

Kindergarten Tip Sheet

2023 - 2024

Your child is about to embark on the incredible journey of kindergarten. Kindergarten is a year of many academic and social accomplishments for your child, and we spend great amounts of time playing as we learn. Your child **will wear a school uniform** for the first time. Please refer to the Parent Handbook for what to purchase and wear to school and P.E. classes (information may also be found on the back of this page).

Kindergarten Will Need

- Complete set of labeled season-appropriate clothes (including socks, underwear, pants, and a shirt) in a labeled Ziploc bag
- Book bag, one that is able to hold 9X12 folders (no wheels, please)
- Refillable water bottle
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 box of baby wipes
- Blanket for rest time
- 3 (1.5 inches) white three-ring binders (with a clear front pocket for cover insert)
- 1 pack of page protectors, medium weight
- \$20 gift card for Walgreens. This is for the printing of photos used in your child's assessment portfolio.
- 1 box gallon Ziploc bags (lowest count)
- 1 box sandwich or quart-sized Ziploc bags (lowest count)

Please bring the aforementioned items to school on the Parent Intake Conference Day in August. Appointments will be made on August 17th and 18th. Having these items taken care of before the FIRST DAY of school (August 21) will allow you to focus on your child (not the belongings) on that day.

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Things to Think about:

- Expect some anxiety on the first days and even weeks of school; this is normal.
- Remember a quick goodbye is usually best; plan a routine to use with your child.
- Send your child in **closed-toed shoes** and socks for safety reasons.
- Children may **not** enter the building with food, candy, sippy cups, or drinks.
- Please **label** all of your child's belongings.
- Apply sunscreen/insect repellent prior to entering the building each day.
- Please refrain from bringing toys and other items to school.
- Check your child's communication folder in the book bag each day for important information. Return the folder to school each morning. Please place all written communication for the staff in the appropriate space in the folder.

Uniform Information

Addlestone has approved, branded uniform pieces available for purchase at Lands End. Alternately, parents may purchase navy uniform tops and khaki bottoms from other sources but must purchase an Addlestone-approved logo patch from the school to adhere to each uniform top or ask the office about private embroidery including all sweaters, sweatshirts, cardigans, and hoodies.

For uniform items purchased at alternate sources, the following guidelines must be adhered to:

- A. Plain, flat front / pleated khaki pants or shorts (no cargo pockets).
(Please note that shorts must be knee-length--at or below the top of the knee cap.)
- B. Plain, straight, or pleated khaki skirts. (The skirt may be knee-length,)
- C. Tops will consist of long or short sleeve, plain, solid navy polo shirts. No sleeveless tops are allowed. All tops must have an approved Addlestone logo on them.
- D. All athletic sneakers are acceptable. Students must wear shoes with closed toe and closed heel. NO CROCS or CLOGS will be allowed. Socks and/or tights are required. Leggings are permitted under skirts but are not permitted as pants.
- E. As weather permits, students will wear plain, navy crewneck sweaters or sweatshirts. Plain, navy cardigan sweaters are acceptable. Plain, navy, hooded sweatshirt jackets with zippers are also permitted. All sweatshirts, sweaters, and cardigans must have an approved Addlestone logo on them.
- F. Please note that students may wear any type of winter coat/jacket outside on the playground, but not inside the school building.

ALL PE uniforms (shirts, shorts, and sweatpants) must be purchased at Lands End Uniforms. Students participate in PE twice a week.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. We look forward to a wonderful year with your child.

See you in August!