Kindergarten Orientation

Phelps Luck Elementary School

2023
Agenda

- Meet the team!
- Kindergarten Basics
- Getting Ready for Kindergarten
- Questions/Comments
Meet the Team

Ms. Baker
Mrs. Becker
Ms. Harback
Mrs. Barfield
Mrs. Ravindarin
Ms. McKenney
Transportation

- Teach your child how they will get home from school. Please have your child go to and from school following their typical routine starting on the first day of school.

- If your child is a bus rider, check the Bus Locator in August to find out their bus stop and practice going there. Call the office 410-313-6886 to verify.

- For information about transportation please visit: https://www.hcpss.org/schools/transportation/
Bathrooming

- Recognizing and being able to communicate bathroom needs
- Remove clothing to use restroom independently
- Independent wiping
- Flushing independently (it can be loud)
- Washing hands
- Extra clothes that are labeled please:)
Independence

- Self care (zipping zippers, buttoning buttons, tying shoes, etc.)
- Open and close containers with lid, lunch box, put in straw, cleaning up lunch
- Take coat on and off.
- Take things in and out of backpack
- Follow 2-3 step directions
Videos

Shoe Tying

Simon Says

Putting on a Jacket
Videos

Washing Hands

[Video of washing hands with steps 1 to 5]
In Kindergarten, students use their fine motor skills daily to:

- How to hold a pencil
- Write name - Capital first, the rest lowercase and top to bottom
- Cut paper with scissors
At home you can help your child build their fine motor skills by providing them opportunities to:

- Rip, cut, and scrunch paper
- Help with cooking: Stirring and mixing
- Finger paint
- Put together puzzles
- Play board games
- Play with play doh: Roll, smoosh, pat, and pound
Fine Motor Resources

- Holding a Pencil

- Cutting with Scissors

- Fine Motor Summer Fun

3 activities to help your youngster learn how to hold a pencil!

Teaching your youngster how to use scissors! Quick & easy tips

5 Prewriting & Writing Activities for Preschoolers & Kindergarteners
Ready for Reading

- Working on naming **ALL** lowercase letters & knowing their sounds
- Writing and identifying their own name
- They will be learning 12 high frequency words in the beginning:
  - a, and, are, can, I, is, like, me, see, the, we, you
- Understand how to “read the pictures” and handle books
- Listen to a story that is read to them and talk about the story
Reading Resources

- Kidsongs: The Name Game from Very Silly Songs
- Aa from Rock N Learn
Math Expectations

- **Counting**- out loud and objects
- **Number ID** to 20 (100 end of year)
- **Shapes**
- **How many?**
- **Seeing numbers different ways**
Ready for Kindergarten Math

Practice, practice, practice, counting:
- In the car, waiting in line, brushing teeth, etc
- Objects- toys, crayons, buttons, coins- anything they can touch!
- Matching numeral to amount

Shapes- puzzles, playdough, environmental, drawing, blocks
Math Resources

Let's Learn Our Numbers 0-10

I Can Show Numbers In So Many Ways

COUNTING 1 - 20

Jack Hartmann
Social Skills

Accepting No & Not Always Winning

Being Flexible

"Time to stop what you are doing and clean up!"

Transitioning to Activities

Listening/Following Directions & Rules

Sharing / Taking Turns / Waiting

Stating Needs

I need... I feel...
Social skill Models

Taking Turn Social Story

Listening Social Story

Accepting No Social Story
Social skills Models

- Being Flexible Social Story
- I Can Wait Social Story

- We Can be FLEXIBLE
  - I can be okay with changes
  - I won't always get what I want

- I feel
  - I need
  - Angry
  - Calm
  - Scared
  - Sad
  - Worried

- be a Super LISTENER
  - mouth are closed
  - ears are on the speaker
  - eyes are ready
  - handle empty
  - follow directions right away

- Social Story: I Can Wait
  - a break
  - a hug
  - help
Upcoming Dates

- Summer Play Date, August 17th, 5-6pm, PLES playground
- Back to School Night, August 24th, 6-7pm, PLES cafeteria
- Open House, August 25th, 1:30pm, PLES
- 1st day of school, August 28th