

September Preschool Newsletter 2021

Okolona Christian Preschool

First Day of Preschool!

The "First Day of Preschool" is finally here and this year looks TOTALLY different than it has in the past! Some children will react to it in different ways. Some will jump right out of bed, get dressed and be ready to run into the classroom. Some may be a little more apprehensive. Here are some ideas to make the morning and the first week of school go more smoothly:

1. Make sure your child has had a good night sleep.

2. Lay clothes out the night before so there's no last minute rush or battle! Don't forget your child's mask!

3. Eat a well-balanced breakfast; not one with a lot of sugar!

4. It would be a good idea to **take your child's temperature** before you leave the house just to make sure they're good to go. Make sure they have a mask to wear at preschool.

5. Explain to them that you'll be dropping them off in carline, that a teacher will be there to help them. Remind them that you'll be staying in the car. At drop-off time, you should have your child unbuckled so we can reach them easily.

6. Describe to them the things they'll be doing throughout the morning.

7. Remind them that you'll be there to pick them up at 12:30 and that we'll be able to reach you in case we need you. At pick-up time, <u>an</u> adult from your car will need to be responsible for buckling your preschooler in their car seat. Feel free to **pull forward** to a parking space to buckle.

8. Never approach a school morning with the phrase "Do you want to go to school today?" but rather "You get to go to school today!" Remember, you're setting patterns today that will affect your child's attitude about school for the rest of their life! Be positive! They'll have a great time!



Happy September Birthdays!!

September 13 – Noah Cox September 13 – Tatum Polk September 24 – Mrs. Posey September 27 – Lilly Clay On the first day of school, <u>please prepare a spare change of clothing</u> for your child: a top, bottoms, socks and a change of underwear. <u>Put</u> your child's name on each piece of clothing. and place it in a <u>clear</u> gallon size zip-loc bag that has your child's name clearly on the <u>outside!!</u> Please put it in the bottom of your child's backpack. It will stay there in case we need it. Remember, we'll be bringing our backpacks to school on Tuesdays and sending them home on Thursdays!

Wednesday is **Bible Day** so show your child your Bible, if you have one. Point out their Bible, too. If you don't own a Bible, please text your child's teacher and we'll happily send one home! Thursday is **Circle Day** so talk about one thing from around the house that's in the shape of a circle. It is also **Zero Day** – have your child think about something they could talk about that is a zero – zero real elephants in your house?

"**A**" Week

On Tuesday, September 14th, we'll have our first **"Sharing Time"**. This is when we can share and talk about what we've seen that fits our theme for that day. Find something at home that they can describe or talk about in class that starts with the Letter A. Take a picture of it and send it to your teacher! On Wednesday, be prepared to share about **one** thing that God made – be creative!

"**B**" Week

On Tuesday, September 21st, we'll be having Teddy Bear Day. This day we'll be working on learning how to use scissors. We'll be fringing a paper bear that they will bring home on Thursday. (do not bring a bear in)

We'll have "Sharing Time" about things that start with the Letter B. On Thursday we'll talk about Bugs! Do you have a favorite bug? If you were a bug, which one would you be??

Would you like to be a caterpillar, a spider or a ladybug??



This year, like JCPS, we will have a Fall break during September 28, 29 and 30th.

We will NOT be in session the week of September 28!