



Early Childhood Center of Wilmette

BABY & TOT / PRESCHOOL / KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT / AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION / SUMMER CAMPS

October 2019

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Preschool Mixed Ages • Room 121 benjaminingles@wilpark.org

I am very excited to be your child's preschool teacher this year. Getting to know you and your children has been a joy for me. I have been a lead teacher for ten years in a mixed age group. I am looking forward to a wonderful school year. Ms. Lori and I have so many fun learning activities as well as craft projects to create with your child. We begin our morning with circle, or line time where children and I gather on the rug as they learn beginning reading and math skills. As the year progresses, and according to child readiness, I will build on these fundamental skills. Just as importantly, we have been working on Grace and Courtesy in and out of the classroom. I am working on politeness, good manners and how to be a good friend, as well as classroom rules. Just last Thursday, a parent on the playground told me how polite one of my children was to her!

Since children and I love music and movement it will be another enjoyable activity of classroom time. I feel lucky that we have a mixed age group as each of them will learn and grow from this varied age class. Younger children learn from their older role models, just as the older children help guide younger friends. All children need to move around and all seem to enjoy this time. Some of the things we will be doing are yoga, dancing and various types of large motor activities and, of course, we will go outside, weather permitting.

REMINDERS:

- Bring warm coats, hats, mittens, snow pants, boots, and sweatshirt or sweater, as the weather gets cold.
- Label all outside and inside clothes best you are able.
- Have a water bottle with your child's name. Take home on Friday to clean and bring back on Monday.
- Remember to sign your child in and out every day.
- Check the snack calendar to see when it's your turn to bring in healthy snacks and juice.
- A big thank you to all the parents who brought in such great and healthy snacks, as children are enjoying them

Halloween Party October 31st: Costumes may be worn to the classroom that day. Please bring enough treats for 15 children with your child's name on the box or bag. Parents may stay for Halloween songs and we will continue with a parade around the CRC.

NO PRESCHOOL ON:

- Rosh Hashanah, September 30th
- Yom Kippor, October 9th
- Columbus Day, October 14th

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS:

- Tiger Sander, September 2
- Charlie Droogan, September 5
- Devlin Demirovski, September 28
- Mae Firestine October 24

Please let us know if any questions or concerns arise during the year.
We are looking forward to a great year with your child! Thank you for your cooperation.

