

"The Magical Mystery Tour"

Welcome to Kindergarten Parent Orientation

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*This presentation will be posted
on the Beal school website
tomorrow morning

“Your Mother Should Know” Agenda for this evening

- Medical information from Nurse Jill Wensky
- A day in the life of a FDK student
- Beal visiting day information
- First Days/Weeks of School for students
- First Days/Weeks of School for parents
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Communicating with the school
- Sing Along
- Tuition
- Snack and Lunch
- Questions and Answers

"Dr. Robert"

Information from Nurse Jill Wensky

***Please make sure your child's immunization records are up to date and on file with Jill Wensky, our school nurse.

Kindergarten students are not permitted to begin attending school until the school has these records.

"A Day In the Life"



"Come Together" First Day Visit Tuesday, September 1st

Full Day Kindergarten

- Last names A-L 11:15-11:45 a.m.
- Last names M-Z 12:15-12:45 p.m.

*There will be no transportation on the visit day

Kindergarten Curriculum Night is on **Tuesday, October 4th**.
Information and times will be posted soon.

“Eight Days A Week” First Days/Weeks of School:

4 intentions:

1. create a climate of warmth and safety
2. teach the schedules and expectations
3. introduce the physical environment
4. Establish expectations of the ways we will learn together

= Routines



“All You Need Is Love” First Days/Weeks of School for Parents:

- Help your child be ready for school each day
- Check backpacks daily
- Encourage conversations about school, but take the lead from your child
- Communicate with the teacher
- Read with your child
- Become involved by volunteering
- Ask lots of questions

"Drive My Car"

- **Bus Information**
 - Registration in Parent Portal
 - Expectations
- **Parent drop-off: After 8:45 and before 9:15**
 - Please park in the lower parking lot and walk your child to the door beside the greenhouse, holding their hand and using the crosswalk
- **Parent pick-up: 3:30-3:45**
 - Please park your car in a line beginning in the lower parking lot and wrap down Haskell Street and onto Wesleyan Street
- **If coming in after 9:15 or are late for pick-up, please enter through the front of the building**

“Any Time at All” communicating with the school

- Child-safe line and school office
(508) 841-8860
- Contacting your child’s teacher via email
- Email notices via Listserv/Power Announcement
- Communication folders
- Update PowerSchool in the Parent Portal on SPS website



“Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da” Sing Along at Beal

- **Sing Along**
 - Thursdays 10:50-11:30 p.m.
 - Thursdays 2:40-3:20 p.m.
 - **We no longer dismiss students from afternoon Sing Along
- **Community Sing Along and Birthday celebrations**
- **Broadcast on SELCO 29 and 329- Please check local listings and the SELCO website**

"Taxman" Tuition

- Tuition Agreement must be returned to Beal School prior to the first day of school
- Payments are due on the 1st of each month, September through May (9 installments)
- Checks should be payable to Shrewsbury Public Schools, please write 'Kindergarten Tuition' on the memo line
- Checks should be sent/ hand delivered by parent to Beal School (please do not send in child's backpack)
- Financial aid agreements- sliding scale

"Strawberry Fields Forever"

Lunch and Snack

Lunch

- Cost \$3.25 for lunch/ 65 cents for beverage
- Lunch tickets can be purchased through Food Services at SHS
- Allergy tables

Snack

- Home snack- keep simple and healthy
- School snack- \$144 for the year

"With A Little Help From My Friends" PTO Information

PTO Co-Presidents:

Jen Strangie (jstrangie@townisp.com)

Website:

www.bealpto.org

• Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Beal-Early-Childhood-Center-PTO/129600707149081?ref=hl>

• Opportunities to Volunteer:

- School Council
- Classroom volunteers
- School volunteers



website for recommended rest mats:

www.matindustriesinc.com/Kid-Napper-Restmat-KN-100.htm

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**“Ask Me Why”
Questions and Answers:**



Have a great year!!!