

Ventura Missionary School

Kindergarten 2023-2024

Dear Parents:

Welcome to the wonderful world of Kindergarten! We hope your summer vacation is full of precious memories. It's never too early to get excited for school to begin again! We look forward to a great year of partnering with you as your child grows mentally, physically, and spiritually. Kindergarten is full of learning and fun!

Our classroom visitation is on **Friday, August 11th** between 2:00pm-3:00pm. This is a time for you and your child to meet the teachers, explore the classroom, and bring in supplies. Sign-up sheets will be available for various classroom volunteer jobs and wish lists will also be posted.

After your classroom visitation time, the Administration and PFT will be hosting a short social in the Family Room from 3:00pm-4:00pm. This will be a time for new families to meet each other and the administration to explain some helpful tips to get you through the first few days of school.

The first day of school starts bright and early on Monday, August 14th at 8:05 a.m. The first two days of school, parents are invited to walk their child to the blacktop that runs along Foothill Rd. and wait near the Kindergarten sign on the fence. The whistle will blow at 8:00am and the teacher will meet the students outside and walk them to class. Parents will be able to walk their child to class on the first day and quickly give hugs, on the second day parents will give hugs on the blacktop. The teachers will explain how the morning drop off will work for the rest of the year at Back to School Night Tuesday, August 15th. Our dismissal time is 1:30pm. We do have Kindy Care available in our classroom from 1:30-2:30pm, followed by Elementary Extended Care from 2:30-5:30pm. An email will be sent to all families to sign-up in advance should you require Extended Care.

Each child will need to bring their own snack, lunch, and water/drink, each day. For lunches or snacks, please **NO NUTS** of any kind and refrain from packing any candy. Please no glass containers at school. If staying for aftercare- **another snack** will be needed.

The following is a supply list needed by all children:

The following items need to be labeled with your child's name

- Backpack (please no roller backpack), lunch bag, and water bottle.
- 1-inch three ring white view binder
- 50 Avery sheet protectors (please place inside their binder)
- 1 pair child sized scissors
- A headset for listening to audio stories

The following items will be shared with all students:

- 4 packs of baby wipes
- 2 Reams of white computer printing paper
- 1 -12 Pack of Elmer glue sticks
- 2 solid colored 2-pocket folder (Do not write names on them)
- 1 pack 12 count expo markers (fine tip)
- 1 box of 12: My First Ticonderoga Primary Size #2 beginner pencils
- Washable Crayola Classic markers: <u>2 boxes</u>, 10 count
- 2- 12 packs of colored pencils
- 1-4 pack black sharpie markers (fine point) or (ultra fine point)

Thank you for sharing your most precious one with us. We look forward to becoming part of your family. We are going to have an awesome year!

See you Friday, August 11th!
The VMS Kindergarten Teaching Team