

# Welcome to Kindergarten & Kindergarten Plus!!



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East Dundee, IL

## In this packet...

**WELCOME**

**DAYS TO NOTE**

**SCHEDULE**

### THE ABC'S OF KINDERGARTEN

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Address	Milk
Aides	Newsletter
Attendance	Parent Information Night
Birthdays	Parties
Chapel	Phone number
Christmas Service	Scholastic Book Orders
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Church/SS Attendance	Show and Tell
Communication	Snack
Computer	Supplies
Conferences	Star of the Week
Field Trips	Uniforms
Handwriting	Water bottles
Library	

## SPECIAL DAYS TO NOTE:

<b>Wed, August 17</b>	<p><b>Kindergarten "Meet and Greet" 8:00-8:50 (Open House)</b>                  Come with your parent(s) to see the room, drop off supplies, meet new friends, find your desk, etc. Uniform optional on this day for Kindergarten  <b>9:00 Chapel</b> - Kindergarteners and their parents are encouraged to attend chapel together  <i>Following chapel</i> there is a meet and greet with Principal Domeier. (Kindergarteners and Parents are welcome!)  <i>(1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade have dismissal at 12pm)</i></p>
<b>Thu, August 18</b> <b>Fri, August 19</b>	<p><b>Half-Days for ALL Kindergarten</b>                  8:30-11:30 Kindergarten AM (Yellow)                  12:10-3:10 Kindergarten PM (Blue)  <i>*Extended Care is available free of charge from 8:30-3:10 on these days for any Kindergarten Plus student who needs it.</i></p>
<b>Mon, August 22</b>	<b>Kindergarten Plus begins</b>
<b>Tue, September 6</b>	<b>Hot Lunch Service Available for Kindergarten</b>

## Kindergarten/K+ Yellow Schedule

8:10-8:30 Drop off at Mrs. Anderson's Classroom

8:30-11:30 Instruction with Mrs. Anderson

Includes weekly:

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|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| ☺ Religion       | ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics | ☺ Music         |
| ☺ Reading        | ☺ PE                    | ☺ Recess        |
| ☺ Math           | ☺ Art                   | ☺ Chapel        |
| ☺ Science        | ☺ Computer              | ☺ Creative Play |
| ☺ Social Studies | ☺ Library               | ☺ Snack         |

11:30 Half-Day students are dismissed

### **K+ Yellow continues:**

11:30 Lunch in the gym

12:00 Recess outside

12:10 - 3:00 K+ with Mrs. DeWitt

Includes weekly:

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|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| ☺ Jesus time                               | ☺ Art                   | ☺ Outdoor play      |
| ☺ Math enrichment                          | ☺ Guided reading        | ☺ Snack             |
| ☺ Theme based activities                   | ☺ ABC Mouse             | ☺ Book time         |
| ☺ Animal Science                           | ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics | ☺ Writer's workshop |
| ☺ Literacy skills reinforcement/enrichment |                         |                     |

3:00-3:10 Dismissal

PICK UP OPTIONS:

3:00-3:10 Pick up at K+ room (Church building)

3:05-3:10 Car-line at "Big" school

Extended Care available at an additional cost from 7:00-8:10 and 3:10-6:00.

## Kindergarten/K+ Blue Schedule

8:10-8:30 Drop off at Mrs. DeWitt's Classroom (Lower-Level of Church building)

8:30-11:20 K+ with Mrs. DeWitt

Includes weekly:

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|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| ☺ Jesus time                               | ☺ Art                   | ☺ Outdoor play      |
| ☺ Math enrichment                          | ☺ Guided reading        | ☺ Snack             |
| ☺ Theme based activities                   | ☺ ABC Mouse             | ☺ Book time         |
| ☺ Animal Science                           | ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics | ☺ Writer's workshop |
| ☺ Literacy skills reinforcement/enrichment |                         |                     |

11:30 Lunch in the gym

12:00 Recess outside

**Half-Day students join us ☺**

**12:00-12:15 Drop off for half day students**

12:15 - 3:05 Instruction with Mrs. Anderson

Includes weekly:

