



Welcome to the **Point Pleasant Recreation Preschool!**

In the following slides, you will learn about our **Little Learners program** for children ages 3-4 and our **Kinderschool program** for ages 4-5.

Our qualified teachers take great pride in providing the best care, guidance and instruction through our play and theme based programs.

The **Little Learners** begin their school journey in a program that is age appropriate and fun! The curriculum and lesson plans are thoughtfully crafted to meet the needs of a curious and impressionable preschooler! Socialization is the foundation of our Little Learners program. Our students learn to share, make friends and follow a classroom routine. They explore our weekly themes and learn basic shapes, letters and numbers through playtime, art, music and games.

Our **Kinderschoolers** benefit from a program that expands on the previous year's learning experience. Teachers will create exciting, more complex and in-depth lesson plans. In Kinderschool, children begin to write letters and numbers, conduct science experiments and learn math concepts. They participate in events like the Holiday Show, the Science and Art Fair and Field Day. One of the main goals in Kinderschool is to prepare the students for Kindergarten the following year.



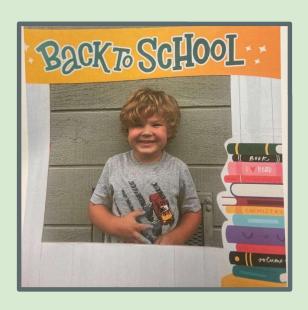




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to Preschool!



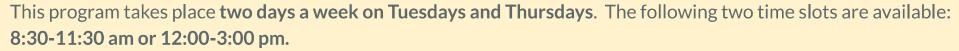




Little Learners Program

Our Little Learners program is for children ages 3-4.

This program is a wonderful introduction to a school environment.



Children entering this program must be 3 years old before October 1, 2024.

All children entering this program must be fully potty trained, and <u>cannot</u> wear pull-ups or diapers.

Each class has **two teachers** in a colorful classroom equipped with a plethora of educational materials and toys. The classroom holds 15 students per class.

Little Learners have access to the playground, gym, and all of the fun recreation equipment in the building.



Little Learners Curriculum



The objective of our **Little Learners** program is to provide a **safe, welcoming environment** where children are encouraged to **grow at their own pace** toward **social, emotional, language, cognitive, and physical development.**

We facilitate development by first helping your child **gain independence and socialization**: building self-confidence, fostering the ability to listen, communicate and engage with classmates and teachers in a comfortable, meaningful manner throughout the school day.

We are a **play based and theme based program** that allows for exploration in **creative arts, health & safety, and science & social studies.** Our teachers introduce **gross and fine motor** activities complementing each lesson, and guide the children as they progress at their own ability.

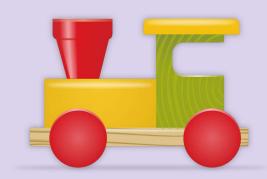
Your child will develop **reading readiness skills** when learning about colors, shapes, ABC recognition and rhyming sounds. Their **math readiness skills** involve number recognition, counting, classifying, patterns and opposites.

Little Learners Daily Routine

Our daily routine accommodates all types of learners, with a balance of movement and quiet pursuits presented. Through our lessons and activities, children learn to concentrate and persist at challenging tasks, to think logically, problem solve and follow directions in individual and group settings.

Daily Schedule:

- *Drop-Off
- *Table Time small toys, coloring, play-doh
- *Attendance and Job Choice
- *Flag Salute, Calendar, Weather
- *Music
- *Circle Time- theme of the week stories and fingerplays
- *Art
- *Snack
- *Free Play
- *Math or Reading Readiness Lesson
- *Outdoor or Gym Play
- *Goodbye/Dismissal



Each activity lasts approximately 15 minutes, except for Free Play which lasts about 40 minutes.

Little Learners Special Days & Events

In this program, the Little Learners will participate in **Show and Tell** once a month.



We celebrate birthdays with a special song, birthday crown and a treat to share with the class.

On holidays, we have class parties with festive food and fun!

Two to three times a year, we invite parents to watch and listen to songs and fingerplays we have learned.

Special visitors may include musical guests, farmers, firemen, dentists and the tooth fairy.

Little Learners take part in our **egg hatching** projects - either chicks or ducklings - right in their own classroom!

We offer Scholastic book drives that help to build your child's home library and love for reading.

Kinderschool Program



Our Kinderschool program is for children ages 4-5 years old.

There is one 2 day/week option for this program: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:30 am-2:00 pm.

There are two 3-day/week classrooms available for this program: MWF 8:45 am -2:15 pm.

Children entering this program must be 4 years old before October 1, 2024.

There are **two teachers** per classroom for each class. The number of children per class is between 15-18 students.

The Kinderschool students will also have access to the **playground**, **gym**, and all of the fun **recreation equipment** in the building.

Kinderschool Curriculum



The objective of our **Kinderschool program** is to provide a **safe, welcoming environment** where children are encouraged to **grow at their own pace** toward **social, emotional, language, cognitive, and physical development.**

We facilitate development by first helping your child **gain independence and socialization**: building self-confidence, fostering the ability to listen, communicate and engage with classmates and teachers in a comfortable, meaningful manner throughout the school day.

We are a **play based and theme based program** that allows for exploration in **creative arts, health** and safety, and science and social studies. Our teachers introduce gross and fine motor activities complementing each lesson and guide the children as they progress at their own ability.

Reading readiness skills are expanded from colors and shapes to letters introduced weekly and activities planned to enhance recognition, letter/sound relationships and rhyme. **Math readiness skills** move from number recognition and counting to important concepts such as opposites, patterns and measurement.

