



The Little School at
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SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the new school year (finally)! We are excited to start the semester and are looking forward to getting to know your children!

Everything looks a little different this year and we appreciate your patience and understanding with the new procedures.

As always, be sure to check the calendar below for any updates and/or important upcoming events.

We will have pictures in October - check the information below - and I will email you the backdrop as soon as I get it!

If you have any questions or concerns,

please feel free to email me. I did get overwhelmed this summer with emails and had a tough time staying caught up but I promise to do better!

We are looking forward to a great year!

Love, Candice

Upcoming Events and Special News

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- September 8th – First Day of School!
- October 12th – Columbus Day – No School
- October 13th and 14th – Individual Pictures
- October 29th and 30th – Halloween Parties



Important Reminders

Please label everything that you send with your child's first and last name (licensing regulation)

Remember that we are a **peanut and tree nut free school**-no peanut butter or peanut snacks

Always bring your purse in with you from your car

Tuition is due by the 10th of each month (we don't send bills) - please make checks payable to MDPC

Please do not bring your child to school if he/she has had a fever, diarrhea or vomiting within 24 hours of attending

If you have not already provided us with updated immunization records (or other forms), please do so as soon as you can!

Early Bird and Extended Day

At this time, we are not offering Early Bird and are offering Extended Day only until 4:00. This is to allow for the same teachers to stay with their children continuously throughout the day.

When we are able to combine classes again, we will be able to offer Early Bird and Extended Day until 5:00.

I am sorry for the inconvenience but we are doing our best to keep the children and teachers healthy. These abbreviated hours also allow us to close one classroom (instead of multiple classes)

should we have a case of COVID in one of the rooms. Thanks for understanding!

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

Jamie, from In Focus Photography will be here October 13th and 14th to take individual picture of the children. If your child is not registered on Tuesday or Wednesday, you may bring your child (Tuesday is best) between 9:30 and 10:15 and we will work your child in. Please let us know in advance so that we can expect you! You will need to come to The Little School office first!

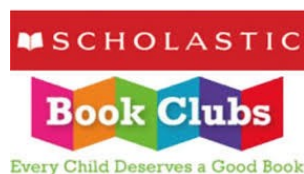


Important Information

BOOK ORDERS

A book order for September is coming home now! You may always order online at Scholastic.com (there are even more choices of books online!) – just use our code KPG3V.

This is an awesome way to build your child's home library with inexpensive books and we realize points towards free books for our school! How awesome is that?



MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Moms of littles, let's meet up!

MOPS this year will meet in-person in the front and back yards of our mentor moms on Thursdays. Babies under one are welcome. We will have a morning small group (10-11amish, 77079) and an evening small group (8-9pm, 77024). Jump into a group for some much-needed connection, discussion and encouragement. We can do this!

To register visit: https://my.mdpc.org/portal/event_detail.aspx?id=29759

Reach out to Amanda Caldwell with questions: acaldwell@mdpc.org



We offer an expansive lineup of quality classes and activities which develop knowledge and skills for children, youth, and adults. There are three sessions offered each year – Fall, Spring, and Summer. Church members as well as the community are welcome to participate. Contact registrars Jan or Cathy at reach@mdpc.org or 713-490-9564.

Please check the website for class information!



More Important Information

COVID Challenges

These are challenging times for all of us. As we adapt to our new “norm,” we have made some changes that we hope are temporary in nature. These changes include:

- Temperature checks of the teachers and children prior to entry into the school,
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- Parents are not allowed in the school until further notice,
- Temperature checks before naptime,
- No Early Bird for the time being,

- Extended Day until 4:00 only for the time being,
- One class on the playground at a time, and
- If a case of COVID is confirmed in a classroom, the classroom will close for two weeks.

You should have received a Handbook Addendum by email last week. If you did not receive it, or would like a hard copy, just let us know. Please sign the Parent Acknowledgement form so that we know you have received it.

We would love for you to talk to your child and let them know that, while their teachers will be wearing face masks, they will be smiling underneath! We will work on our happy eyes so that the children will know how much we care about them!

The children will not need to wear masks - for children this age, it is tough for them to wear for a short period of time, much less all day.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office!

