

Welcome to the Younger and Older Toddler Room

We are excited about the new school year and can't wait to meet our new students. It is great to have you and your precious little ones as part of our SWDS family. We know that as the year progresses you will have many questions, but we hope that this letter will help answer some of your basic questions now.

Every morning when you come in the toddler room there will be a chart with your child's name on it. We ask that you fill out the information. This informs us on your child's previous night and the start of their morning so far. You may also leave us any notes or messages that may help us with your child for that day. (Example: Johnny has been a little unhappy this morning. He didn't have a good night.)

Each child will have a cubby in our room with his/her name on it. We will ask that you keep it supplied with diapers (at least 1 for every hour your child is here or just a pack of diapers will do). We change diapers every 2 hours and in between as needed. We also ask that you bring a box of wipes and diaper cream for your child's cubby. Diaper Cream must be signed in one of the forms provided by the office in the parent handbook.

Please pack your diaper bag with the following: extra diapers, 2-3 changes of clothes. Yes...between food, outside play, crafts, and diaper blowouts, extra clothes are always helpful. You may also bring anything that will help your child: pacifiers if needed (please if possible put your child's pacifier in a Ziploc bag with their name on it) or anything that may help them go to sleep like a lovie, blanket or special stuffed animal. We ask that you bring a blanket from home that your child may like; this may help them feel safe. Your child's blanket will be sent home everyday. If your child has a mat cover we ask that you please put it on your child's mat the first day of your child's week. We will remove it on their last day for you to take home and wash. Please be sure to bring it back the following week.

Any medication that you bring has to be signed in EVERYDAY or we cannot give it to your child. This includes ear drops, Tylenol, sun screen, bug spray or any other medication in which your child may need. The sign in for medications is in the kitchen on the counter to the left as you walk through the door.

We ask that you not bring toys from home for your children. We have tons of toys here for the children to play with and we do not want your personal toys to be lost or broken. Even though they are very cute, please don't dress your child in really good clothes. We use diluted bleach for cleaning and accidental bleach spots have been known to get on clothes and bleach them. We also want them to be comfortable. We ask that you please send your child in tennis shoes. They do better keeping the tennis shoes on and it's the best way to be safe out on the playground.

Please do not forget to label everything that belongs to your child. (Example: backpacks, clothes, pacifiers, sippy cups, lovies, blankets.) This is the easiest way for us to make sure everything gets returned to the correct backpack to go home.

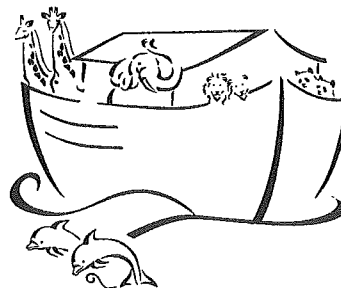
Let's talk about snacks and food

We have snacks that we provide for our children such as cheerios, gold fish, animal crackers and cookies. If you would like to bring your own snack please feel free to do so. We ask that if you choose to send you own snack please write it down on the daily sheet. Any food that needs to be cold must be kept cold with icepacks in their lunch box or in the kitchen fridge (it needs to be labeled with your child's name).

We understand that every child and parent is different. We will try our best to work with anyone to make things easier on you and your child. Please feel free to get with us anytime you have any questions or concerns. We are always open for questions, suggestions or ideas you may have.

We hope that we have answered any initial questions you may have had.....but please feel free to contact us at anytime.

M. Carolina & Mrs. Cindy



Child's Name _____
Child's Date of Birth _____

Date _____
Age _____

Getting to know your child

We ask that you please complete the questions below so that we can get to know your child better.

What is a typical day like for your child? _____

Does your child enjoy going on walks and going outside? _____

What is your child's favorite playtime activity? _____

Is this the first time your child has been with a different caregiver or daycare other than yourself? _____

Has your child interacted with others? _____

Who is allowed to pick up your child? (List names please) _____

What is the best way to reach you during the day? _____

Is your child allergic to anything? _____

Is your child on any daily medications? _____

Does your child have a pacie? If yes, when is it used (anytime or naps only)? _____

How do you get your child to sleep? _____

How often does your child nap and for how long? _____

What is the best way to sooth your child? _____

How does your child react to having their diaper changed? _____

How does your child act to strangers? _____

Is there anything your child is afraid of? _____

Is there anything that your child is especially fond of that would help our day go smooth? _____

Is there a favorite book or song that you child likes? _____

Is there anything we should know about your child? _____