WELCOME TO ROOM 1013!





Dear Room 1013 Family,

Welcome to Room 1013! My name is Kristin Crutcher (Ms Kristin) and I will be your child's teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. I am so honored to have the opportunity to get to know and teach your child. I look forward to using the Montessori curriculum to build a peaceful and joyous community of learners that fosters independence, concentration, coordination, order, as well as creativity and academic success. I can't wait to begin this new and exciting journey with your child!

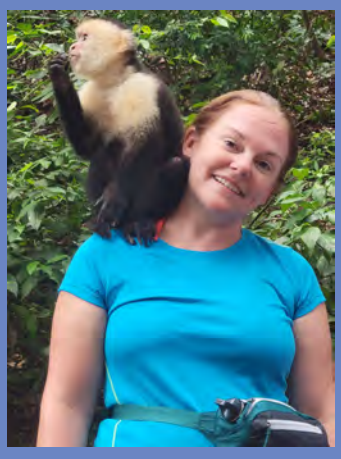
This is my fifth year at Sands as a full time teacher. Previously I taught in a 3-6 classroom at Pleasant Ridge Montessori and then did substitute teaching at Sands after having my four children. Sands is very dear to my heart. My mom taught here for 29 years and watching her teach inspired me to pursue teaching after I graduated from UC's College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning with a Bachelor's of Science in graphic design. I worked at Sands as a paraprofessional in a 3-6 classroom for three years while I worked on my master's degree in Montessori education at Xavier. I also completed my Montessori internship at Sands. All of my four children attended (or still attend) Sands. In addition to teaching, I enjoy photography, reading, jewelry making, baking, board games, dancing, designing educational materials, creative projects, glass bead and marble making, playing with my 2 cats and dog, and most importantly, spending time with my family.

I look forward to meeting you and your child! We will have an Open House on August 13th from 4:00-5:30 where you and your child can meet us, see the classoom, and drop off supplies. Please email me at crutchek@cpsboe.k12.oh.us with any questions.

Warm Regards,
Kristin Crutcher (Ms Kristin)

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Ms Betsie is the paraprofessional in our room. I really enjoy working with her! She wrote a message to introduce herself as well:

Hello, my name is Betsie Cowan. This is my fourth year of being a paraprofessional! I am a former 6th grade teacher, substitute teacher, and caregiver. At home, I love to read, plant for pollinators in my yard, watch Netflix, and spend time with my family. My husband Ken is in commercial lighting sales, and we have three kids. Ellie, Stu, and Lettie all attend or attended Sands. They are going into 9th, 7th, and 5th grades. Together we enjoy traveling, going for walks and hikes, watching baking shows, and playing board games. We also play with our two cats, Maxine and Vivian. I look forward to meeting all of you, and supporting the kids as they learn and grow this year.