

# Early Childhood Information

## School Day

Beta: doors open at 8:00 and class begins at 8:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. with the option to stay for PS+ After School: 3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Extended Care: 4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. (\$15 fee)

Prekindergarten and Kindergarten: doors open at 8:00 and class begins at 8:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. with the option to stay for PS+ Before School: 7:15 a.m. - 8:00 a.m., PS+ After School: 3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Extended Care: 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (\$15 fee)

PS+ Before School is available for all students except students who can only participate in After School PS+ and Extended Care. First day of PS+ and Extended Care is August 22. In addition, after school auxiliary classes are available.

## Uniforms

Students must wear uniforms from Sue Mills and close-toed rubber soled shoes. Belts are not required for Early Childhood Students.

## Supplies and Lunch

- All Early Childhood students should bring a snack, lunch and water bottle every day. Early Childhood students are not eligible to purchase hot lunch.
- Students are given a PS backpack to use for the school year.
- Full day Beta students should bring a nap mat or sheet for nap time.
- Students are provided all school supplies and materials.

## Class lists

Decisions regarding class placement are carefully considered over the summer and are announced a week before school starts in August. Early Childhood and Lower School parents will receive their child's class list via email from Head of Early Childhood, Lois Geiger.

## Summer skills

Information regarding summer activities and skills is available on the Parent Portal. Any required reading is provided.

## **Potty Training Policy**

It is an expectation that all Betas will be fully, independently potty trained at the start of school. Being fully potty trained includes both urination and bowel movements. Independence in using the bathroom means that children can undress, dress and wipe themselves. They should also be able to wash their hands.

If a child has more than one accident during the course of a single day, parents will be asked to pick-up their child from school. The child may return to school the following day.

For a full day student, the expectation is that the child must be potty trained even through nap time. If a child has three accidents in the afternoon during one school week, then parents will be asked to pick up their child at noon dismissal until such time as the child is consistently able to make it through the afternoon without an accident.

Note: The Plaid Skort for girls is very difficult to unbutton. Should you choose to purchase this skort, please replace the button with Velcro.