

Welcome to Franklin Park School!

back to school newsletter

Notes from Principal **Nicole S. Scott**

September

What's the **BUZZ?**

Realizing the power of our dreams...



Feel it, Believe it, Dream it, Bee it!

September 11th
First Day of School
for Pre-K

It is our pleasure to welcome you and your child to the Early Childhood Program at the Franklin Park School. We know that your child will have a lot of fun learning and making new friends.

September 17th
Back to School Night
(Pre-K and K)

The first day of school for your child will be **Wednesday, September 11, 2013.**

September 20th
Mugs & Muffins (Pre-K)
9:00 am & 1:00 pm

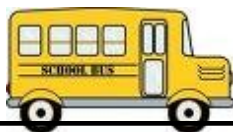
Each day your child should be dressed in **comfortable play clothes that they are able to pull up and down themselves.** Also, your child should be able to remove and put on their own shoes. Children are not expected to tie shoelaces until they are five years old, so please, **no shoelaces.** Velcro closures are most appropriate.

September 27th
PTO
Ice Cream Social
5:30

On the first day of school, please send a complete change of clothes in a large Ziploc bag clearly marked with the child's name. Other items that should be sent the first week of school are:



- A regular/standard size backpack (**NO WHEELS**)
- A Box of tissues
- A box of baby wipes and a container of disinfecting wipes



TRANSPORTATION

The transportation department will contact you regarding the time of pick-up. It is important that your child is ready when the bus arrives as the start of class depends on the arrival of the bus at school. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

For safety reasons, while on the bus, children may not eat or drink.

Please make sure your child does not have any food in their hand as they get on the bus.

If you do not plan to use the school bus and you will be transporting your child daily, please call Transportation at (732) 828-6620 by August 20th

The ECDC staff will help carry these items for your child. These items will be requested periodically throughout the school year as we run low. Please remember you **must label all of your child's removable clothing as well as their book bag and snack box or bag.** This helps the child as well as the staff keep track of belongings.

It is very important that all children entering the program are potty trained. If you are having any difficulty in this area, please contact Ms. Kathy Damore, Pre-School Coordinator at (732) 297-3427 x 241, the first week of school, and we can meet to help you complete this very important skill.

Each day, the children should bring a **healthy snack and a drink.** Eating for a young child is a social occasion to practice our language skills and a time to learn about first friends and sharing. Use your discretion when packing food, keeping in mind the food's nutritional value and the personal taste of your child. **If your child has any food allergies, please let us know immediately so we can avoid these foods.**

Our staff also looks forward to meeting all of you at Back-to-School night on Tuesday, September 17th. Further information about this evening will follow.

The beginning of school is always a time of excitement, for students as well as teachers. We are looking forward to a wonderful year serving your child.

*** Enclosed you will find a nametag to be worn by your child to and from school each day for the first two weeks***

