

# PARENTS COOPERATIVE PRESCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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# EQUAL PARTNERS CHILDREN

### **CLASSROOM NEWS**

**DIRECTORS CORNER** 

I wanted to take a moment to thank all of the families here at PCP, new and returning, for making me feel so welcome. I am excited to be the new director here and promise to always do what is best for the children and the school.

As school gets underway, I will be here to answer questions and help everyone get into their new routine. Please don't be afraid to stop by my desk, call or email any time.

During the first week I will be getting all of the files in order. I will notify your family if there is anything I am missing. I know it feels like a lot of paperwork, but in order to run the best school possible for your child, we need to stay in compliance with State regulations. Thank you for your quick response to any missing paperwork. I appreciate your help on this.

Do not forget that in order to be a helper in your child's classroom, you must have taken the Shaken Baby Training and completed the Orientation. There will be a training day on **Thursday, September 5**<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am.

Thanks to everyone who brought in supplies, we have a fully stocked store room! If you have not brought yours yet, please hold off until later in the year. We greatly appreciate all of the supplies to get us started with school.

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The first day of school, or even the first month, can be tough for some children. While they are excited for this new event in their life, the jitters can take over. Think about how you feel when you start a new job. Here are some ways to help ease the first day transition:

If your child is upset at drop off time, acknowledge their fear by saying something like, "I know are feeling scared to be without me." Then show your child the daily schedule in the room. Tell them you will pick them up after the last event of the day. This is much easier for them to understand than time of day.

If your child does have a teary goodbye, try not to mention it again after school. Rather than saying, "did you cry for a long time after mommy left?", you could say, "tell me one fun thing you did today."

Keep in mind that all of our teachers and staff at PCP have been teaching for many years. This means we have all experienced a lot of first day jitters. In fact, even the teachers still get a touch of them! The children look to you during changes such as this. If you are confident and excited, they will be too. We can't wait to start our year off at PCP. Happy first day!



# **OUR FAVORITE BOOKS THIS WEEK:**

<u>Fancy Nancy: JoJo's First Day Jitters</u> by Jane O'Connor

The Night Before Preschool by Natasha Wing

First Day Jitters by Julie Danneberg

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

One important way you can keep germs from spreading and keep our kids healthy is by taking your child in for a bathroom break and to wash their hands BEFORE they enter the classroom. Try to come a minute or two early and make that bathroom spot a routine part of your drop off schedule.

# **Upcoming Dates:**

September 3-5, first week of school

September 5, SBS and Orientation training 8:15am

September 10, 1st PTO meeting 8:15am

September 25-26, picture day

# **Birthdays**:

9/2 Ava K.

9/3 James T.

9/4 Nevaeh B.

9/8 Maxwell N.

9/12 Kaylee S.

9/15 Felicity K. and Talon Z.

9/16 Addison P.

9/23 Sullivan B.

9/24 Blake N. and Zoe S.

9/25 Ava P.

9/29 Aubrey K.

Happy Birthday from your family at PCP!

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Please join us in welcoming our newest teacher, Mrs. Becker. She comes to us from the Cambridge School District. Mrs. Becker will be our 4K Aide for both of our 4K rooms. Her daughter, Navaeh, will be right down the hall in the 2-year-old room. We are so thankful to have her. She will be joining our PCP staff on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Please welcome her as you see her during the second week of school!





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