

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Kindergarten! I want to get you off to a good start, so I will try to answer some of your immediate questions in this newsletter.

The first day of school is on Friday, August 23rd. Our school day hours are from 8:20 to 3:20 every day. Students should not be dropped off prior to 8:10 each day and must be picked up by 3:30. If these times do not work for you, there are still spots available in our before and after school Adventure Club program. Please contact Ms. Justina at 244-2534, if you are interested.

Here is a list of things your child will need to bring on the first day of school or soon after:

- One box of 5 oz Dixie cups
- Three folders- (any color/design is fine. Full size, top loading)
- One box of #2 pencils, **sharpened**
- One box- 8 or 10 count Crayola Markers
- Two boxes of Kleenex
- Two canisters of disinfectant wipes
- Two rolls of paper towels
- One box of quart or gallon size baggies- **no slider zippers**, please
- Two reams of white 8 ½ x 11 multi-use copy paper
- One white 1inch three ring binder
- One backpack (please no rollers or mini backpacks)

**Supply Fee:**

There will be a \$40.00 supply fee at the beginning of the year. This covers school supplies that we order for each child. (Crayons, scissors, glue, colored pencils, art materials, etc.) This fee will be applied to your FACTS tuition account.

**Snack:**

We ask one child to bring snack each day. You will receive a snack calendar at the beginning of each month. The treat bag will go home the night before your child is to bring snack. Snack must be healthy, pre-packaged and all the same type/flavor.

**Lunch:**

Saint Anthony's offers hot lunch daily. All lunch and milk purchases will be charged to your FACTS Tuition account. If you choose not to have your child eat hot lunch you will need to send a cold lunch. You can purchase milk for your cold lunch students. Please remember that we are unable to heat up lunches, and pop is not allowed. If you have any questions regarding lunches at any time during the year, please contact Larissa at 243-1874 ext. 214. She also has an office in the cafeteria where you may visit with her.

**Daily folders:**

We will send your child's folder home daily. It will contain work from the day or important notes from school. Please check and empty your child's folder daily so that we know you have seen the information.

**Transportation:**

As teachers, it is vital for us to know how your child is going to get to/from school every day. You will be filling out a transportation form on Meet the Teacher night (August 20th). If, for any reason, your child will be getting out early for an appointment, taking another mode of transportation or if

someone else is picking up your child on any particular day, we will need a note or e-mail sent that morning.

**Uniforms:**

Jumpers- Girls will be allowed to wear a plaid jumper purchased from Land's End Uniform in the approved St. Anthony colors. Jumpers may also be khaki tan or navy blue.

**Classic Navy Plaid**



Shirts- White, navy blue, light blue, red, maroon, or black collared shirts (must be tucked in). Long or short sleeves are fine.

Pants- Students will be allowed to wear khaki tan or navy blue.

Shorts/Skorts- Students are allowed to wear navy or khaki tan shorts with a 6" inseam only in August-November and April-May.

Capris- Girls will be allowed to wear navy Capri pants during months that shorts are permitted.

Sweaters/Sweatshirts: Sweaters must be navy blue. Saint Anthony or Dowling sweatshirts can also be worn. No hooded sweatshirts of any kind are permitted.

Shoes: Tennis shoes work best as they do have recess daily and gym twice a week. **Sandals or backless shoes may not be worn!**

**Wish List:**

As you are probably aware, teachers are on a very tight budget. There are some items that I can always use in our kindergarten classroom. If you can help me with any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated.

- iTunes gift cards
- Blue painter's tape
- Crayola Twistable Crayons
- Command hooks
- Teacher's Pay Teachers Gift Certificates

Wow! I know this is a ton of information! I hope that I answered some of your questions. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. It's going to be a great year! Pat yourselves on the backs. You did it! They are ready for Kindergarten and so am I!

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