Welcome to Kindergarten!

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Welcome to the Good Shepherd School Kindergarten class. My name is Ms. Nadeau and I will be your child's teacher for the 2019 -2020 school year. Below you will find the list of supplies your child will need for the year. We will start using the materials on the first day of school. Also, attached you will find information on how to prepare your child for kindergarten. Kindergarten is not what it used to be and the Common Core has raised the academic standards. Please review the list and continue to practice any skills not mastered in pre-k over the summer. I look forward to working along with you to give your child the best education possible.



Ms. Nadeau

Kindergarten Supply List

- 2 folders with pockets
- 3 composition notebooks (1black & white, 2 any color)
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 pack of baby wipes
- 1 box of large size fat crayons
- 2 boxes of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 pack of large fat size glue sticks
- 1/2 inch binder
- 2 ½ inch binder
- 1 package of Expo Dry Erase Markers
- 1 pack of white copy paper

1 box of ziplock bags

An adult size white t-shirt (for class art)

Small backpack/ school bag (without wheels)



*Each child will also need to bring 2 <u>sharpened</u> pencils and a separate eraser to class <u>every day</u>. (no sharpeners are allowed in class)





10 Ways to Prepare of Your Child for Kindergarten

- 1. Read **books** everyday.
- 2. Develop **fine motor skills**: holding a pencil, cutting with scissors, use glue
- 3. Print **first name** with only the first letter capitalized
- 4. Learn to follow 2- step **directions**: "Please go get your shoes and put them on."
- 5. Practice **letter and sound recognition**. Practice the letter names and sounds everyday. (Individual letters, not singing the Alphabet Song)
- 6. Practice number recognition. Count objects daily.
- 7. Talk about **social skills**: sharing, taking turns, positive words, how to handle anger
- 8. Use good manners: "please" and "Thank you"
- 9. Help your child take **responsibility**: clean up messes, get their own snacks, dress themselves (put on and zip coat, button own pants, start to tie shoes, etc.)
- Build **self-esteem**. Praise your child often because Kindergarten is hard!