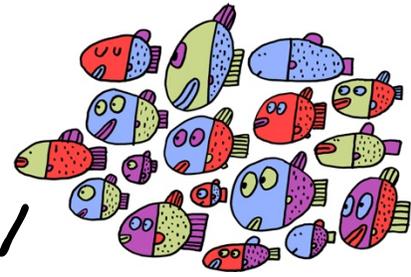


Swim on in to Preschool I



It is my pleasure to welcome you and your child to Preschool I. Please feel free to ask questions and talk to me any time.

For the next six weeks, we will be working on orienting the children to the new classroom, our routine, and rules. The focus will be on knowing the names of the centers, which toys belong in each center and how to have productive play. They will also be encouraged to clean up their activity before moving on to another. Learning when and how to share or wait their turn will be one of their biggest challenges. We will also begin the process of teaching the children how to use words to express their wants, needs and feelings.

For the next few months, another important focus will be potty training. Your child will be asked to sit on the potty, when they arrive at school, (after circle time if they arrive early), before we go outside, before nap, after nap, before afternoon outside time and before they go home. If your child is not potty trained, please send them to school in pull-ups and provide us with a package. We do not have a changing table so it is difficult to put on diapers. Remember your child will be encouraged to pull their pants down and up by themselves, so please dress your child in elastic waist clothing. At your convenience, I would like to talk to you about your potty training plan and philosophy. It is important to me that we are sensitive to your desires.

Until August 9th, every Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon we will have water play. Your child will need to leave a bathing suit, small towel and water shoes at school in order to participate. I wash and dry their towels and bathing suits after each water play session. Please be sure to label these items with your child's name.

I am here every day from 8 to 5. There are two wonderful assistant teachers in this class; Miss Tracy and Miss Maddie. We look forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming year!

Miss Sally