## ~WELCOME TO THE CLIMBER'S ROOM~

Please sign you child/children in on the pink sign in sheet located outside the climber's classroom. You should also place your child's coat, backpack or any other belongings staying at school in their locker located in the hallway. It is also a good time to share any information with the classroom teachers that may affect the child's day. Such information may include- someone new is picking the child up that day, child is getting picked up early, child is not feeling well, child didn't sleep well, and/or child will need medicine.

All climbers are expected to be mostly potty trained. They should come to school wearing underwear; we know that they will still have a few accidents. They should be able to tell the teacher that they need to use the bathroom and be mostly independent in doing so. They go at scheduled times twice in the morning and twice in the afternoon and after lunch. They are also permitted to go as needed throughout the day. An adult supervises both the girls and boys bathrooms

We do have a classroom schedule that we do our best to follow everyday. We have an craft time, Jesus time, music time, gross and fine motor skills time. We also work to have the children follow directions, sharing, taking turns, waiting and walking in line, hand washing, sitting at the table on their bottoms, using their words instead of actions, keeping their hands to themselves, independent play, parallel play and group play.

Below is the general schedule that we follow-

9:00-9:20 Free play, puzzles, play dough... and get information from parents

9:20-9:30 Clean up room

9:30-9:40 Bathroom

9:40-10:20 Gross motor in kindergym or outside

10:20-10:40 Snack

10:40-11:00 Craft

11:00-11:15 Bathroom

11:15-11:35 Jesus time

11:35-11:50 Free play

11:50-12:00 Clean up

12:00-12:45 Lunch

12:45-1:00 Bathroom

1:00-3:15 Naps

3:15-3:30 Snack

3:30-3:45 Bathroom

 $3:45-4:30\ Gross\ motor\ in\ kindergym\ or\ outside$ 

On extremely nice days we may spend more time outside and forego doing art. We will also adjust our schedule on days that we have fire drills, tornado drills, classroom parties, picture days, and fire truck visits.

Mrs. Faulkner, one of our preschool teachers, teaches music on Wednesday mornings for the Climber class. As your children move up through the program – into

preschool, they will have music for longer amounts of time and participate in music programs.

We have <u>snack</u> in the morning and afternoon. Snacks are parent provided. You will be asked to provide a snack once a month during an assigned week. Weeks are assigned alphabetically by the beginning of the families last name. For example: Families with the last name beginning with the letters A-G will bring in snack the first week of the month. It only needs to be enough to feed the class 2-3 times that week, not for the whole month. Reminders about who has snack will be emailed weekly. Please send a cup in each day with the child's name clearly written on it. It may be filled with something from home or empty and we will fill it with water. You may also bring in a special snack for the child's birthday (homemade or store bought). We will have holiday parties with sign up sheets for Halloween, Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter.

One of the most enjoyed times of the day is <u>craft time</u>, staff included ③. We work one on one with the children or in small groups. We work on having the children follow directions and fine motor skills. On days that we are using messy mediums we will do our best to protect your child's skin and clothing. Please let us know if your child has any allergies to things such as paints, play dough, or shaving cream.

During <u>Jesus time</u> we will talk about Jesus and His relationship to the particular lesson plan for the week. We will sing songs and read books that relate to that lesson plan. We also take song requests. We will also do some gross motor movement songs. We encourage the children to tell us about what they did the night before, what they had for dinner... we will also talk about events coming up such as fire truck visits, classroom parties, birthdays... We work on taking turns talking, keeping our hands to ourselves, and increasing attention spans.

<u>Lunches</u> are to be brought in gallon size, sealable plastic bags or see through, plastic containers (large enough to hold all of their food) with your child's name written on them. They should be put in the classroom refrigerator upon entering the classroom in the morning. Please label all items – spoons, plastic containers and cups. It helps eliminate some confusion during lunchtime. It also helps assure that the items will be returned to you. We do have a microwave to heat up food items.

A cot, sheet, and blanket are provided for <u>naps</u>. If there are other things your child needs to help them fall asleep you may bring them from home. Please label all nap items. We will put a pull-up on for naps at the parent's request. For staffing reasons all nappers are woken up by 3:15 each day.

If you have any questions please see Mrs. Woodworth, Ms. Hobbs or myself.

Thank you - Rachel Stults - Director