



Summer 2024

Dear Families,

Hello and welcome to kindergarten! My name is Michaela Reilly and I am thrilled to be your child's kindergarten teacher. Kindergarten is filled with many wonderful and exciting things that I cannot wait to share with you.

Our classroom will be a magical place where great learning opportunities happen each and every day. There are so many projects to make, books to read, toys to play with and friends to make. I will meet you all at **Meet and Greet on Tuesday, September 3rd at 2:30**. Please be sure to bring your excitement, curiosity and smile on your first day of school - **Wednesday, September 4, 2024**.

Please send in a snack and water bottle for your child each day. You have the option to bring lunch from home or purchase a school lunch. Please pack a snack and lunch on the first day, (clearly labeled in two separate bags) - this helps build independence. I would appreciate your help in supplying the following items to help me become acquainted with your daughter/son:

Photographs – family, friends, and individual pictures that can be used for class projects and to decorate cubbies. Please send ones you can part with as I will keep them. Be sure to write your child's name on the back.

Letter – please write to me describing your child. Please put the letter in a sealed envelope so I can keep it confidential. Include anything that you feel is important for me to know (fears, strengths, etc). If there is something I need to see immediately, write "OPEN NOW" on the envelope.

Item to Share – please send your child with an item that he/she can use during our share time. It can be a shell from a beach, a ticket from a movie, a medal from soccer, a picture from a vacation, etc. Be sure first and last names are on the item.

Each child also needs the following:

- 1 change of clothes in a large Ziploc Bag (please, make sure all articles of clothing and the bag are labeled with your child's name).
- Your child will also need 1 medium size **backpack** (no wheels) to be used for coming to and from school. **Please make sure the backpack is large enough to fit a regular size folder and a lunch box.**

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

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Michaela Reilly

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*Below is a list of school supplies. If you pre-ordered through "1st Day Supplies/Target" then you do not need to purchase the items below. If you did **NOT** order through "1st Day Supplies/Target" please use the list below. Please clearly label all of the following items with your child's first and last name:*

- 1 hard plastic pencil box to store supplies in school (suggested size, 8" x 5", no larger than 9" x 6")
- 1 box of thick and 1 box of thin Crayola washable markers (not scented please, 10 count)
- 1 box of long Crayola colored pencils, sharpened and 1 box of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 multi-pack each of small and large glue sticks and 1 bottle of Elmer's school glue
- 1 5" safety scissor, blunt (Fiskars brand, if possible)
- 1 box of pre-sharpened #2 pencils with erasers (12 count, Ticonderoga if possible)
- 6-12 low-odor, thin, black dry erase markers (Expo brand)
- 8 black felt-tipped pens (PaperMate Flair, if possible)
- 2 plastic (not plastic coated) folders with inside bottom pockets
- 2 plastic pocket folders with 3-hole fasteners inside, one blue and one red
- 1 Primary Journal Creative Story Tablet (Mead brand, K - 2, picture space on top/primary lines below)
- 1 on/over the ear adjustable band headphones (no earbuds, please; remove from packaging and label and place in a labeled Ziploc bag)
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 package of baby wipes

These are a few additional items that would be very helpful as well:

- ★ 6 Avery Glue Sticks (1.27 oz)
- ★ 1 Plastic Shoe Box for locker storage
- ★ 2 Boxes of Ziploc Storage Bags Gallon Size
- ★ 2 Boxes of Ziploc Storage Bags Quart Size
- ★ 2 Rolls of Paper Towels

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