

North Shore Nursery School

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Welcome Back!!! From the President:

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to North Shore Nursery School. I hope that you all had an enjoyable summer with your families. Although it saddens me to see the long, light-filled days come to an end; I look forward to the sense of renewal that comes along with September. Like January, September is a time for new starts. At home, I'm thinking earlier bedtimes, stricter screen-time rules, and less sugar. And at my four-year-old daughter's second home, North Shore Nursery School, this dedication to positive change abounds as well. Here, we have new classroom space, new teachers, new planned events (our first Fall Festival!), and, most importantly, new families—soon to be new friends.

Wishing you a happy, healthy school year,
Shannon Fox

Dates to Remember

September 24th
Fall Festival

September 30th
Prestige Catalog Orders Due

October -TBA
Membership Meeting

October 3rd & 4th
Rosh Hashanah-no classes

October 10th
Columbus Day-no classes

October 12th
Yom Kippur-no classes

November 1st
Picture Day

November 8th
Election Day-no classes

November 11th
Veteran's Day-no classes

Membership News

We are working on scheduling our first membership meeting of the year. As soon as the date has been decided, we will let you know. All families are welcome to attend membership meetings.

We do have a few spaces left in our Pre-K class if you know of anyone who is looking for a school. However we do have a waitlist for both our 2s and 3s classes.

NSNS Fall Festival Sat. Sept 24th 9:30-12:00. Please join us to kick-off the school year and the fall season!!



Playground and Building Update

As the children enjoy the beautiful weather on the playground, the teachers have been working on the indoors. Many new items have been purchased, such as a mobile magnetic white board, new play kitchen pieces, water/sand tables, rugs and chairs.

In addition, we have acquired a new block room. It is located on the lower level and will be filled with all types of blocks and building toys to inspire creativity in all the children. The block room will be visited by small groups of children and the teachers have completed a development workshop on the value of blocks and how to plan activities that will engage the children on many levels and curriculum areas.

We look forward to using this new space!

Save The Date!

Ladies Night Out

Thursday,
December 1st

More information
will be coming in
the next few
weeks!

Reminders

In order to ensure a smooth beginning to the school year, we do ask you to keep a few things in mind:

*Please make sure your child has their tote bag each day (only NSNS tote bags should be brought to school, all other back packs should stay home).

*Please have your child use the bathroom just before coming to school; arrival is a very busy and hectic time, so this would be a great help!

*Please have your child eat breakfast *BEFORE* they come to school. Little minds work best if their bellies are satisfied. Keep in mind that no food may be brought into school other than snack! Breakfast must be finished before entering school. All foods brought into the building must be checked by a teacher for allergens.

*Please keep children's cups and water bottles at home. We always have water available to them and it is difficult to keep track of so many different containers.

*No toys should be brought into school, if a comfort item is needed, it may come in their tote bag and used as necessary.

Thank you for adhering to our guidelines that allow us to better focus teaching and nurturing each individual child.

Health & Safety

- *Please be sure to check all labels prior to sending in snack.
All snacks must be nut & tree nut free!
- *All health/dental forms must be submitted as soon as possible.
- *All emergency cards should have already been handed in.

Separation

Separating is a different experience for all children, even those within the same family.

Separation issues may also occur at any time throughout the school year, even for those who have separated “fine” at the beginning. Each child will be unique in the way in which they finally walk into their classroom on their own. Please be patient, but it is extremely important to stay positive. Encourage your child to join in the activities in the class and ensure them that you will always come back.

It is normal to be nervous as you send your little one out into the world. But remember, you are giving your child a gift by teaching independence. Starting school is an exciting time, but drop-off can be hectic and overwhelming. Please don't tell your child, “I'll miss you” or offer any suggestions that they will miss you. If your child is not crying, please say a quick good-bye and make your exit, prolonged good-byes are not in the best interest of your child.

The teachers will work with you and your child to separate in the best manner for your child. Your child is in excellent hands with teachers who will ensure that your child has a warm and loving experience during these first few years.

“The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.”

Robert M. Hutchins

