

CLOTHING

Please write your child's name on all clothing. The tag inside coats, jacket, and sweaters is a great place to print your child's name. During the year we have many lost items, and names really help when trying to find the right owner.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD KNOWS HOW TO ZIP AND BUTTON ALL CLOTHING. We will never get outside if we have to zip 22 coats before recess!

PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILD LEARN TO TIE HIS/HER SHOES.

LUNCH

The children will eat lunch every day in the cafeteria. They may bring their own lunch or they may purchase a lunch. We would highly suggest that you deposit money in your child's account in the cafeteria (you can now do this online). You may also send a check with your child for us to send to the cafeteria to be deposited in your child's account. It is hard for the children to manage their lunch trays and their money at the same time. It also slows down the line when children have to fumble with cash as well as punch in their lunch numbers. It will save your time and ours if you keep money in your child's account. Each child will be issued a computer number. This number needs to be memorized. Please work with your child until s/he knows the number. Also, please put the number on any check you send to deposit in the account.

We work hard to help the children make good choices at lunch. This is the time to help them learn good nutritional habits. Kindergarten students do not purchase desserts or snack items when they go through the lunch line. We have found that if they do, that is all they eat. Lunchtime is short, and the children do well to eat their meal—they really do not have time to eat the sweets or snack items. Please take into consideration that if you give your child money for cookies or ask that we allow the child to buy cookies, etc., this causes a problem with the rest of the children. They do not understand if one child is allowed to do something we have asked them not to do. We also do not allow the children to buy Gatorade or other drinks—we encourage them to drink milk. If your child has a milk allergy, please let us know right away. The cafeteria can substitute apple juice for milk. There is also bottled water for sale in the lunch line. We want our children to learn to like nutritious food and develop good eating habits. We really appreciate your support in this area.

ROOM PARENTS

Each classroom will need one room parent and several assistant room parents. These parents will work with the classroom teachers to plan and host the parties we have during the year and to help with our field trip. The room parent will need to be able to be present at each party. You will be receiving a note with more information. The room parents will need to be approved volunteers. Make sure you have filled out the volunteer application as soon as possible.