WELCOME PARENTS



Christ Memorial Christian Preschool



Our Terrific Staff

2 Day Teachers and Assistants

- * Mrs. L and Mrs. Benzing (Classroom Love) jeremie.l@cmpcusa.org
- * Mrs. Nienhuis and Mrs. Wheelock (Classroom Joy) julie.nienhuis@cmpcusa.org

3 Day Teachers and Assistants

- * Mrs. L and Mrs. Benzing (Classroom Love) jeremie.l@cmpcusa.org
- * Mrs. Nienhuis and Mrs. Wheelock (Classroom Joy) julie.nienhuis@cmpcusa.org

5 Day Teacher and Assistant

* Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Scheid (Classroom Hope) - k.smith@cmpcusa.org

Staff Support

- * Mrs. Stine
- * Mrs. Brathwaite



School Schedule

School Calendar – Available on our website and posted on the parent board

Special Events/Fieldtrips – Available on our website and posted on the parent board. Updated as field trips scheduled.

Inclement Weather Policy – If HCPSS is closed due to inclement weather we are also closed. If HCPSS is open 1 or 2 hours late, we will open at 10:30 am and close at 12:30 pm.

Emergency Closings – You will be notified by the school if we need to close early.



Arrival and Dismissal Policies

Arrival – Class begins at 9 am, please do not arrive before 8:55 am. Enter through the front door of the church building and exit via the playground door. Online sign-in required via the website, QR Code or tablet outside classrooms. Tablets available at Open House.

Dismissal – Church door unlocked at 11:50, preschool door unlocked when children in classrooms from playground. Please wait in large room for your child to be dismissed. We ask that parents wait close to their classroom doors to speed up the process. Please no cell phones. You do not need to complete an online sign-out at dismissal time.

Playground – Please wait inside if we are on the playground when you arrive for dismissal.

Changes – Please provide a note notifying teachers of a change in dismissal, email to the preschool office will also be accepted.

Security – The preschool doors will be locked each morning at 9:15 am and reopen at 11:50 am. To gain access to the school during the locked hours you will need to ring the doorbell, and the director will be able to provide you entrance.



September Dismissal – The three-year-old classes will dismiss at 11:30 am until October 1st, all other classes will end at 12 Noon.



Financial Procedures

We are a non-profit preschool, and we depend on your tuition payments to keep the school running!

SEPTEMBER TUITION DUE BY 12 PM TOMORROW!

Tuition Payments – All payments will be made online just as you completed the registration payment. Visit the preschool website and select the purple box Preschool Payments on the right side of the screen. Please consider that credit card fees do influence our budget.

Online Profile – This is not required to complete payment. However, if you do create a profile, please be sure to remember the email address you used and password you created.

Re-occurring Payments – After making your September tuition payment you can create a re-occurring monthly payment. Enter your monthly tuition amount. Select frequency = monthly; Start Date = 10/1/24; End Date = 5/1/25

Due Date – Tuition is due by the 10th of each month. Make sure you account for weekends when making your tuition payment

Late Fees – After the 10th a late fee of \$10 will be assessed.

Late Pick-Up Fines – There is a fine for constant lateness. The fee is \$10 for every 5 minutes. The late fee is payable to the teacher upon pick-up.



Emergencies



Emergency Forms – Very Important! This form was completed as part of your registration paperwork. These forms are used to determine who we contact if there is an emergency for your child. These forms also provide us with the names of those given permission to pick up your child.

We will not release your child to anyone who is not on your emergency form, unless we have a written note or email to the office from you! A phone call does not suffice, permission must be in writing.

If we have not previously met the person picking up your child but they are listed on the emergency form, they must have ID to present.

Please make sure to update this form in the preschool office as needed throughout the year.

Absences and Illness

Notification – Please inform the school via email, at preschool@cmpcusa.org if your child will not attend school due to illness. Please also include your child's teacher in this email.

Planned Absences – Please provide a note to your child's teacher and to the office prior to your absence.

Emails During the Day – If you need to share information with your child's teacher after the school day has begun, please CC preschool@cmpcusa.org as your child's teacher will not have easy access to her email while working with the children.



If your child develops a fever, or is complaining of not feeling well, we will notify you using the information you provided on the emergency form. Children must be picked up with 15 minutes of parent notification. The child will be removed from the classroom and be with Mrs.

Gallagher until pick up.



Preschool Snack

Snacks – Children will need to bring a labeled water bottle each day. Teachers will refill these water bottles as needed. A snack will be served daily. Parents will rotate providing snacks for the class. A monthly snack calendar will be sent home with your child at the beginning of each month. The first snack calendar will come home next week with a letter describing the snack process.



