

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR!

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Welcome to our new and returning families. Please help us welcome 74 new families to our school! This is going to be a great year with many exciting happenings. Read on to find out some of the things we have in store for you.

A WONDERFUL START!

We hope you all are happy with your choice of school and that the new school jitters are lessening with each new day at school. We really love having your children with us and are excited for a great year ahead.

“OPEN DOOR” POLICY

Mrs. Schroeder and Mrs. Yarger share Director duties. Mrs. Schroeder is the Director of Curriculum while Mrs. Yarger is the Director of Admissions/Operations. PLEASE feel free to visit either of us at any time. We would love to chat with you and learn about your family and also to address any concerns or ideas you may have to make our school better.

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS

We would love to mention your business in our Newsletter if you think your fellow families would be interested. We love to promote and support our own! Any business is welcome. Mrs. Merrill sells Mary Kay, just as an example.



FATHER's “FRIDAY”! Oct. 1 “OLYMPICS”

We have lots of fun activities planned for Dad (or special Male Friend) and the kids on Friday October 1 here at school. More information will be coming soon.

LUNCH BUNCH

We are pleased to welcome all of our Lunch Bunch friends this year! In Lunch Bunch we start at 11:15. We eat our lunches with our friends and discuss our mornings. Each month will bring a new theme for exploration. We will read literature, explore the gardens, and create art projects. While weather allows, we will also play outdoor games and enjoy the playgrounds. Please remember that the pick up time for Lunch Bunch this year is 12:45. We have a no peanut & treenut policy. This means no peanut butter, almond butter, Nutella, etc. Sun butter (made of sunflower seeds) is acceptable. ***If you send sunbutter, it is helpful to write on the bag so that we can identify the difference.*** We look forward to a good year! Please contact Stacey to check on availability for the days you are interested. There is a limit of 12 students per day.

Dates to Remember:

- SEPT 6: Labor Day, no school
- SEPT 7: Lunch Bunch starts, Soccer Shots starts, must be registered.
- Sept. 9 Dance Class Starts
- Sept. 14 and 15: Color of the day, Wear RED
- Sept. 23 and 24 Spirit Days. Wear Green or a First School shirt
- Sept. 27–October 1: Photo Week
- Oct. 1 Father's Friday, more info coming

Thank you to everyone who placed a SPIRIT WEAR order! The orders will be placed on 9/3 and should be arriving within the next few weeks. We will have our first Spirit Wear days on Sept. 23 and 24 and hopefully the orders will be in. Wear Green if you don't have logo wear.

WE COLLECT BOX-TOPS! Please download the BoxTops Ap and follow instructions. Thanks! More soon...

PICK UP AND DROP OFF - You are doing really well.

Please review the following safety procedures:

1. At Pick Up please hold your car tag up until the teacher is putting your child in the car. This is not done to frustrate you – it is for your child's safety and your convenience.
2. If you do not have your car tag you will need to provide your driver's license.
3. Pick up times are 11:10 for morning, 12:45 for Lunch bunch, and 2:15 for afternoon.
4. Once your child is in your car, please pull up as far as you can next to the pond to assist them in buckling.
5. At PICK UP time in the MORNING please use BOTH LANES. Thanks! In the AFTERNOON please use the closest lane to school only.
6. At DROP OFF, please do not get out of your car if you are in line. The teacher will open the car door and get your child out. ***But please unlatch your child seat latch before this. It really helps with the traffic flow. Thanks.***

SCHOOL PICTURES

Kerin Campbell, of Campbell Photography will once again take photographs of your children. Weather permitting, she'll take outdoor photos.

The dates for Fall Photos are September 27–Oct 1. You will receive an order form soon detailing

How Our World Has Changed due to Covid 19!

Dear Parents: We hope you are as happy as we are that we are all able to be back in our school building enjoying each other's company. As stated previously, we will re-evaluate our current policy on Wednesday September 15 and make any necessary changes. Thanks for your patience and understanding as we incorporate the changes. We know the car line is taking longer than usual as we must take temperatures, but we feel that it will get faster each week. We are sure you have noticed that on MWF morning we are opening the doors at 8:35 to help with traffic on McEwen.

The children are adapting really well to school and we are very impressed with them. They are so flexible and kind. We will manage this pandemic together, won't we?

Please inform your friends that we still have spaces for new children and would wel-

NEW STAFF MEMBERS!

Please welcome two new staff members to the First School team! Mrs. Megan Lucente (mom of Lucy) is our new teacher's aide for MWF. She also is doing the car line and helping out in the Fun Room periodically.

Mrs. Megan Shoup (mom of Finn) is our new Fun Room teacher! She will meet with your child's class for 15 minutes each day to work on hand/eye coordination and large and fine motor skills. Mrs. Shoup is also helping with the car line.

THANK YOU to both Megans for helping us out. You are bringing a wealth of experience and a happy new youthful vibe to our school. :)

WELCOME!!!!

FACEBOOK

Be sure to like us on Facebook. We can be found at FirstSchoolDayton. We try to post fun photos to let you see what is going on at school as well as post reminders about upcoming events. A big THANK YOU to Mrs. Jen Lubbers for being the Admin and Social Media Director this year!

MONTHLY EXPLORERS CLUB

We will start up our official Explorer's club in October and will go through April. Next up: Martial Arts in October! Info coming.

TUITION INFO and Notes from The Office:

Tuition is paid in 9 equal installments. The first installment was billed and paid in August. The next installment will be billed around September 15 and payment will be due on the 30th. The rest of the installments will follow from October through April with billing on the 15th and payment due by the last day of the month. Payment can be in cash or check. NEW: I will be sending the statements home in your child's bag from now on. Saving on stamps\$.

EMAILS: I send emails to you periodically and need to be updated if you have not received anything from me yet....I have sent a number of them out this year and am hoping you are receiving them. I send them from info@firstschooldayton.com or Stacey@firstschooldayton.com. I send to one member in the family. Please let me know if you'd like to add more email addresses for your family.