

September Newsletter

Room 202



Welcome

Hello! I am so excited to welcome your child into our classroom this year. My name is Grey Dahlberg and I am looking forward to meeting you at the home visit and learning about your family!

Please join us for Preschool Preview Night on September 9th, from 5:45-6:30. You and your child will get acquainted with our classroom and do a fun scavenger hunt to find things around our room. Preschool Preview Night is also a wonderful opportunity to meet the other children in class. This year will be filled with learning, joy and discovery!

Goals for Room 202

- Children will feel safe and nurtured
- Children will develop self-awareness
- Children will learn to ask questions
- Children will show respect and empathy for their classmates
 - Children will follow our classroom routines
- Children will experience joyful and meaningful play

Routine

Each day your child will have a check-in routine. First, they will hang their Lake Harriet United Methodist Preschool bag on their assigned hook, wash hands, and check-in at the picture chart. We will start practicing this routine on the first day of school. Please make sure your child brings their LHUMP bag to school every day. I will send home materials and their winter gear in this bag. I will be bringing you this bag when I come for your home visit.

At drop off and pick up, parents/caregivers will need to scan a QR code to check your child in and out of school. Please remember to bring your phone into school to do this.

Learning Themes

Throughout the year, we will be learning about different themes. In September, we will start with “All About Me”, which includes learning about ourselves, our families, and friends. We will also explore fall as the season starts to change. Every few weeks, activities and materials will change to reflect the new learning theme. Within the monthly themes, we will learn using the seven core content areas. The learning core content areas are: Language, Art, Math, Science, Technology, Sensory, and Health & Safety. I will post lesson plans on Brightwheel weekly so you can see what your children will be doing the following week.

Show and Tell

Starting in October, we will have show and tell on the first Wednesday of every month. Please help your child find something they would like to share with the class; such as a toy, book, or item from nature, and send it with them in their Lake Harriet UM Preschool bag.

Star of the Week

Beginning in January, we will have a Star of the Week. Your child will be assigned a certain week to bring in an "All about Me" poster. They will be responsible for describing what is on their poster on Tuesday (of their assigned week) at circle time. More information about this fun activity will be described in the December Newsletter!

Birthdays

We will be celebrating birthdays and half birthdays for children born in the summer! Please feel free to bring in a special snack for the class on your child's birthday. We also welcome you to come into school and read the class your child's favorite book!

Observation and Assessment

Throughout the year I will be continually observing your child in preparation for fall and spring conferences. Please let me know if there is anything specific you would like me to watch for.

As the year progresses, you will learn more details of activities and events in our classroom. Parents are welcome at any time. I know we will have a wonderful year together and I can't wait to share many exciting learning experiences with your child!

I look forward to seeing you at home visits and hope to see you all at the Preschool Preview Night on Monday, September 9th, from 5:45-6:30! The first day of school is Tuesday, September 10th!

If you ever have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. My preschool email is gdahlberg@lakeharrietumpreschool.org