

# Cherry Hill Pre-School

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## ***HAPPY NEW YEAR!***

First and foremost I would like to thank everyone for such generosity expressed to Cherry Hill Pre-School this holiday season! We are all so grateful for our wonderful families and students! We look forward to working with your children and preparing them for new challenges in the new year! ***A special thank-you to all who donated to The Ronald McDonald House this holiday season.*** The Ronald McDonald House was extremely grateful and overwhelmed with such generosity! Their needs are always so great with all the families they support every day so anything we can do help is appreciated. I posted two thank you letters from The Ronald McDonald House on the parent bulletin board for you to read.

### **General Reminders**

- Letter Pockets for January are J, K, and L.** Please encourage your student to bring in pictures **at least once each week.**
- Book orders due no later than Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.
- There is **no school** on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> - Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- Colors** for January are **BLUE and WHITE**
- Shapes** for January are **RECTANGLE and STAR**

### **2019-2020 our 39<sup>th</sup> School Year**

I can't believe I will be registering for a new school year next month! We will have available 2, 3, 4 or 5 day morning classes (8:30-11:30am) and a 2, 3, or 4 afternoon classes (12:15-3:15) Monday-Thursday. Tuition prices will increase slightly after 3 years. As always current students and their families are considered first for availability in attending Cherry Hill so it is imperative that you return the pre-registration form after you receive it, with your choice of days in the morning or afternoon class along with the registration fee of \$75 A.S.A.P. I will not put your name on the class roster without the registration fee. If you know of anyone interested in preschool please pass my contact information along. I would greatly appreciate it. Word of mouth is my best advertisement! Please advise interested parents to check out our website, locate us on Facebook, and the school phone number. Thank you!

### **Classroom News**

The holidays are fun and exciting for all but we are anxious to focus on more skill building now that they are over. January is "Back to Basics" month. We will be working in all skill areas, concentrating on fine motor including writing, listening, math and literature. Since we are in a new season we will be discussing the effects of winter in nature, on people, and participating in winter related stories, gross and fine motor activities. Pre-K students will be circulating a Math

activity Book Bag this month as well. I will continue to evaluate each child's progress. Everyone will receive a detailed Progress Report by the end of the month with conference options available.

**Some general reminders for you that will really help the teachers and your child to be independent that get forgotten as the school year goes on:**

Please CALL the school when your child is going to be out, DRESS your child in clothes they can manage in the bathroom and outerwear that is also child friendly, LABEL your child's outerwear, scarves are not necessary to wear in to school, NO jewelry such as bracelets, necklaces, watches, rings, please make your child use the bathroom right before they come to school, double-knot shoelaces, PLEASE REMOVE DRINK BOX STRAW WRAPPERS for their snack that is difficult for most students, be conscious of the snack you're sending such as if too messy and most of all HEALTHY! Continue to work with your child on dressing themselves, putting on their coat, etc. "An independent child is a secure child" and very helpful for you as well.

Snow boots and rain boots are NOT permitted to be worn inside the classroom. If you feel it is necessary that they wear snow boots or rain boots to school please send a change of easy slip on shoes that your child can manage independently. We are trying to avoid the floor from becoming slippery and the rugs from getting wet. Please remember that we play and sit on the carpet. Thank you for your cooperation. Umbrellas are also not permitted due to limited space for drying and more importantly the safety of other children.

**Emergency Closings**

Please be reminded to call the school and/or check your e-mail after 7:00am on any questionable weather days. I will be sure to do my best to change my school message machine and send e-mails before 7:00am IF AND ONLY IF we are closing school that day.

Now that the cold weather is upon us, you should really be thinking about dressing your child accordingly. The school is heated by electric baseboard and sometimes takes a while to warm up. It would be helpful to dress your child in layers, and as the day progresses we can remove a layer if they become too warm. We want to be sure that your child is always cozy and comfortable.

Cold and flu season is upon us and we all know that no matter how hard we try germs spread and children are easily susceptible. Please be assured that as their teachers we are very careful about advising parents to keep their child home when there is any question of illness. Please be considerate of the teachers and other children when trying to determine if your child is well enough to attend school. *Thank you for your cooperation in all of these matters.*