

Wee Three's PM LITTLE ROOM Newsletter September 2024

Dear Families,

Hello! Welcome to Middleburg Early Education Center (MEEC). We are excited to be working with your family this year! Each month, you will be receiving a newsletter via email, introducing our classroom themes and alerting you to important upcoming dates and events. It is our hope that this communication will help you prepare your child for class, as well as help with conversations about school.

For the month of September, we will be concentrating on adjusting to our new classroom setting and meeting new friends. We will also be learning some new developmental skills!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION & DATES

Fall Field Trip: On Tuesday, October 8th we will have an all school field trip to Red Wagon Farm! Even if your child does not attend school on this day, they are invited! Families will meet at the farm and start their field trip at 10 am. Please don't forget to hand in your response form by Friday, September 27th. Money and forms are to be enclosed in an envelope marked field trip and returned to the bin on the shelf in the hall! Please remember that there will be NO SCHOOL on this day!

Fall Picture Day: Lifetouch Photography will be coming to our school on Wednesday, October 16th and Thursday, October 17th. Pictures will be taken during your child's class time! A flier with more information will be sent home soon with more information.

I Went Walking

Sue Williams

Julie Vivas

I Went Walking: The first few months of school, we will be working on identifying nine colors and creating our own version of the book I Went Walking by: Sue Williams. Each week the children will complete a color in their book. They will also begin to gain literacy skills as we discuss the title and author of the book. We will practice reading our book aloud. The children will begin to understand the meaning

behind printed text, by using their "reading finger" on the words as we read aloud. The children will also gain understanding that when reading words, we start from the left and go to the right. In addition, we will work on turning one page at a time. We think that you will be surprised when they bring the book home and try to read their book to you!

Color of the Week: Each week we will be learning a new color. We encourage everyone to wear that color to school on each Wednesday/Friday (dependent on your child's class schedule). Please do not feel that you need to purchase a certain color shirt. Just a little bit of color would be great! This will help make a great connection at home with the activities that we are doing at school! Thank you for your support!!

Proper Shoes and Clothing: Tennis shoes are to be worn to school. Gym activities require a rubber sole to support safe participation. In preschool, we do many activities with markers, paint, or glue, which generally wash out of clothing, but it is always a good idea to have your child dressed in clothing that you wouldn't mind getting messy. We also ask that you provide an extra change of clothes in your child's backpack just in case! If your child is not potty trained please also send in a few diapers/pull-ups.



Remind App: This app will help keep you up-to-date with what is going on in your child's class (reminders about special activities, school cancellations, etc.). You will also be able to communicate directly with your child's teacher through this app (questions, absences, etc.). Please text the number 81010 and then in the text message box enter the code @wee3pm.



Snack Sign-Up: Each family is asked to sign up to supply a week's worth of snacks 1 to 2 times before January. You can sign up for your child's class by clicking the link below.

Sign up here!

Due to food allergies, we have a **NO NUT OR NUT PRODUCTS** policy in the classroom. **Fresh fruit or veggies cut up are encouraged**. Children at this age can be limited in their snack selections, so we encourage them to try new foods!



PLEASE SUPPLY:

Snack for 12 students for a week

Backpacks: Please make sure to send your child to school with a backpack each day. We ask that you also check their backpack daily for any mail that they may receive. Please also include a complete change of clothes in your child's backpack because we can get messy at preschool. If your child is not potty trained, please also pack a few diapers and wipes.



Email Address: This month's newsletter is being sent home and emailed to you. If for some reason you do not receive an email version of the newsletter, please let Ms. Cindy in the office know, so she can get your correct email address on file. All newsletters will be posted on our school website and emailed to you at the beginning of each month.

Family Needs Assessment: Please return the Family Needs Assessment paper to the tray in the hall outside of our classroom no later than September 13th.

Daily Schedule

Entry: Children will find their cubbies in the hallway, hang up their bags, and enter the classroom. We ask that you encourage your child to try and find their own name and hang up their own belongings.

Fine Motor: The children will come directly to the table to complete a fine motor activity.

Gym: The children will then go to the gym for gross motor work. Gym includes an obstacle course paired with the weekly theme, along with large group activities and skills.

Circle Time: All of the children will gather on the carpet for a language-based lesson which will include music and movement activities. Here, we will sing a "Hello" song that greets each child individually. We will sing about the weather, monthly themes, etc. All of the classroom teachers sit with the children during circle time.

Movement Break: The students will work outside the classroom on various movement activities. This movement break will allow their bodies to increase their blood and oxygen flow which will then positively affect their cognitive development.

Craft: The children will then return to their teachers table for a theme related art activity.

Freeplay: During freeplay, children are allowed to make a plan for their free play by choosing their desired activity from 2-3 choices provided. This is a great opportunity to make a plan, carry it out, and engage with their peers!

Snack/Dismissal: At snack time, children work on their table manners, opening containers, and verbalizing requests. This is a great time to engage in conversations with teachers and peers!

Classroom Activities

September Themes: Songs:

All About Me

Friends in the Dell

Friends Shake a Friend's Hand



Apples Way Up High in a Apple Tree
If You're Happy & You Know it
Wheels on the Bus

Week of September 2nd:

Handprint Keepsake All About Me Worksheet Backpack School Rules Craft

Week of September 9th:

Bluey Crown
Blue Bird
Little Blue Truck

WEAR BLUE ON WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY



Apple Tree Red Cow Apple Prints

WEAR RED ON WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY

Week of September 23rd:

Green Frog Green Duck







Big Green Monster

WEAR GREEN ON WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY

Week of September 30th:

Corn Craft Yellow Sunflower Yellow Dog



WEAR YELLOW ON WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY

Again, we would like to welcome you to MEEC! We are looking forward to getting to know your child and watching him/her develop and grow throughout this school year!

Thank You,

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