:** Please remember to check and empty your child's box, where you will find the projects, art work and all the worksheets we have done during the day. We would also like to ask you to check our Parent's Board where you will find our weekly program, our events to come, our weekly menu, and all the information you need to know every week. We also issue monthly newsletters that contain information about the events coming up.

**Open House:** The more access parents have to the school during the initial weeks, the more comfortable they will feel about leaving their children here. We would like to invite all parents to our Open House orientation meeting to be held from 6 pm on September 11, 2009. In addition to learning about us and about our teaching, parents can get answers to questions that were not answered during the school visits, or new ones they may have.

**Specials:** As usual, we will start our extracurricular activities in the third week of September. *ESL, Gym, Tennis, Drama, Folk Dance* and *Music* are free of charge, while *Swimming, Skating, Dance/ballet, Judo, Piano and Violin lessons* will have to be paid separately but will be incorporated into the children's schedule.

We are inviting the instructors to our Open House evening on the 11th of September, so all your questions can be answered and signing up for these activities completed then .

If you need more information or you have any suggestion, concern or comment please feel free to contact us personally or at 394 3858.

We are looking forward to starting another exciting and successful school year together.