

# CIRCLE DRIVE Preschool



September 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to Circle Drive Preschool! Welcome to our new and returning students! It's going to be a great year of learning and growing together ☺ By now you will have received an email with many attachments. We thank you for taking the time to read through all of it!

You and your child will attend once in the first week of school for a  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr. Your child will attend once in the second week of school for 1.5 hrs. Park in the main lot and enter through Door A. The Preschool is straight down the hall. We'll have snack in that second week even though it's a shortened day. That schedule is attached to this email in case you misplaced yours.

We are calling the Monday/Wednesday/Friday morning class Preschool 1 (PS1) and their colour is **Red**. The Monday/Wednesday/Friday afternoon class will be Preschool 2 (PS2) and their colour is **Blue**. The Tuesday/Thursday morning class is Preschool 3 (PS3) and their colour is **Yellow**. The Tuesday/Thursday afternoon class will be Preschool 4 (PS4) and their colour is **Aqua**. Look for these colours on the nametags over the lockers. We will use this colour system for displays on the bulletin boards as well. We'll talk about this at Orientation as well.

Our Teachers this year are Mrs. Bronwen McRae, Mrs. Claudia Araujo and Mrs. Amber Broughton. Staff for each class is as follows:

PS1 - Mrs. McRae and Mrs. Araujo

PS2 - Mrs. McRae and Mrs. Araujo

PS3 - Mrs. Araujo and Mrs. Broughton

PS4 - Mrs. Araujo and Mrs. Broughton

The staff will be signing your child in and out at drop off and pick up. Please let us know if someone from your alternate pick up list will be picking up. We will be tracking absences for health guidelines so please let us know when your child will be away and why by emailing [preschool@cdac.ca](mailto:preschool@cdac.ca) or by calling the Preschool room at 306-373-5445 extension 236.

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These first few weeks will be an adjustment period for everyone. Don't be surprised if your child is extra tired after being at school! If your child happens to struggle at drop off time, here are some tips to help you out:

- Be calm, even if your child is emotional.
- Help your child put their things away in their locker and put on their shoes.
- Bring them to the classroom door which will open at 9:00 and 12:45.
- Be positive. Tell them that you love them/you'll be back very soon/have a great day!
- Give them a hug and leave them with the teacher.

If your child doesn't settle, we'll give you a call and suggest an earlier pick up time if needed. At pick-up time, we invite parents to wait outside the classroom/courtyard. For safety reasons, we will be dismissing the boys and girls to their caregivers one by one.

Our first theme for September is "All About Me". We will learn each other's names and a handwashing song. We'll talk about how to stay healthy. We'd also like each child to bring a family photo that can be left at school. The children feel comforted by having a family photo in the classroom and love talking about their families with their classmates.

We'll focus on one colour per month and have a day each month when we all wear that colour. We'll wear **orange** on September 29th and 30th. Please know that the wearing of specific colours is totally optional.

We will focus on one letter of the alphabet each week (starting in October) through letter items in the classroom, alphabet songs, and discussions. These conversations will promote confidence and literacy skills!

Please see the calendar below for September details! Like us on **Facebook** too...where you'll find lots of great pictures, anecdotes and information about our daily activities.

We're looking forward to a great year! Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions.

Bronwen McRae      Claudia Araujo      Amber Broughton

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SEPTEMBER 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
29	30	31 Orientation Week See schedule	1	2	3 Preschool Open	4
5	6 Labor Day No Preschool	7 Staggered Start Week See schedule	8	9	10 Preschool Open	11
12 Kick off Sunday* 12pm-2pm Hope to see you there!	13	14	15	16	17 Preschool Closed	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Preschool Open	25
26	27	28	29 Wear something Orange today!	30 Wear something Orange today!	1 Preschool Open	2

### Ways to Connect:

- Please join us for our annual Kick Off Sunday event on September 12<sup>th</sup> with our service at 10:30am and a carnival at 12pm. There will be inflatables for the kids, a carnival, food trucks, a petting zoo and a car show! What a great way to kick off the year!!
- Check our Circle's website to find out about our services, children's programming and many more opportunities! <https://cdac.ca/>