



June 2025

Parents,

On Thursday, September 4th you and your child will be invited to attend school during a scheduled time, which is listed below. During your visit, we hope to allow parents of new students to meet and get to know one another, allow the children to visit the classroom for a fun activity, get to know their teachers and begin building trusting relationships between home and school.

Schedule of Times

P1 Class (Miss Kelly): 9:00-9:45 am

P2 Class (Miss Aimee): 10:00-10:45 am

Here is what you can expect during your visit. You and your child should arrive at your scheduled time and enter through the front doors where you will be greeted by teachers. The teacher will escort the children to their classroom for a short activity and end with a story. Parents will enjoy some refreshments in the lobby and have the opportunity to meet fellow new parents and ask teachers any questions you may have. After the class has been read a story, parents will join the children in the classrooms and dismiss from there.

This visit is just the first step in creating a trusting relationship with your student. If there are tears during your visit will seek your assistance if needed. Allowing your child to work through this short time frame, with you joining us at the end, will help to build the trust that “mommy/daddy will come back.” This gives a clear frame of reference for the first days of school. Every child is different and we are happy to work with each family to set you up for success.

If you have concerns regarding your child’s transition to school please make sure to connect with the school or your child’s teacher **before** the visitation day so we have time to formulate a plan for success.

Thank you!

Visitation Day Tips for Success:

Children thrive on routine and knowing what to expect. If this is your child's first time away from you, please consider practicing the tips below so your child has a frame of reference to draw from.

- Preset your child for the day. Tell them what to expect and that you will see them after storytime.
- Your child will mirror your emotions. If you are anxious or worried, your child will be anxious or worried. They will look to you as their sounding board since they do not have a frame of reference to draw from.
- Make sure to arrive on time so your child is able to participate with the group.
- This is the perfect time to take your pictures outside by the sign. The first day of school for everyone can be chaotic and photos can prolong the process which causes many children to struggle with saying goodbye.
- Come up with a goodbye routine, a kiss and a hug for example, and stick to it. Your child will then know what to expect even if they are sad or have some tears, it is ok. We are here to help.
- Start reading books about school and separation. Llama Llama Misses Mama and The Kissing Hand are great books to start with.
- Practice getting ready for school; pack a bag, choose clothes and leave at a specific time.