Preschool will provide snack the first week of school. If you are unable to provide snack on your assigned day, we suggest you ask another family to swap days. All snacks are to be unopened and sealed when they are brought to class. We encourage healthy snacks and will provide a list of suggested snack items with the first snack calendar.

Allergies

If there are children with specific food allergies, we will notify you through the snack calendar. If your child has a specific allergy and you have **not** noted it in your Health Inventory, please notify Mrs. Gallagher via email as soon as possible.



Clothing

Change of Clothes – We ask that you provide us with a change of clothing for your child at Open House/ 1^{st} Day of School. The clothes should be put in a large Ziploc bag with your child's name on it. Please remember to change out these clothes as the weather changes.

Label – Please label all clothing and belongings your child brings to school, especially coats.

Shoes – No open toed shoes or crocs should be worn at school. This is a safety issue.

School T-Shirts – Each child will receive a School T-shirt that they can wear at anytime. We will be asking children to wear these shirts for all fieldtrips.

School Tote Bags – Each child will receive a School Tote Bag to bring to school each day for paper and project distribution at dismissal. Please bring everyday.

Returning Students – Please use your preschool t-shirt and tote bag from last school year.

Home and School Communications

Email – Most communication comes home via email. Please check your email settings to ensure messages from the preschool are not going into a spam folder or promotions folder.

Monthly Newsletters – Will be distributed via email and posted online on our website. 1st one Tomorrow!



Daily Activities – Outside your child's classroom each day will be a note from the teachers describing the activities of the day.

Parent Teacher Conferences – These take place twice a year, in October and February during school hours.

Progress Reports – These will come home twice a year, in January and May.

Anytime – Whenever you need to speak to your child's teacher, please make arrangements either before or after school to speak with them privately. Our teachers are happy to meet with you. The Director is always available either in person, by phone or through email.

Preschool Playground

We love to see our preschool playground loved and enjoyed! For that reason, we keep our playground open after school for families to enjoy on beautiful days! We do ask that when you use our playground you reinforce our safety rules that make sure everyone has a great time during outdoor play!

- Up the Ladder Down the Slide
- Enjoy the grassy area with running and play but leave the dirt and grass in the ground. The drain in the corner needs to remain clean and clear to work properly.
- Please do not climb on the fence.
- The large equipment is a great place for climbing instead while remembering to please not climb in our house windows or up the large poles of our green structure/red bear.
- The rain garden in the parking lot is not a play area.



Amazon Wish List

Many of you have asked how you can support the preschool and teachers this year. We have created an Amazon Wish List that you can use to find items we will need to create the best preschool environment possible.

We will share this list via the September Newsletter, and you will also be able to find it on our website under Information For Parents. As always, we greatly appreciate the support of our families and preschool community.

Open House Events

We are so excited to welcome everyone tomorrow for our Open House Events.

Here are a Couple Reminders:

- One adult to attend with your child.
- No siblings can attend due to space constraints.
- Teachers will be there to welcome students.
- Bring your child's change of clothes.
- All paperwork and tuition must be turned in by 12 pm this day.

Schedule:

Thursday, August 29th	9:30 - 10:15 am	2 Day Classes
Thursday, August 29th	10:30 - 11:15 am	3 & 5 Day Classes

First Week Preschool Schedule

5-DAY CLASS (Tuesday, 9/3, Wednesday 9/4, Thursday 9/5 & Friday 9/6)
9am -NOON

3-Day Classes (Wednesday 9/4 & Friday 9/6)
9am-NOON

2-DAY CLASSES (Tuesday 9/3)

9-10:00 am 10:30- 11:30 am

MRS. L & MRS. BENZING'S CLASS - LOVE

LAST NAME BEGINS WITH

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MRS. NIENHUIS & MRS. WHEELOCK'S CLASS - JOY

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2-DAY CLASSES (Thursday 9/5) 9am - 11:30 am

Note: The 2-day classes end at 11:30 during September Beginning on October 1st, they will end at NOON.

Still Have Questions



Check Out Our Website

www.cmpcusa.org/preschool

 Refer to the Parent Handbook – Available on the website under Information for Parents.

 Or Just Ask Me
 410-997-8011 or preschool@cmpcusa.org

You can like us on Facebook

Christ Memorial Christian Preschool



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

LOGOS Program

<u>Dates:</u> Wednesday Night - October through March Program

Times: 5:30 - 8:00 pm

<u>Involves:</u> 4 Components - Recreation, Bible, Dinner/Family Time and Worship Skills

Cost: \$150 for the whole year per child!

Reason: It's Super FUN!

Contact: Ryan & Elyn Thomas at logos@cmpcusa.org