

Parent Meeting

Please sign off on all papers that must be signed before this meeting starts and finishes. Jan 31, 2014 at 5:00 pm. Where: Happy House Daycare. Recorder of Minutes: Tamara Topolie.

-I would like to start this meeting off by of course welcoming all of you, we couldn't be the business we are today unless you trusted us with your pride and joys. We have to host these parents meetings four times a year as it is mandatory for our accreditation process. So thank-you to all those that are able to attend tonight, I understand it is a Friday night and we all of things we can be doing.

-We received are 2nd re-accred! We were up for review and were successful with passing

-On the table near the door is paper and pens, these papers and pens are for you to write down your concerns or comments you would like to make during this meeting. We will go over these papers after we have finished the minutes.

-Located in each of the classroom binders are medication forms- There are 3 kinds of medication forms. The first is a long-term/emergency medication form. This form needs to be filled out for epi-pens, inhalers etc. This form is filled out and then stays on file or with the emergency medication. The second medication form is a short-term medication form. This form is for antibiotics that we will have to be giving to your child for the week of two weeks. This way you can fill it out once and although you have to take the medication home each night you won't have to be bothered with filling out to form each morning and this way we are able to be sure they don't miss a dose of the antibiotics. The daily medication form is for when your child needs things such as Tylenol. We cannot give your child Tylenol for more than three days so this should never be on a short-tern medication form. As well, if you bring in medication that does not match the symptoms we can refuse to administer medications-ex-cough syrup with no cough present.

-Illness forms- These are new forms that must be signed off on when you are called to the center to pick-up your child. The child cannot be returned to the

center until 24 hours of being symptom free. We are trying to keep everyone here healthy and sickness free.

-Allergies- We do have some cases of severe allergies in are center. We ask that there be no outside food in order to accommodate these allergies. Another concern however is that some children are coming into the center with food still on them. Sticky hands, faces and shirts, we ask that your children please be clean of all outside food residue for the sake of eliminating cross-contamination.

-Please also keep your child's locker maintained, clean them out periodically and be sure to make sure they are stocked. For clothes that are soiled they are put in the lockers I a bag. If this bag is to stay in the locker for more than 3 days we will then be throwing it out, for obvious reasons.

-please be sure that your child(ren) have the gear that is appropriate for outdoors, we do not go outside if it is colder then -13, however, when it is nice the children have to get outdoors and it's not possible if we do not have the gear to do so.

-Fundraisers- Scholastic Book orders are sporadically throughout the year

-Bottles are always at the front of the school in the white bag, drop off whenever we sort them and take them in once a month.

-Feb 8-9 is our Children's carnival held here at the center. This will cost \$7.00 per child, they will be given a bracelet that is good for the day we will have all three bouncy castles, tattoos, nail spa, and face painting, vendors and a concession. Volunteers can sign-up next to the sign in book table.

-House and Home show is March 16 and 17, there will be a sign-up sheet posted on the table. It is 2 hour time slots for the front door and 2 hour time slots of the kid's carnival. The sheet will tell you what is needed for each of the times. Having as many parents as we do have that sheet should be filled. All parents must volunteer to do something for the center. Otherwise a fee of \$200 will be added to your bill.

-April 21, 2014 we are having a Magic show here at the center. Tickets will be on sale in March with more information to come.

-May 1 is our Art Show, this is located here and displays all of your children's art which is for sale.

-May 4, 2014 is a Fashion Show we will be holding at the center this will include local businesses, appetizers and sparkling water. The cost will be \$10 a seat, a great afternoon for moms, grandmas and anyone else interested!

-June 7, 2014 will be our grad- This is for all of the children who are off to school in the fall

-August 23 will be an outdoor back to school event-more information to come

-We will be picking a day in May that works best for you guys to hold an OSC and parents whose children go to school in the fall parent meeting only.

-As you have seen from the many notices around that there are absolutely no drop-off or pick-ups during 11:00-2:00. Unless of course it is for an appointment, which needs to be cleared ahead of time.

-Parking- Please only use the front of the school our parking lot is shared with North Star and doesn't hold even enough spaces for our staff. This includes when dropping off and picking-up.

-The Facebook group is not for posting if your children are not coming in please and thank-you other parents do not want notifications on when your children are unable to attend for the day. Call, text or email to let us know!

-We have installed security cameras around the center. These are for better security and are constantly recording.

- Any other questions or concerns??

Other things discussed/Suggestions:

-What is going on for next year's kindergarten kids? I.e-Transportation before/after care. I would like my child to come here and be bussed to the North. Is this possible?

-I have noticed a lot of parents are parking in the handicap parking for drop-off and pick-ups. These should be left for those that may need them.

-Better snow removal and ice maintenance out front. Hard carrying an infant on the icy patches. Safety risk.

-Wanting monthly daycare wide calendars and newsletters

-Food changes

-Dino-Room French introduction

-New toddler gym- Start and End the day in there

-E-Transfers- lawuta@telus.net- credit union

Meeting End Time: _____ 6:45pm _____

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