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|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| ☺ Religion       | ☺ Haggerty Oral Phonics | ☺ Creative Play |
| ☺ Reading        | ☺ PE                    | ☺ Music         |
| ☺ Math           | ☺ Art                   | ☺ Recess        |
| ☺ Science        | ☺ Computer              | ☺ Chapel        |
| ☺ Social Studies | ☺ Library               |                 |

3:05-3:10 Dismissal

PICK UP OPTIONS:

3:05-3:10 Pick up in Kindergarten lane

3:10-3:30 Pick up with all grades in car line

Extended Care available at an additional cost from 7:00-8:10 and 3:15-6:00.

## The ABC's of Kindergarten:

**Address and Phone number:** We believe it is important for our children to know where they live and to know a phone number (see "phone number"). All students will need to memorize their address by October. If a child lives at more than one address, we will ask the parents to choose which address their child should memorize.

**Aides:** We can't wait for you to meet our wonderful aides! Mrs. Jane Theis is our aide for Kindergarten. Mrs. Koehlert, our former Kindergarten teacher, also comes around to help whenever needed. Mrs. Bauer is an aide for K+ along with various other early childhood teaching aides who step in when needed. What would we do without these wonderful people?!

**Attendance:** Please do your best to have your child to school on time. Tardies are marked at 8:30. Also, we encourage you to schedule appointments for after school, whenever possible. (I.e. doctor or dentist)

**Birthdays:** We love birthdays! We will sing to your child and make their day as special as we can. However, it is school policy that NO EDIBLE TREATS may be sent in for birthdays. You are welcome to send in a non-edible gift for the classmates or for the classroom. i.e. pencils, erasers, book for the classroom, goody-bags.

**Chapel:** We have chapel as an entire school once a week. Sometimes in the morning, sometimes in the afternoon. We also collect an offering every week and each class designates an organization to receive their offerings. Kindergarten's offerings go to the Alaska Mission Society.

**Christmas Service:** All students in grades K-8 are asked to participate in one of two Christmas services that our students will lead. Please plan on attending one of these services.

**Choir:** Kindergarten sings in church four times a year to share our gifts with God's people.  
September 9 @ 10:45 am  
December 4 @ 10:45 am  
February 11 @ 6:00 pm (Valentine's Dance to follow in the gym)  
April 9 @ 10:45 am

**Church/Sunday School Attendance:** We believe it is important for our students to be in church on a regular basis. In order to encourage this, we keep record of your weekly attendance. We will send home a form every Wednesday and ask that it be returned by that Friday.

**Communication:** We want to hear from you! We also want this year to go smoothly so the more communication the better. You will receive a newsletter from both Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. DeWitt to let you know what exciting things are happening in each class.

**Computer:** Kindergarten will begin basic typing skills mid-year and students will become more and more familiar with the parts of the computer. K+ students will receive extra time in the lab.

**Conferences:** We will hold two official conferences to meet and discuss your child's progress. However, we are always available to meet to discuss any concerns or areas of need.

Fall parent-teacher conference is:

Wed, Thu, Fri, 11/2-4

Student-led conference is the week of February 27th

**Field Trips:** Field trips are yet to be planned. We will let you know as soon as we have dates. Goebbert's in Hampshire is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 12.

**Handwriting:** We use Zaner-Bloser manuscript. (see attached) We stress the use of proper stroke and technique.

**Homework:** Kindergarteners "homework" packets are optional. These are provided to allow you to work with your child at night on what we are learning. Typically they are a review of what we have learned. There is no consequence for not returning a packet. However, your child will go to the prize box if they return their packet. It can be returned anytime.

**Library:** Students will go to the school library once a week. They will be allowed to check out 2 books to be returned the next week. Books can be returned to Mrs. Anderson's classroom or the library. Fines will be given if books are overdue.

