## Sea Turtle Class Handbook



Dear Families,

Welcome to the Sea Turtle Class. We are excited to begin a new year with new and returning students. We will be spending the first few weeks getting to know the routine, expectations and each other.

## <u>Our Focus:</u>

The classroom will be set up to maximize your child's learning experience through play, selfexploration, teacher guided exploration, stories, music, movement, circle time, group projects, activities, and games.

All these will help your child develop his or her skills in areas such as literacy, problem solving, language, math, science, art, socio-emotional, fine motor and gross motor. They will also help your child learn self-help skills, listening comprehension and following directions.

## <u>Classroom Setup:</u>

I have created an environment that encourages inclusivity of all children and will help them thrive. We share the classroom with the school aged after school program so our set up can and will change through the school year to accommodate any needs that arise. Each child will have a cubby to keep an extra change of clothes and a stuffed animal to snuggle with if they need a little extra comfort.

Each child will also have a coat hook to hang coats and an art file where they can put their creations. Please check the art file regularly because they get full fast.

## <u>Classroom Necessities:</u>

Everything your child needs is going to be available in the classroom but for personal comfort they may bring

- 1. A change of clothes in case they get wet or get too hot/cold.
- 2. 1 (one) stuffed animal or other comfort item.
- 3. Rain boots
- 4. Water Bottle

We ask that any other toys from home <u>stay home</u>. They can become a distraction and get lost or broken. Back Packs are also discouraged due to limited space.

Every day we will be posting the activities for the day on the parent board. We will also be posting upcoming events such as field trips. Events will also be communicated via email and in parent mailboxes. Our class email is <u>seaturtlesandotters@icloud.com</u>. You may email with questions, concerns or just to share something with us. If your concern is in need of an immediate response, please call the school or speak to us in person, as we don't always have time to check the emails every day.

We can't wait to share the school year with you all.

Teachers Michelle & Dimitri