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We would like to welcome you to Noah’s Ark. We are all looking forward to getting to know you and your child.

Check out our website @ noahsarkburlington.com

Notices:

* Health forms are due the first day of school.
* Look at the Parents’ Bulletin Board and the white wipe-off board in the hallway for the latest happenings.
* Beautiful junk may be placed in the box below the Parents’ Bulletin Board.
* If your child is sick and will not be attending school, please call 767-9095 to let us know.
* Please remember to send extra clothes for your child, including underwear, in a Ziploc bag with your child’s name on it.

School Information

Mrs. Dorn and Mrs. Pum are both administrators this year for our school. If have any questions or need anything, please ask. They are available Monday through Friday from 7-5. Or you can reach them by phone 767-9095.

Spread the word… There are still openings to register your child for this year.

We collect sales receipts

With “Funds for Friends” stickers from Burlington Sentry. If you or someone you know shops there, please ask for the “Funds for Friends” sticker to be put on the back of the receipt and bring them to the specially marked container on the parents’ cart near the parents’ bulletin board. We will receive 1% of the total receipts. These totals really add up and have helped us keep our tuition rates down. So please continue to save the receipts for us! If you have any questions, please see any of the teachers.

September 5

The first day of school will include a tour of the classroom, a few simple rules, meeting new friends, the opportunity to use watercolors, play dough, and possibly the water table as well as a story and many other fun and educational activities. If the weather is nice we’ll go outside on the playground so the children can exercise their large muscles.

September 23

Scholastic Book Club order forms are due by today. You will see order forms for preschool books and other fun and educational items in your child’s basket. If you care to purchase any, please complete the order form and make checks payable to Scholastic Book Clubs and return both by September 23rd. We will send these order forms home monthly.

First School Wide Theme At the Campsite

We will have so much fun our first month of school because our first theme is “At the Campsite!” We will be getting familiar with our classroom, classmates, and classroom routines. We will have fun exploring our heads, shoulders, knees, and toes. We will make face sandwiches for snack to help us recognize our body parts. September brings new friendships! Let the fun begin!

Chapel

Students in both Mrs. Dorn’s and Mrs. Pum’s class will meet with Pastor Kristin on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month for a brief chapel visit. Pastor always has wonderful bible stories to share with the children.

Volunteers

We are in need of a few parent volunteers for the school year. We are looking for a parent that could help out in the office on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 8:30-9:15 a.m. The volunteer would answer the phone and prepare the morning snack, office projects, and assist teachers in preparing class projects (such as cutting, laminating or copying). Let your teacher know if you are interested.

Extended Care

Noah’s Ark offers before and after school care. Extended care runs from 7:00 AM -5:00 PM. Please consider this option if your child is in need of extended care. We offer very competitive rates in a warm and educational setting. Attending a day or two per week is a great opportunity to expand your child’s social skills. We do have some openings available at this time. There is more information listed in the Parent Handbook about this program. If you have any additional questions, please talk to a teacher or call the office.

Snack Calendar

If you have been assigned to bring snack during September, there will be a copy of the snack calendar in your child’s basket. A snack bag will also be in your child’s basket the day before you are to bring snack. You will not receive a copy of the snack calendar unless it is your child’s turn to bring snack during the month. Guidelines and suggestions of what to bring will be attached to the calendar. You will provide snack and beverage for all classes that day (approximately 30 servings).

What to wear

When dressing your child for school, please remember we use lots of paint, glue, ink pads and scissors. Therefore, have your child wear clothes that can possibly get messy or stained, not his/her best, most expensive clothes. Another important aspect of your child’s clothing, is his/her shoes. We’re going to make almost daily use of our playground so shoes appropriate for running, climbing and going for walks near school are essential. Clogs are very difficult to keep on during such active play and high heels become uncomfortable. So please keep all this activity in mind when getting out clothes for school. Thank you for your help.

Security Door

Doors will be open @ 8:10am and 11:05am. Otherwise they will be locked during school hours. If you need to get into the building during the times when the doors are locked, you will need to be buzzed in.

Quick reminders

Students may enter the building in the morning when the Noah’s Ark flag is in the window. The flag will be hung in the entryway at 8:25m. The teachers are often doing last minute preparations for their classrooms before that time.

The start of the school year is an exciting time but can also be filled with a little hesitation or fear. A kiss, hug and a word of encouragement will help with the transition. Please feel free to call the office and checked on your child if you are concerned.

We do not have any pets in our school. Our state rules require us to tell you this.

Sincerely,

The Staff of Noah’s Ark

“It Shouldn’t Matter How Slowly A Child Learns As Long As We Are Encouraging Them Not To Stop.”