



The Co-Op began with five women wanting a play based experience in which they could participate. That philosophy continues today.

We have a rich tradition.

Jennie Collyer, our Young 3s teacher, has four hand prints in plaster. One is her own and the other three are her daughters, all crafted at the Co-op in the 3s & 4s class over the years. This is but one example of the tradition that has continued through the years.

There is much tradition to be carried through this year, as it is our first full year in the wonderful new facility.

Another exciting school year is upon us and we have the opportunity to build on this tradition. It will be a first experience for all of us. Starting in the new facility, we are assured our past will be with us.

Here's to our 53rd year. Make it a great one!

May your days be filled,

Amy Fischer

2008-09 Co-op President

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Mark your calendars!

Wednesday, September 3rd, 7:30 pm Fall Parent Orientation Meeting

Saturday, September 6th, 9am: Fall Workshop

******One parent from each family is required to attend each of these events******

young 3s

Mrs. Collyer

I love this time of the year when all of the excitement for a new school year begins to build. For most of our Young Threes, this is their very first opportunity to enjoy the anticipation of going to school. It is a joy to share this adventure with them and I am truly looking forward to meeting all of the new Young Threes at our September 4th back to school party. See you there!

Thursday, Sept. 4: Playground Party & Meet the Teacher Day

- 10 am 1st 1/2 class play in classroom
- 10:30 am whole class meets on playground
- 11:00 am 2nd 1/2 class play in classroom

Welcome to the 3s & 4s class. We are so excited to be settled into our new rooms and to be able to begin the year in our new surroundings. We are really looking forward to meeting all of our new students and parents. We will have that opportunity on Wednesday, September 3 at our Meet the Teachers day. You will be contacted by our Participation Chair as to specific times. You will also be notified as to when your child will begin school. We do have staggered days the first week to allow the children to "ease" in to school. Please remember, the first days of school are "cutting days" when parents stay in the building to work on projects for the year. It is also helpful if we have any separation anxiety if one or both parents are in the building. We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer and we are sure that the next few weeks will be very exciting as everyone readies themselves for the beginning of the school year.

3s & 4s

Mrs. Bartz & Mrs. Stefanek

Wednesday, Sept. 3: Playground Party & Meet the Teachers Day

Morning Class:

- 10 am 1st 1/2 of class play in classroom
- 10:30 am whole class meets on playground
- 11:00 am 2nd 1/2 of class play in classroom

Afternoon Class:

- 12 noon-1 pm whole class plays in classroom & playground

Pre-K

Ms. Day

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the pre-k class families! This year, your child will encounter new and exciting challenges and many wonderful learning opportunities where exploration, creativity and a nurturing environment are a top priority.

Friday, Sept. 5: Playground Party & Meet the Teacher Day

Morning Class

- 9:30 - 10:30 am 1st 1/2 of class plays in classroom
- 10:30 - 11 am whole class meets on playground
- 11:00 - 12 noon 2nd 1/2 of class plays in classroom

Afternoon Class

- 12:30 - 2 pm whole class plays in classroom & playground

Please make every effort to attend the Parent Orientation meeting on Wednesday, September 3rd. The pre-k class will meet in the classroom afterwards. Your class participation chairperson will be contacting you about our "meet the teacher day", which is Friday, September 5th. I look forward to meeting you and your child on this day.

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Wed. Sept. 3rd: Pre-K am & pm Meet the Teacher & Playground Parties

Wed. Sept. 3rd: **Parent Orientation Meeting**

*7:30 pm Calvary Hall - One parent from each family is required to attend
All forms due, Tuition due & Tote bags will be available for purchase*

Thurs. Sept. 4th: Young 3s Meet the Teacher & Playground Party

Fri. Sept. 5th: 3s & 4s am & pm Meet the Teacher & Playground Parties

Sat. Sept. 6th: **Fall Workshop**

9am-12 noon One parent from each family is required to attend

Mon. Sept. 8th: **Pre-K am first day of school**

9-11 am Parents stay in building

Tues.- Thurs. Sept. 9-11: **All classes begin**

Morning classes: 9-11 am Parents stay in building all week

Afternoon classes: 12:30-2:30 pm Parents stay in building all week

Fri. Sept. 26: Spaghetti Dinner

Tues. Sept. 30: **NO SCHOOL:** Rosh Hashanah

little extras

First week of school...parents are required to stay in the building to assure a positive transition for all of our children. While we wait, we have the opportunity to help out the teachers and cut out shapes for future projects. This saves the teachers countless hours and gives us the chance to get to know other parents in our class. Please bring your own scissors and pencil!

Dalcroze (music and movement class) will be held on Wednesdays this year. Our teacher, Brian Sweigart has asked that the children be barefoot...that means **NO TIGHTS** for our little princesses on Wednesdays!

NUT FREE! Church of the Saviour is Nut Free...For the safety of all of our children, the entire C.O.T.S. facility is now a nut free zone. Please refrain from bringing any nuts or nut containing products into the building...this includes the playground area. A listing of nut free foods that are appropriate for snack time will be provided by your Participation Chair. Your cooperation ensures a safe environment for all.