

## **Kindergarten Plans for Reopening 2020**

Welcome to kindergarten,

We are thrilled to continue offering in person instruction this year. What a blessing it is to have a large facility to accommodate our students in a safe manner. We are committed to keeping our class sizes small to insure the best and safest academic experience possible. Please take the time to review this document as there are many new changes that we would like to share with you regarding this upcoming school year.

### **What Is New This Year?**

- Kindergarten Orientation will be held online in order to keep our families and staff safe. Please watch for an email from your kindergarten teacher with instructions. There will be a video link from the Kindergarten Enrichment Program (KEP). This will answer many of your questions about the program as well as provide information about newly implemented safety changes.
- We will no longer be offering any food due to the CDC guidelines. This will mean that all lunches and snacks must be provided from home. Students will no longer be eating their lunches in a community lunchroom; instead, each student will be eating in a classroom.

### **ELearning Information**

- Due to Covid-19 we have decided to add an eLearning component to our current curriculum. This is only available to our on campus enrolled students as a convenience. This is not a separate class option; this is intended to aid your child with their learning in the event that he or she is absent either by choice or by illness. Our teachers will be recording math, phonics and Bible instruction, and they will be making their recordings available via the internet to the parent of each absent student. By offering this option, it is our hope that absent students will be able to rejoin their classroom with as little academic interruption as possible. This will be explained in more detail by your teacher during your orientation.

### **Additional Safety Precautions**

- Only one parent will be allowed to enter the school with each student. We are strongly encouraging the use of masks for both parents and students during pick up and drop off. Please also remember that each student must have their own mask available in their locker at all times.
- Prior to entering the classroom, each student will have their temperature taken using an infrared, touchless thermometer. Temperatures will be recorded daily; if your child has a

temperature of 100.0 or over, he or she will be sent home and they will be required to stay home for 72 hours.

- Free standing hand sanitizer stations will be provided at both kindergarten entrances.
- Prior to entering the classroom, all students will be required to sanitize their hands.
- Our maintenance staff will be deep cleaning each room daily. They will also be fogging each classroom with a Betco Quat-stat 5 disinfectant/virucidal.
- We will be implementing best practices by not combining classes for lunch, gym, and recess.
- We will also be covering the water fountain. Children will only be allowed to refill their water bottles using the filtration system.
- There will be a bathroom schedule for each classroom to ensure that the hallways are not congested.
- Each child will have their own desk, locker, and their own supply box.
- In between AM and PM Kindergarten, each desk and chair will be sanitized. This procedure affects the KEP room as well; all tables, seats, and toys will be sanitized before and after students from each class arrive.

We are looking forward to seeing you this fall.

In Christ,

The Kindergarten Team