**Lunch:** K+ students will have lunch at school. Although our hot lunch program begins on the first day of school, for first 3 weeks, **all full-day kindergarten students must bring a lunch from home.** Beginning on September 6, all students are welcome to purchase lunch. If you think your child might purchase hot lunch, it is best to put \$10-20 in their account at the beginning of the year. (see attached price sheet)

**Milk:** Milk can be purchased for the entire year for lunch. (K+ students only) Milk **cannot** be bought individually at lunch time.

**Newsletter:** Mrs. DeWitt and Mrs. Anderson each send home a newsletter via email and hardcopy every Friday.

**Parties:** Room parents will help plan parties for our class. They will ask for help and donations from parents.

November 18	Thanksgiving Party	10:00-11:30 Yellow / 1:30-3:00 Blue
December 21	Christmas Party (all K together)	
February 12	Valentine's Party	10:00-11:30 Yellow / 1:30-3:00 Blue

**Phone number and address:** We believe it is important for children to memorize their address and phone number for their parent(s) in case of emergency (see "address"). We will let parents choose which number is best for their child to learn. We would like them to memorize it by October.

**Scholastic Book Orders:** Mrs. Anderson will send home a Scholastic book order form periodically. There is no obligation to buy. Orders can be turned in to the teacher or completed online. Our classroom earns free books through this program.

**Shoes:** We encourage all Kindergarteners to learn to tie their own shoes by December. From August to December, we will help tie shoes. After that we will strongly encourage them to tie their own shoes. Please work on this at home.

**Show and Tell:** All students will have Show and Tell on Tuesdays. There will be a specific theme for each day. A calendar will come home each month.

**Snack:** We will have a snack time in the morning sessions of Kindergarten and K+. Students will bring their own snack. We will provide water to drink.

**Supplies:** (see below)

**Uniforms:** We require all Kindergarteners to follow the school uniform policy.

**Water bottles:** Water bottles are allowed in back packs or lunch boxes for lunch or when we come in from recess or have a water break. We also have bottled fountain water available for drinking in the Kindergarten classroom.

## Immanuel Lutheran School Kindergarten/K+ School Supplies

### Half-Day Kindergarten

- 1 Large school bag - brought daily (*label*)
- 1 Pocket folder - brought daily (*label*)
- 1 Pair of clean gym shoes - left at school (*label*)
- 1 Paint smock - left at school (old shirt, ok) (*label*)
- 1 School box - 5"x 8" plastic box with snap enclosure (*label*)
- 1 pair of Fiskars scissors (*label*)
- 2 4-oz bottle of Elmer's school glue (*label*)
- 1 Box of 10 **Crayola Classic Colors broad line markers - thick** (*label*)
- 1 Pink eraser (*label*)
- 5 Pencils #2 lead
- 2 Disinfectant wipes
- 2 Large box of tissues
- 2 Baby wipes (refills ok)
- 2 Roll(s) of paper towels
- 1 Box of 24 **classic color Crayola** crayons -*label*
- 2 Large glue sticks

### Full-Day Kindergarten (K+)

- 1 Large school bag - brought daily (*label*)
- 1 Pocket folder - brought daily (*label*)
- 1 Pair of clean gym shoes - left at school (*label*)
- 1 Paint smock - left at school (old shirt, ok) (*label*)
- 1 School box - 5"x 8" plastic box with snap enclosure (*label*)
- 1 pair of Fiskars scissors (*label*)
- 2 4-oz bottle of Elmer's school glue (*label*)
- 1 Box of 10 **Crayola Classic Colors broad line markers - thick** (*label*)
- 1 Pink eraser (*label*)
- 5 Pencils #2 lead
- 2 Disinfectant wipes
- 2 Large box of tissues
- 3 Baby wipes (refills ok)
- 3 Roll(s) of paper towels
- 2 Box of 24 **classic color Crayola** crayons -*label*
- 4 Large glue sticks

\* Please do not send mechanical pencils, pencil top erasers or pencil sharpeners.  
Please label **EVERYTHING** except disposable items (tissue, wipes, paper towels, etc.)