One of the main goals in Kinderschool is to fully **prepare your child for Kindergarten** on all levels.

Kinderschool Daily Routine

Our daily routine accommodates all types of learners, with a balance of movement and quiet pursuits presented. Through our lessons and activities, children learn to concentrate & persist at challenging tasks, to think logically, problem solve & follow directions in individual & group settings.

Daily Routine:

- *Table Time (small toys, coloring, play-dough)
- *Attendance, Flag Salute, Job Choice, Calendar, Weather
- *Music
- *Circle Time (Theme of the day, stories, fingerplays)
- *Art
- *Lunch
- *Free Play
- *Letter of the Week Activity
- *Gym or Outdoor Play
- *Snack
- *Math Activity
- *Outdoor Play
- *Goodbye/Dismissal



Each activity lasts approximately 20 minutes with the exception of Free Play which lasts approximately 40 minutes.

Kinderschool Special Days & Events

Children in the Kinderschool program will enjoy all of the same extracurriculars as the Little Learners program <u>PLUS</u> will participate in:

- *Holiday Show
- *Grandparent or Special Friend Day
- *Science & Art Fair
- *Mother's Day Picnic
- *Field Day
- *Graduation



Table Time

Table time signals the start of our day! The children join at the tables to socialize with their classmates and participate in a fun morning activity such as building with blocks or playing with shaving cream or play dough.





Helper Jobs

After attendance, the children choose which helper job they would like for the day. Helper jobs include flag holder, calendar helper, weather helper, song leader, art & snack helpers, clean-up inspector, line leader, door holder and caboose. The children love the sense of accomplishment they feel after completing their chosen jobs! Helper jobs reinforces the concept of community in the classroom.



Circle Time

Just after music, where we sing and dance to fun theme-related songs, we expand upon our weekly theme with circle time. In circle time, we read stories, have class discussions, encourage the children to share their own insight with the class, conduct class interviews and play fun games to reinforce newly taught themes and concepts.







Art

Art is a fun and creative way to further expand upon our weekly theme. We use all sorts of materials such as markers, yarn, watercolors, beads and recycled materials to create daily projects. We like to include process art into our lesson plans. Process art is child-directed, choice-driven and encourages individuality among the students.



Learning Through Play!

After snack or lunch, the students have free play (or station play). At this time, they choose what they would like to play and with whom. This is a wonderful way to learn socialization and sharing while making new friends. Freely navigating through the classroom's large selection of toys encourages independence and promotes good decision making skills.











Lessons & Games

Letter lessons, number lessons, reading readiness and math concepts are taught in appealing ways. Games, puzzles, flannel board manipulatives and tangible counters are just some of the many tools we use to incorporate fun and play into learning.



Outdoor Play

Our students utilize the two playgrounds, tennis courts and basketball courts when the weather permits. The children enjoy the slides and climbing equipment as well as playing with sidewalk chalk, hula hoops and playground balls. We use the school property for learning activities like nature walks and seasonally themed scavenger hunts.



Special Guests

Musical guests like Annie B. come to entertain the children with fun, seasonal songs.



The local firemen visit during Fire Safety week to inform our students about fire safety.





Holiday Show

Our annual Kinderschool Holiday Show is always a favorite for students and their families! The students love to showcase the songs they have learned and the festive artwork they have created. It is something the teachers look forward to as well!



Hatching Chicks!



Our egg-hatching projects are exciting for everyone involved. There is such joy in the classroom when the hatchlings emerge! We also do butterfly hatching kits and set the butterflies free on the playground.

Science & Art Fair

Our Kinderschool students shine at the Science & Art Fair! Their art pieces and science experiments are on display and our gymnasium transforms into an interactive art gallery and science lab.



Colorful Classrooms

Our classrooms are bright, energetic and inspired by the students themselves. Our bulletin boards change with the seasons, and the artwork is done by the children. They love to see their artwork on display!



Assessments & Teacher Communication

Assessment of children is continuous. Teachers maintain a **portfolio** containing various projects that illustrate your child's progress.

Progress reports are sent home in January and again in June outlining the skills that have been mastered and those needing reinforcement.

We welcome communication with parents! Conferences are scheduled as needed.

Monthly **calendars and newsletters** are sent home to inform parents of weekly themes and special days.

The **Class Dojo App** is used to share important information, photos and updates.

Preschool Registration 2024-2025

Preschool registration for the 2024-2025 school year will be held <u>online</u> via your Community Pass Account on **Thursday**, **March 14**, **2024**:

- * <u>10:00 am</u> for **Point Pleasant Borough residents** with a child currently enrolled in our preschool program
- *1:00 pm for **new students** who live in Point Pleasant Boro
- *Friday, April 19th at 10:00 am for all non-resident students

Tuition

Little Learners

<u>TU/TH 8:30-11:30 am OR 12:00-3:00 pm</u> - \$1200/year

Kinderschool

MWF 8:45 am -2:15 pm — \$3200/year

TU/TH 8:30 am- 2:00 pm — \$2100/year

- 10 monthly payments, due at the first of each month
- Ist payment is due upon registration in March
- The 2nd-10th payments will be from June-February
- Payments can be made online through your Community Pass account

Questions? ????

*If you need assistance prior to or during **registration**, please call our office at (732)892-5813.

*If you have questions about our Preschool programs, please email: preschool@ptboro.com

*If you have questions about tuition or billing, please contact Sheri: ssilversmith@ptboro.com

Thank you for taking the time to watch our Information Slideshow and for your interest in our Preschool programs!

We look forward to a great 2024-2025 school year!