Long Branch Preschool Program Back to School Night



2023-2024



Welcome to Ms. Gilday's Class



Long Branch Public Schools
Preschool Program

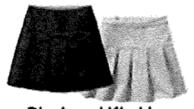
Being Prepared for School





Uniform and Closed toe shoe are the safest for school, we have a very active day!





Black and Khaki



Extra set of clothes (if you didn't send them in already)



Label all items with your child's name.

Meals & Snacks

/lunch

Breakfast/Lunch menus are sent home monthly.

Bring

Please bring a small snack, one drink and one small snack, (10 mins).

Alert

Alert the nurse as to any allergies your child may have



What to Wear





Sneakers or closed toe shoes







Weather appropriate clothing



Blankets will be sent home every two weeks. Please wash and return to school.

Health & Wellness

PK3 and PK4 students are required to get a flu vaccine by 12/31/2023. Please send written proof of flu vaccine to Nurse.

Dr's note for "Return to School" is required when student are absent due to illness for 3 days or more.

Please call Nurse's office when your child goes to the Emergency Room, is hospitalized and/or scheduled for a surgical procedure.

Please call the Nurse's office when your child tests positive for influenza, Covid-19 and/or RSV.

NJ Department of Health requires students and staff to quarantine for 5 days at home after testing positive for Covid-19. If symptoms are improving and fever-free, may return to school wearing a "high quality mask" for days 6-10. If a student is unable to wear a mask at all times, other than eating, they will need to quarantine at home for 10 days.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with me. I will be in my office for Back to School Night!

Arrival & Dismissal

Arrival

Please be on time to school. Arrival starts at 9:20 am. Attendance is taken at 9:45 am.

Please let me know by **Class DoJo** if your child will be absent or late to school.

Dismissal

Please let the Main Office know if you will be picking up earlier than 2:00 pm. After 2:00 pm you will have to wait for dismissal at 3:20 pm.

Please do not send your child to school if they do not feel well or showing any signs of illness.

Daily Communication Folders

This folder is our two-way communication tool and it is very important! Use it to send notes to us and notices from the district.

Please check your child's backpack and folder daily. We will use the folder to send home notes and your child's work. Use the daily folder for any notes to me or the office.



Please do not allow your child to play with the folder or pull papers out of the folder. The folder is for <u>Parents!</u> Only Parents should open the folder and take papers out. That way important papers will not get lost

Family-School Connection



Marianne Carr, Student Advisor, Connecting Families with resources

Family activities/articles shared throughout the year

Preschool events held throughout the year with guest speakers & access to community resources ... look for flyers via **Class Dojo** and Folders.

Staying Connected

sgilday@longbranch.k12.nj.us

School Office: 732-571-4153

mailbox, 55427

Be sure that you are receiving Class DoJo messages!

Instagram @MrsGilday

Facebook Susan Gilday









Preschool Curriculum



Designed for Mixed Ages

Fosters Self-regulation

Teaches academic skills

What is Self-Regulation?

Some examples include:

- Sitting still; hands to self
- Taking turns; sharing
- Staying focused; completing tasks
- Managing emotions



Abilities that allow children to be successful in social interactions and learning.

Opening Group





Reinforcement of social skills



Introduction of math skills



Modeling of scaffolded writing

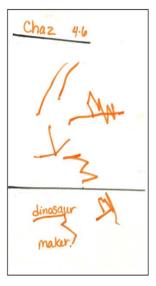
Play Planning



Making a plan and following through ... self-regulation!



Start with drawing a picture to show plan









One-on-one interactions between children and teachers to work on literacy skills through the use of scaffolded writing

Make Believe Play





Practice following rules ... self-regulation!



Exposure to new vocabulary



Meaningful opportunities to practice math and literacy skills

Small & Large Group Story Labs

Exposure to both fiction and non-fiction books

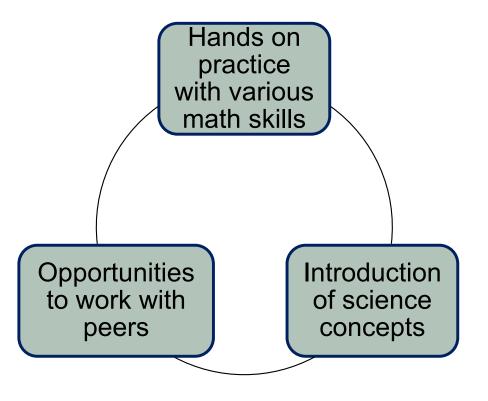
Comprehension skills

Language building



Small Group Math & Science





Buddy Reading & Graphics Practice

Book handling skills

Practice with turn-taking

Introduction to handwriting skills





Movement Games



All throughout the day

Develop gross motor skills

Build self-regulation

Resources for Parents

Long Branch Schools Website

JMF School Website

Which Includes:

Teacher Pages

Email: Susan Gilday

Calendar

Announcements

Family Tree Photo



Please bring in or send a picture of your family for our classroom family tree. This picture will stay in the classroom displayed for your child.

You can e-mail me the picture and I can print it out for you, send to sgilday@longbranch.k12.nj.us The picture will be returned at the end of the year.



Looking forward to a great year! Thank You!



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