

Tips for Tot Time

WELCOME ABOARD!

We are so glad to have you join us. Your child's center-based class experience will be successful because of **parent participation, involvement, and modeling** throughout class. From the time you arrive, the teacher will facilitate a structured setting and partner with you each week to help your child be successful. This is a safe zone, and we expect kids to cry or be upset at this age. **It is okay!** We are all in this together!

ARRIVAL COURTESY:

Classroom doors will open **5 minutes** before class begins. Please feel free to enjoy our playground until class time if the weather permits.

PLAYTIME, CIRCLE TIME & CENTERS:

- ☀ Parent participation, parent involvement, and modeling! (Please refrain from cell phone use during class).
- ☀ Please assist your child during play time and center activities (i.e. art).
- ☀ Please discourage any running in class by using verbal redirection or redirecting your child to a new activity. Examples of verbal redirection you may hear the teacher use include: **“walking feet”**, **“tip-toe feet”**, or **“marching feet”**

We ask that parents guide their child to a mat for circle time and sit behind them. Ideally, your child will sit during circle time; however, we understand that this is not always the case! **If your child does not sit for circle time, do not worry!** After class, your teacher will meet with you to brainstorm. Your teacher will build on your child's current skills, strategize with you, and discuss any reasonable accommodations to make circle time easier.



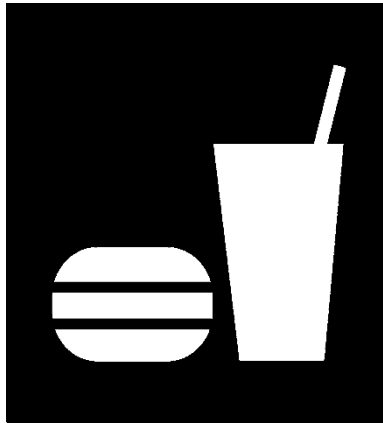
SNACK TIME:

Please bring a snack and drink to each class for your child.

Before eating snack, please help your child wash their hands.

Snack time is a great opportunity for your child to socialize!

Out of consideration for our friends with allergies, please save your peanut/nut snacks for home 😊



OUTSIDE/GYM:

This will become part of your child's transition routine, indicating it is almost time to go home. Most children would prefer to keep playing, and initially, it might be difficult to leave! Again, your teacher will talk to you after class to discuss any concerns you have with this transition.

For general safety purposes while outside, we ask that your child does not play near the

bleachers, bridge, or water.

We look forward to seeing you!

If you have any questions, please call the
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