

# WELCOME

## Dear Families,

Hello and welcome to kindergarten! My name is Kelly McDonnell, and I am thrilled to be your child's teacher this year. It will be an exciting year full of learning and fun!

I believe kindergarten is a time for children to explore their interests, learn new skills, and make new friends. I am looking forward to getting to know your child and working with you to make this year unforgettable and filled with growth and success.

I cannot wait to meet you and your child at our **Kindergarten Meet & Greet** on **Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>** at **11:30am** in our **Parkville Classroom, Room 22!** If possible, please bring the items on the suggested kindergarten supply list (see attached) to the Meet & Greet so that everything will be ready for the **first day of school on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**.

In addition to the general supply list, I would also love for each student to have the following items, as they will be very helpful to our classroom!

- 1 6-quart plastic shoe box for locker storage
- 1 container of Play-Doh, any color
- 1 additional pack of large glue sticks
- 1 package of baby wipes
- 1 bottle of pump hand soap
- Please send \$8.00, cash or check, for your child's subscription to *Scholastic News* magazines (payable to Scholastic, Inc.)



Below are a few additional key notes to consider for this year:

**Lunch and Snack:** Please send in a healthy snack and water bottle every day! If your child is bringing lunch from home, please **separate** and label the snack, so that they know what to eat at snack and lunch time.

**Extra Clothing:** Please send in an extra set of clothing, including one shirt, one pair of pants, one pair of shorts, one pair of socks, and one pair of underwear. Please place inside of the plastic shoebox from the additional supply list and label with your child's name.

**Backpack:** Your backpack should be large enough to fit a folder and a snack. Please label your child's backpack and lunchbox.

**Smock:** Your child will need a smock for art labeled with their name. An oversized t-shirt works great!

I appreciate your cooperation! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [kellymcdonnell@greatneck.k12.ny.us](mailto:kellymcdonnell@greatneck.k12.ny.us). I know we will all have a terrific year together!

**Sincerely,**  
*Ms. McDonnell*

# Welcome to Kindergarten!

2023-2024

The following are suggested supplies you may wish to bring with you to school in September:

*{If purchasing school supplies places a hardship on your family, supplies will be provided.}*

**\*Welcome Letters and Teacher-specific Supply Lists with some additional requested items can be found linked to each teacher's name on the Parkville Website: <https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/PV>.**

- 1 standard-sized elementary **backpack** (no wheels please)
- 1 hard **plastic pencil box** to store supplies in school  
(suggested size, 8" x 5", no larger than 9" x 6")
- 1 adult-sized t-shirt to use as a **smock** for art
- 1 **change of clothes** (including underwear & socks) in a labeled Ziploc bag ~ please label each clothing item
- 1 box of **thick and** 1 box of **thin** Crayola washable **markers** (not scented please, 10 count)
- 1 box of long Crayola **colored pencils**, sharpened **and** 1 box of Crayola **crayons** (24 count)
- 1 multi-pack each of small and large **glue sticks and** 1 bottle of **Elmer's school glue**
- 1 5" safety **scissor**, blunt (*Fiskars* brand, if possible)
- 1 box of pre-sharpened #2 **pencils** with erasers (12 count, *Ticonderoga* if possible)
- 6-12 low-odor, **thin, black dry erase markers** (*Expo* brand)
- 8 black **felt-tipped pens** (*PaperMate Flair*, if possible)
- 2 **plastic** (not plastic coated) **folders** with inside bottom pockets
- 2 **plastic pocket folders with 3-hole fasteners** inside, **one blue and one red**
- 1 **Primary Journal Creative Story Tablet** (Mead brand, K - 2, picture space on top/primary lines below)
- 1 on/over the ear adjustable band **headphones** (no earbuds, please; remove from packaging and label and place in a labeled Ziploc bag)
- 1 box of **tissues and** 1 package of **baby wipes**



In addition, a **donation** of any of the following items would be greatly appreciated: a box of snack size, sandwich or quart size, or 1 or 2 gallon **Ziploc baggies**; a roll of **paper towels**; a box of **plastic spoons or forks**; a box of **clear sheet protectors**; white **paper plates**, any size, non-coated, please (*Chinet* brand, if possible)

We wish you a wonderful rest of the summer! We look forward to meeting you soon!



Love,

Parkville's Kindergarten Teachers

*\*If ordering online, you will be prompted to add the headphones, a required item, at checkout.*