



## PRE-SCHOOL CLASS

We would like to welcome all the bright and smiling faces to the Pre-School Class at Provo Primary. We hope you all had a wonderful, fun and rested summer. We welcome all our new families and those who are returning as well. This year, preschool have two members of staff working with the Pre-School Class – Ms. Myrna (lead teacher) and Ms.Nenette (assistant).

Starting school is an exciting time as children embark on new adventures in the world of learning. We will have lots of fun and engaging activities that will provide play-based opportunities to promote discovery of self and the environment. Throughout the year, learning will take place not only in the classroom but outdoors as well. We are excited also to be merging with the Junior Kindergarten and Toddler class on occasion. The children will be given the option to explore both classrooms where a variety of activities will be offered to enhance development. In addition, the children will engage with others of different ages and abilities.

### From the teachers desk



During our first weeks, the children will be settling into their new environment and getting to know their teachers, peers and basic routines. Our first topic will be “How Marvellous am I” which will focus on what is special about them as an individual and linking to families, friendships, the five senses and many related nursery rhymes and stories.

**Just a friendly reminder...**

- Each day bring a healthy snack (and lunch for full day children) in a **lunch kit** (an ice pack will help keep foods fresh) and a water bottle. All snack items and water bottle should be ready to eat and easy enough for your child to open (or with some assistance) and eat independently. In a **separate bag**, please include sufficient wet wipes; pull ups/underwear, other diapering essentials and a change of clothes. Please label your child’s personal items.
- Drop off routine: Water bottle in the cooler, lunch kits in blue cubbies by door and bags on designated hook in the bathroom. Wash your child’s hands prior to playing. Bring your child outside to play or into soft play (toddler room). Always let your child know when you are leaving.

- Drop off time: 8.10 to 8.30am; Pick up (half day): 12pm; (full day): 3pm. To ensure the safety of all children after pick up, please do not allow children to play on playground equipment, soccer pitch or garden.
- Sickness: if your child is sick, please consider keeping him/her home at least 24 hours after symptoms have subsided. Please informed the office before class time.

## Birthdays

**Please note that we are unable to hold parties at school, with balloons, party food and party bags.** We are, however happy to celebrate children's birthdays at school by singing 'happy birthday'. If you would like to bring in something special to eat or drink on your child's birthday, please tell us a few days beforehand. We ask that these items are mindful of our healthy eating awareness. As we recognise that some parents wish to monitor the food their child may be eating, we ask that you bring a small individually **wrapped item. These will then be distributed and taken home at the end of the school day.** If it is table-ready fruit, then we are happy to share this out during snack. If you are sending items to school to be shared out, we ask that they do not contain peanuts.

At this time we would like to thank you for entrusting your child's early education with us. We are partners in the education process and together we can instil a love for learning that will last throughout your child's years of schooling. With that in mind, please feel free to ask any other questions or concerns at the end of the day or arrange a scheduled time.

*Ms. Myrna and Ms. Nenette*