



# PRESCHOOL NEWS



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Welcome to our 2019-2020 Preschool year! We are glad to see returning families to our program and we are looking forward to becoming acquainted with our new families.

The purpose of our monthly newsletter is to share general Preschool news with you. You can also keep informed of Preschool events by checking the calendar at the entrance of the building, the classroom bulletin boards, or by asking the staff. If you prefer, you can email any of the teachers at [stoothaker@brunswickme.org](mailto:stoothaker@brunswickme.org). Your child's successful Preschool experience requires an ongoing effort on your part and ours to keep the lines of communication open. Preschool Director, Susan Toothaker, will be available daily after Preschool until 1:00 pm to answer any questions or welcome comments and suggestions.

***A reminder to returning families*** – please submit a copy of your child's **updated** immunization records if you have not done so already.

***A reminder to new families***-- please **make sure** to get your immunization records and birth certificate in this month if you have not already submitted them.



## ARRIVAL / PICK UP

We realize that everyone is eager for the morning to begin. We ask that Preschool families not enter the building before 8:50 a.m. Please use the time before school for your child to use the bathroom before the start of their day. The doors to the classrooms will remain closed

until 9:00 a.m. Please wait in the hallway until the teachers open the doors to signal that they're ready. Thank you for your cooperation.

## PLAY TIME

Children learn through their play. Even though wearing smocks is a prerequisite to messy play, misplaced paintbrushes, finger paint, watercolors, etc. are common occurrences so we ask that your child wear suitable clothes for such activities. Dressing your child in layers allows for play in all kinds of temperatures.

On bad weather days, we use the gym. Your child needs soft-soled shoes or sneakers to play on the gym floor.



## SHOW AND TELL

Show and Tell serves several purposes. It encourages a child to speak in front of a group as well as to learn to be an active listener. It can draw the class together as they learn more about each other. Most children enjoy choosing their own Show & Tell. However, we ask that you help them to avoid bringing potentially dangerous items. Toy guns and toy knives are not allowed for Show & Tell. It is not necessary to bring an item every time. We are happy to have children share by telling us about a visit to see a relative, making something special at home, or about a trip to the dentist. Please check with your child's teacher about Show and Tell days.





### PEANUT/FOOD ALLERGIES

Our school is a designated nut-free environment. *We are taking steps to ensure the safety of children with food allergies.* **We do not accept snacks from home.** If you have any questions regarding this or any other dietary concerns, please see one of the teachers. Thank you in advance for your help to make your child's classroom safe for everyone.

### BOOK ORDERS

We send Firefly book order notices home once a month. All books ordered will be sent to the school. After the master order is sent, it takes 2-3 weeks for the shipment to arrive. You are under no obligation to buy. The quality of the books varies. They do offer many of the books we use in our classrooms throughout the year. The Preschool receives no money from these orders. We do get other benefits such as free books and an accumulation of bonus points that we can use to make larger purchases. If you do decide to place an order, please make checks payable to the "*Town of Brunswick*" or you may pay cash. Do not make checks payable to the book company. Please place your child's order form and payment in an envelope and give to your child's teacher. You may also order directly online.

Our classroom activation code is: **GMFKT**. Information for ordering online will be sent home with your child's first book order.

***Book Orders Due***  
**Monday, September 16**  
**Tuesday September 17**

### STAY UP-TO-DATE

You can view the monthly newsletter and receive information on our program. To get to our site go to:

[www.brunswickme.org/departments/parks-recreation/preschool-2/](http://www.brunswickme.org/departments/parks-recreation/preschool-2/)

You can still email us at:  
[stoothaker@brunswickme.org](mailto:stoothaker@brunswickme.org).



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#### Preschool Needs

4 oz. Baby food jars  
Large plain paper bags  
Ballerina slippers  
Large ear headphones (3"-4"),  
may be non-working  
children's socks

