



Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome our new families and welcome back all the families who were with us last year.

Enclosed you will find several forms and various information sheets. Please return the Health, Confidential forms and the walking permission slip to school by August 20th. It is a Board of Health requirement that a child's Health Form be sent to the school before opening day. Please note that this is a more comprehensive health form with additional items (lead poisoning) that your pediatrician must check. Also, the Child Development Profile helps your child's teacher acquire important information about your child before the first day of school.

It is very important that all parents, both new and returning, read the enclosed Parent Handbook thoroughly! It is also suggested that you encourage your caregiver(s) to read the handbook. It is full of important information and, as always, several additions and/or changes have been made this year. We hope it will answer any questions you might have.

New ECLC families ("returning" families welcome) should make every effort to attend our evening Separation Workshop on Thursday, September 16th (6:00-7:00 p.m.). This workshop will focus on the important topic of separation and will include ways to help your child feel good in school without you.

Our teachers will be meeting with you and your child for a half-hour visit at school sometime between September 8th and September 17th (later dates for Groups I & II). This will be an opportunity for your child to become familiar with his/her teachers and the classroom on an individual basis before school actually begins (see Parent Handbook under School Visits for further explanation.)

School will open on Monday, September 20th for Groups III, IV, and V. There will be small groups and short sessions for the first few days of school. Children in Groups IV and V will begin full days on Monday September 27th and children in Group III will begin full days on Tuesday, September 28th and extended days on Tuesday, October 5th. Our two year olds begin on Tuesday, September 28th (younger two's) and Monday September 27th (older two's). You will receive a letter about the phase-in procedure before school opens.

We look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Sincerely,

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